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Heaven

Acts 10:9-10

On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour: 10 And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance,

Principle 1:

The Personal Revelation
of an Open Heaven

Trance: to be placed outside one's normal state. It is a state where the natural senses become less dominant while spiritual perception becomes heightened

Acts 10:11

And saw heaven
opened, and a certain
vessel descending
unto him

Acts 10:13

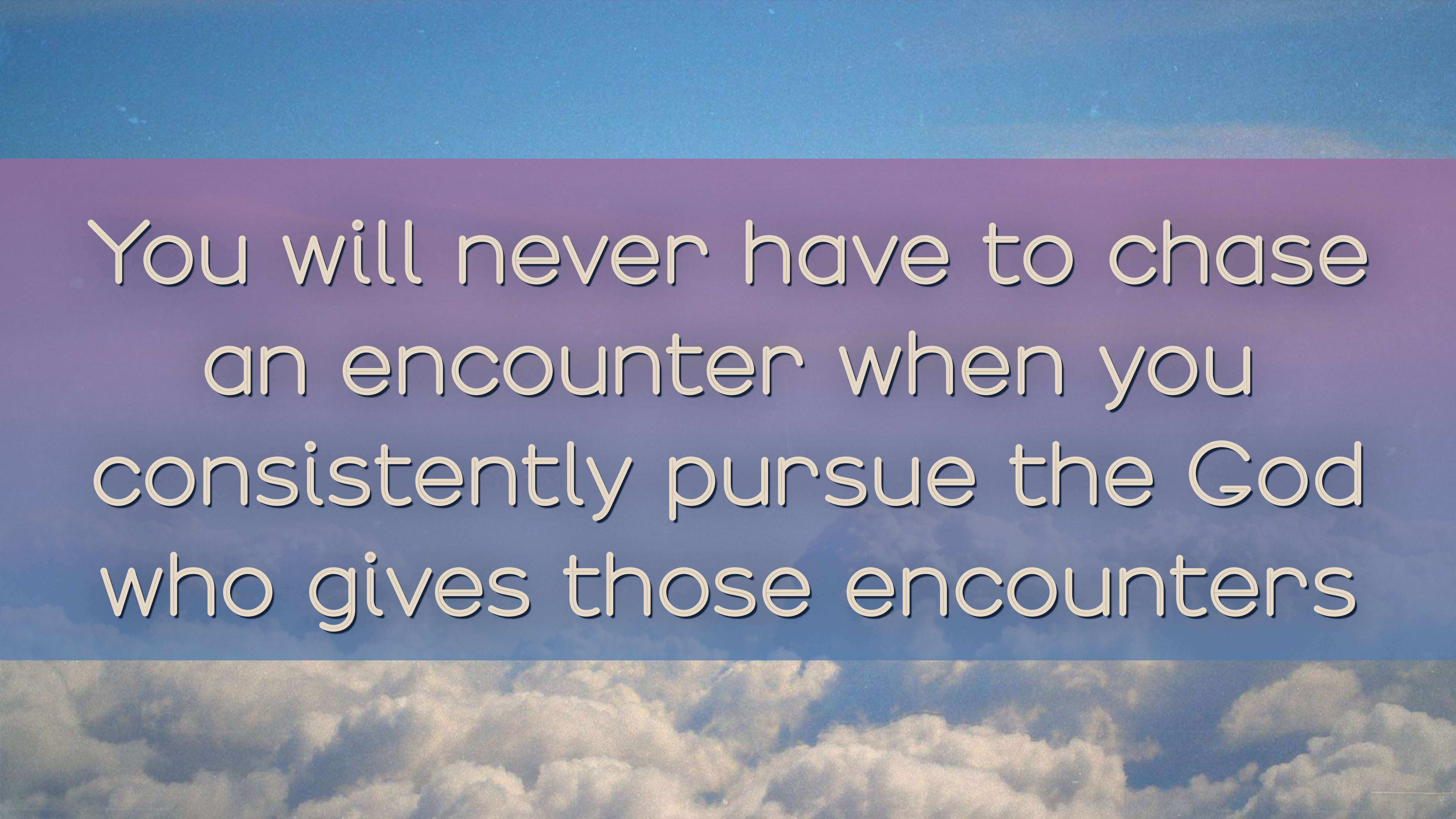
And there came a
voice to him, Rise,
Peter; kill, and eat

Acts 10:14

But Peter said, Not so,
Lord; for I have never
eaten any thing that is
common or unclean.

Acts 10:9

On the morrow, as they went
on their journey, and drew nigh
unto the city, Peter went up
upon the housetop to pray
about the sixth hour



You will never have to chase
an encounter when you
consistently pursue the God
who gives those encounters

James 4:8

Draw nigh to God,
and he will draw
nigh to you.

Ecclesiastes 5:3

For a dream cometh through
the multitude of business; and
a fool's voice [is known] by
multitude of words.

Acts 2:17

And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

Romans 8:16

The /pirit itself
beareth witness with
our spirit, that we are
the children of God:

1 John 4:1

Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

Psalms 119:105

Thy word [is] a lamp
unto my feet, and a
light unto my path

Acts 10:11-13

And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:

Acts 10:11-13

12 Wherein were all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air. 13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.

Principle 2:

The Personal Responsibility
of an Open Heaven



God often uses natural
things to reveal
supernatural truths.

Prejudice is not always hatred.
Sometimes prejudice is simply
seeing someone differently
than God sees them

Acts 10:28

And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation

Acts 10:28

...but God hath shewed me
that I should not call any
man common or unclean.

James 2:1-4

My brethren, have not the
faith of our Lord Jesus
Christ, [the Lord] of glory,
with respect of persons.

John 4:3-4, 7

He left Judaea, and departed again into Galilee. 4 And he must needs go through samaria. ... 7

There cometh a woman of samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

Principle 3:

The Universal Reach
of an Open Heaven

Acts 10:11

And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:

Isaiah 11:12

And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth

Jeremiah 49:36

And upon Elam will I
bring the four winds
from the four quarters
of heaven...."

Acts 10:12-15

Wherein were all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air. 13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.

Acts 10:12-15

14 But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean. 15 And the voice [spake] unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, [that] call not thou common.

Genesis 12:3

And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed

Ephesians 2:14-16

For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition [between us]; 15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, [even] the law of commandments [contained] in ordinances;

Ephesians 2:14-16

for to make in himself of twain one
new man, [so] making peace; 16

And that he might reconcile both
unto God in one body by the cross,
having slain the enmity thereby:

Ephesians 5:27

That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Revelation 5:9

And they sung a new song, saying,
Thou art worthy to take the book, and
to open the seals thereof: for thou
wast slain, and hast redeemed us to
God by thy blood out of every kindred,
and tongue, and people, and nation;

Acts 10:34-36

Then Peter opened [his] mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: 35 But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. 36 The word which [God] sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:)

Acts 10:44-46

... 44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. 45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. 46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,

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