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Keeping Yourself Oriented in a Disorienting World

Exodus 33,34 and John 13,14

Obedience and Intimacy with God

Eternal Life is a gift that does not, cannot, require our merit.

As a child of God, intimacy with Him does require our obedience.

Israel: Delivered, as a gift of God.

Israel: Missed out on intimate fellowship due to disobedience.

We: Delivered, as a gift of God.

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Israel's Salvation

Exodus 12:23 "For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to come in to your houses to smite you.

Exodus 14:13 But Moses said to the people, "Do not fear! Stand by and see the salvation of the LORD which He will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you have seen today, you will never see them again forever.

14 "The LORD will fight for you while you keep silent."

Our Salvation

John 5:24 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.

"has" present tense "eternal life"

"has passed" perfect tense "out of death into life"

Israel's Walk with God

Exodus 25:8 "Let them construct a sanctuary for Me, that I may dwell among them.

Exodus 29:45 "I will dwell among the sons of Israel and will be their God.

Israel's Sin

Exodus 32:8 "They have quickly turned aside from the way which I commanded them. They have made for themselves a molten calf, and have worshiped it and have sacrificed to it and said, 'This is your god, O Israel, who brought you up from the land of Egypt!'"

Our Walk with God

John 13:34 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.

35 "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

Biblical agape love, doing for someone what is best for them, requires healthy doses of kindness, unselfishness, servanthood, and humility.

John 14:1 “Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me.

2 “In My Father’s house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you.

John 14:21 “He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him.”

22 Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, “Lord, what then has happened that You are going to disclose Yourself to us and not to the world?”

23 Jesus answered and said to him, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him.

“abode” Gr *mone*’ dwelling place

The only two occurrences of this word in NT, verses 2 and 23

The Holy Spirit is a gift, given to all believers. However, there is a level of intimacy with the Father and the Son that depends upon our obedience, particularly our obedience to the command to love one another.

Charles Spurgeon said, 'Little faith will take your soul to heaven, but great faith will bring heaven to your soul.'

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Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15

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