WHO GOD CHOOSES TO BE GREAT

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Deuteronomy 28:1

Seeing someone becoming great amongst the people in this world is inspirational. We admire the sight of people who have become highly accomplished or sit in the seat of power. We hold these people in high esteem.

Some would say being highly talented is the criteria for becoming great. Others would say being skilled is the criteria for becoming great. Education, skill, talent, hard work, good looks and networking has **NOTHING** to do with being great in God's Kingdom.

The attributes listed above is what the world promotes and looks for. However, in God's Kingdom there is only **ONE** attribute that God looks for when he chooses to make a person great...**OBEDIENCE**!

OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S LAWS ATTRACTS THE BLESSING!

When God makes you great in His Kingdom He puts you on display for the world to see. Deuteronomy 28:1 says, "You must completely obey the Lord your God, and you must carefully follow all his commands I am giving you today. Then the Lord your God will make you greater than any other nation on earth." NCV.

In the King James version, the word greater is translated as "HIGH ABOVE," which means SUPREME. When God sees that you have sown the seed of obedience to comply with all of His commands He will make you supreme over every nation and heathen.

This is highly encouraging because it provides an opportunity for everyone and anyone who choose to obey God to live a blessed and favorable life. You have a chance to live life beyond the thoughts of your imagination.

It does not matter where you came from, what you didn't have or who don't know. If you are willing to obey the Lord and His Kingdom laws you will live a life of dominion, status and privilege. It's not your job to understand how it will happen. It is your job to know that it will happen if you commit yourself to being obedient.

STUDY, STUDY, STUDY

You cannot be obedient to something you do not know about. It is required that you prioritize studying the Kingdom of God and His righteousness day and night. As Kingdom citizens this is our work unto the Lord. We are suppose to study, learn and apply God's word to our lives daily.

Joshua 1:8 says, "Always remember what is written in the Book of the Teachings. Study it day and night to be sure to obey everything that is written there. If you do this, you will be wise and successful in everything." NCV

As the scripture instructs, we should start our day with studying righteousness and ending our day with studying righteousness. To be a rightly aligned worker in the Kingdom of God our days should be structured like this.

EARLY MORNING: Study the word.

MID MORNING: Earn a living.

AFTERNOON: Go about your daily activities.

EVENING: Be with your family.

NIGHT: Study the word.

This formula on how we spend our time and days will ensure we are successful in everything we do as Joshua 1:8 tells us.

Obedience is better than sacrifice. (1st Samuel 15:22) Sacrifice reveals the passion to love. Obedience reveals the passion to **SUBMIT**. God wants your submission first, your love second. People who submit to God and His ways will be the ones He will make great.

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