## WHY DOES THE KINGDOM OF GOD REQUIRE INTENSE STUDYING?

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Psalm 119:10-12

The Kingdom of God is a royal country. It takes a lifetime to learn the ways, statues, laws, traditions and customs of any country in the world. The Kingdom of God is no different. However, this is **NOT** the primary reason why studying the Kingdom of God is required.

The primary reason why the Kingdom requires intense studying is so you can have its **CULTURE** in your **HEART**. Culture is a **LEARNED** behavior that creates second nature habits. When you have adopted culture it is a behavior that requires no thinking, just **REACTION**.

Culture follows you everywhere. It comes out whether you like it or not. It influences everything you do in your life. It is the core of your daily living habits.

Psalms 119:10-12 says, "I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. Praise be to you, Lord; teach me your decrees." NIV.

# CULTURE IS EMBEDDED INTO YOUR HEART!

God wants His word sown into your heart. Reading and referring to the Bible is wonderful. However, when His word is in your heart the likelihood of you straying away from Him is slim to none.

This is why God said if you train a child in the way that he should go he will not depart from it. Why? Because culture has been stitched into his spirit. No matter what circumstances occur his culture will not change. Culture is that strong!!

PEOPLE DON'T WALK AWAY FROM CULTURE IT FOLLOWS THEM LIKE A SHADOW.

#### A NEW DAY

We are living in a time where evilness and wickedness has become normalized. This world is embracing and has invented new ways of evilness, from same sex marriage to gender identity.

Immorality and lawlessness is at an all time high. We are approaching the days when reading the Bible will be illegal. It may be hard to imagine now, but it's coming. America is removing God from its fabric. America has turned its back on God. This country has become so arrogant that it believes it doesn't need God to sustain itself.

Since this country believes it doesn't need God it will be easy for America to remove His word from their culture. This is why God **REQUIRES** intensive studying. Remember, culture is learned. When America outlaws the Bible what are you going to do if you don't have the Kingdom culture in your heart?

If you don't have a book to reference, your lifestyle should take over. Learning the culture of the Kingdom of God builds a lifestyle that is centered around God. Keep this in mind. People can take the Bible away but they **CANNOT** take what is in your heart.

### **INTENSE STUDY**

Culture is taught. Culture is learned. Culture is studied. Culture is embedded. It will be **IMPOSSIBLE** to survive the times of persecution and tribulation if you read the Bible occasionally or study it as a reference.

When you are under severe attack and persecution,

SECOND NATURE kicks in. Who you are comes out.

What you believe is showcased. The core of your behavior is culture. When these times happen God wants you prepared with His Kingdom knowledge but you must study His word intensely.

Studying God's word is **NOT** optional. It is required so you won't lose your faith. We are approaching the days where many will lose their faith according to the scripture.

Mathew 24: 9-10 says "Then people will arrest you, hand you over to be hurt, and kill you. They will hate you because you believe in me. At that time, many will lose their faith, and they will turn against each other and hate each other."

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