



Bird's Eye View

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Chapter 3: Understanding Our True State Without Christ And The Kingdom We Are Born Into.

Theme: Understanding our true state without Christ and the kingdom we are born into Pages 37-38.

Key Truth: Knowing your fallen state empowers your new life in Christ.

Key Scripture: *Romans 5:10, Hosea 4:6*

Having a revealed knowledge of your fallen state and knowing just how separated you were from God and in absolute need of being rescued out of the kingdom of darkness and into Him, is one of the greatest gifts a person can be shown.

Why is this the case?

Because then one can truly value the enormity of what Jesus Christ accomplished through His death and resurrection, and enter into the brand new, 'much more than life' reality, that is contained in Christ. Why would one not lose their entire life for Him, when one can see the "why" behind it all?

It's very hard for mankind to value what he has absolutely no reference point for. In fact, I would say it is virtually impossible for man to value this in a way that he would lose and lay his life down. When we receive revelation from what we have been saved from and for, our innate response is to surrender ourselves unto the One who loves us. Our obedience is motivated by love and activated through faith.

Romans 2:4 Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?

Knowing your fallen state or fallen nature and knowing that it is His love for you that redeems you in this state, is like no other reality to life. This reality crushes the old nature of evil and pride and births a brand new nature of His Spirit within you.

For me personally, I hold the day in my heart so close, where He revealed all of this to me and I carry it with me, as a personal reminder of where I have come from and just how incredible my Heavenly Father and Saviour is.

From darkness to Light and then forever increasing in Light.

Questions:

1. How would you describe the place you have been rescued from?
2. Why does thinking lightly of His kindness, tolerance and patience influence the way we live?
3. What personal value do you put on knowing what you have been rescued from and for?
4. Why is knowing where we have been rescued from, so empowering to moving forward?

Action point: What are you being made aware of through this resource and is there one thing you need to put in place after going through this resource?