

LOOK UP!

In this lesson you will learn the importance of looking up to God and not looking down at your obstacles and circumstances.

- I. Abraham had to look up to receive the promises of God – Genesis 15:5-6.
 - A. Verse 5 – “Then He brought him outside and said, ‘Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them.’ And He said to him, ‘So shall your descendants be.’”
 - B. Verse 6 – “And he believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.”
 - C. Isaiah 45:22 – “Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.”

- II. What are you looking at?
 - A. Joshua 6:2 THE MESSAGE – “God spoke to Joshua, ‘Look sharp now. I’ve already given Jericho to you, along with its king and its crack troops. Here’s what you are to do.’”
 - B. What you focus on as you look up you will move towards. Don’t look at the obstacle; look at the open space or place you want to be. Move towards what you want.
 - C. Don’t align yourself with negative situations.
 - D. God gave Joshua a divine strategy to take the city of Jericho. God will give you a strategy when you have eyes of faith to walk out your victory. You need to see yourself healed before the healing comes; you need to see yourself blessed before the blessing comes.

- III. Look up to God.
 - A. Micah 7:7 – “Therefore I will look to the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me.”
 - B. Psalm 121:1-2 – “I will lift up my eyes to the hills – from whence comes my help? My help comes from the Lord....”
 - C. Hebrews 12:2 – “Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”
 - D. 2 Chronicles 20:1-30 – When Jehoshaphat went into battle he said, “Our eyes are upon You” (v. 12). God gave him a battle plan and said, “Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle is not yours, but God’s” (v. 15). He sent out the worshipers first and the enemy was defeated. The realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet, for his God gave him rest all around.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Are you more likely to look at your natural circumstances or look up to the Lord?
- How has worship played a part in helping turn situations around in your life?
- Is there an area of your life that you need to look up to the Lord and get a divine strategy to overcome and get victory?

BE A DOER OF THE WORD

This week make a decision to not look at natural circumstances and situations, but begin to look up to the Lord and seek His divine strategy for overcoming and getting victory in your life.

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