A Parallel Reality: Desire



Scripture

• John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled. Nor let it be fearful.

• John 8:23

And He was saying to them, "You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world.

• John 3:13

And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but He that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.

• John 1:8

This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success.

Other Scriptures

- John 8:36
- Luke 17:21
- Romans 5:17
- Eph.2:6
- Rom. 8:37
- Matt. 5:3
- Acts 16:25
- Matt. 11:12
- Gen. 32:26-28
- Heb. 11:6
- John 3:8
- I John 4:4; 5:4
- I Cor. 2:9

Main Points

- When Jesus came into the world, He brought us a parallel reality.
- This reality is the Kingdom of God.
- God's parallel reality can become ours if we desire it, have faith, and believe.
- In Jesus, we can access the Kingdom of God while we are still on Earth.
- Desire is the first prerequisite to enter into God's parallel reality.
 - o Desire is the gasoline that launches us forward.

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- Desire comes by having faith that we can access victory.
- The Kingdom of God comes by the Spirit of God and is ours if we desire to enter in.
- The second prerequisite to enter into God's parallel reality is Kavanah.
 - o Kavanah-the Hebrew word for intent.
 - o A holy, single-minded passion toward...
- We need to be intentional about the words that God is continually imparting to us.
- Being intentional applies to the written word and to the impressions on our hearts from the Holy Spirit.
- We have to cooperate with God to enter into His reality.

Discussion Questions

- There is the thinking of this world, limited by human ability, and there is the thinking of the Kingdom of God, which is unlimited by God's ability.
 Which Kingdom and which King do you desire to unite with today? How can you see transformation of your thinking to the divine Kingdom?
 Define intention the way the Rabbi described Kavanah. How does this look when it comes to your study of God's Word and prayer?
- 3. What are some impressions from God that you have been slow and unintentional in acting on? How can you change this today? Make these things a matter of prayer.