Mysteries of the Kingdom: The Secret of Receiving



Scripture

• <u>John 6:51-58 (NASV)</u>

"I am the living bread that came down out of heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread also which I will give for the life of the world is My flesh. Then the Jews began to argue with one another, saying, "How can this man give us His flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him. As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who eats Me, he also will live because of Me. This is the bread which came down out of heaven; not as the fathers ate and died; he who eats this bread will live forever."

Other Scriptures

- John 1:12
- 2 Corinthians 1:8-9
- Matthew 5:3
- I Corinthians 15:31

Main Points:

- Breakthrough begins with the capacity and the ability to receive.
- We have to be able to sense the Holy Spirit in order to receive from Him.
 - o Ruach HaKodesh- Hebrew for Holy Spirit
- Our walk with God begins with receiving.
- We need to live in constant dependency on Jesus.
- We need to recognize our weakness and our need for dependency on God.
- Beatitude means "blessed are you."
 - o A mystery in the natural world; who wants to be poor?

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- The first foundation toward walking in fullness is to know how to be dependent on God.
- Good works are an overflow of receiving Jesus.
- We continue to grow in grace by receiving from Jesus every day.
- God wants to help us become better receivers.

will be the benefits if you do?

Disc

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1.	What is a spiritual mystery? Why is receiving from God a foundational understanding and an "art"?
2.	Paul despaired from the difficulties of life, but declared that God permitted these things for the purpose of teaching him dependency. Can you view your struggles through the lens of that which God will use to enrich and enable your dependence on Him? How does this help you to positively view your problems? Begin a conversation with your Father about this very thing.
3.	Receiving from God will always be the most important thing in growing spiritually. How can you prioritize receiving every day over being a Johnny Appleseed believer? What