

BEHIND THE DOOR #3

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KINGDOM OF GOD: *the supernatural realm and reality where God's purposes, presence, and power are present, operating, and alongside the natural, material, and visible everywhere I am.*

"I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Matthew 16:18-19 NIV

NEW _____.

NEW _____.

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ONGOING _____.

SELF OR GOD: WHAT WILL I SEEK FIRST?

"So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." Matthew 6:31-34

GOD IS SAYING:

STOP _____.

START _____.

STOP _____.

START _____.

"This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.'" Matthew 6:9-11 NIV

"If my goal is to do God's will, then it is his job to provide the resources I need to do it." John Piper

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.... And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7,19 NIV

GOD IS ASKING ...

_____?

SEEKING THE KINGDOM OF GOD = STAYING **IN** THE KINGDOM OF GOD

I SEEK GOD BY _____.

“While it was still night, way before dawn, he got up and went out to a secluded spot and prayed. Simon and those with him went looking for him. They found him and said, ‘Everybody’s looking for you.’” Mark 1:35-37 MSG

Martha opened her home to him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet listening to what he said. “Martha, Martha,” the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”

Luke 10: 38-39, 41 NIV

I SEEK GOD BY _____.

“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.” Matthew 7:24

“And to whom did God swear that they would never enter his rest if not to those who disobeyed? So we see that they were not able to enter, because of their unbelief.” Hebrews 3:18-19 NIV

I SEEK GOD BY _____.

“Follow me!” Matthew 9:9

“The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.” Luke 6:40 NIV

“And so we are transfigured much like the Messiah, our lives gradually becoming brighter and more beautiful as God enters our lives and we become like him.”

2 Corinthians 3:18

I SEEK GOD BY _____.

Jesus responded, “Who do you think are my mother and brothers?” Looking around, taking in everyone seated around him, he said, “Right here, right in front of you—my mother and my brothers. Obedience is thicker than blood. The person who obeys God’s will is my brother and sister and mother.” Mark 3:33-35 MSG

A KINGDOM LIFESTYLE OVER A LIFETIME: A PROCESS – NEVER PERFECTION!

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FOR DISCUSSION:

- HOW DOES WORRY ROB OUR/YOUR FOCUS AND TAKE US OUT OF THE KINGDOM?
- WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE TO “REST” IN GOD’S PERSON VS WORRY?
- HOW WILL YOU SEEK GOD THIS WEEK TO STAY PRESENT/ACTIVE IN HIS KINGDOM?