

Open Heaven 23 October 2024 Today Devotional: FOCUS

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MEMORISE

Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee. Proverbs 4:25

READ: Colossians 3:1-3; Hebrews 12:1-2:

Colossians 3:1-3:

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

³ For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

Hebrews 12:1-2:

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

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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 is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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In 2 Kings 2:10, Elijah was basically telling Elisha, "Son, you have asked a hard thing that I can't give you, but God can give you. Just don't be distracted, stay focused." Hebrews 12:1-2 says that you should lay aside every weight and look unto Jesus. Be focused.

The devil will try to put many weights on you to distract you, but you must stay focused. People may criticise you, lie against you, and say negative things about you, but you must remain focused. Some years ago, people were criticising me almost everywhere. I ignored all of them and remained focused on what God called me to do. By God's grace, I am still marching on, but no one knows where some of the people that were criticising me are now.

The weights that the devil will try to use to sway your focus will not only be from people that dislike you; some of them will be from people that love you. Their praises, for example, can be a weight that you must set aside so that you do not lose focus.

A man once offended a great king and should have been beheaded. However, the king decided to give him a test. The king told him to carry water in a spoon and walk for some metres. If he spilt a single drop of water, he was to be beheaded. The king asked some people to stand on his left-hand side and criticise him; they were to rain abuses on him and keep booing him. On his right-hand side, the king asked some other people to stand and keep praising and hailing the man until he got to the finish line. The man started walking, and the people on both sides did what they were told to do with all their strength. At last, the man got to the finish line without spilling any water. The king asked him, "Which of these people helped you succeed?" He responded, "None of them. I was carrying my life in my hands, and so I did not listen to either of them."

Beloved, you are carrying your life in your hands; don't let anyone make you lose your focus.

ACTION POINT

Set aside every weight that the devil is using to distract you and focus on achieving God's purpose for your life.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Luke 7-8

HYMN 10: IN CHRIST ALONE

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