



Devotional

**“THE SEASON OF
WAITING!”**

**WHAT CAN WE
LEARN?**

THE BIBLICAL SEASON WE ARE IN

In our earlier devotional post, we stated that, those who are familiar with the story of the Upper Room experience on the Day of Pentecost in the book of Acts 2, already know that the Disciples only had to wait 50 days, after Passover for the Promise of the Holy Spirit. They were waiting for the Promise, **but** they were not given a deadline with the Promise – Just the Promise.

† **What do you do with a Promise that is given with no Date for Fulfilment?**

YOUR PERSPECTIVE MATTERS

Your “**Perspective**” will greatly impact your ability to wait on the Lord. Perspective is a View point, a mental view or outlook. Perspective is your ability to see. It is the ability to Perceive. Perspective is a way of regarding

situations, facts, etc., and judging their relative importance. It is the proper or accurate point of view or the ability to see it objectively (so we hear the saying *'to try and get some perspective on the matter..'*)

Perspective is also related to distance – and I think this is important. The appearance of an objects, a building etc., is determined by the distance from the viewer, or the effects of this distance on their appearance. This means that depending on your distance to whatever it is that you are looking at, this will determine the appearance of it.

A typical example is when flying:

- ✝ If you have a window seat on the plane, and you keep looking, you will notice that the higher the plane climbs, the smaller whatever it is that you were looking at appears.

That should speak volumes to you.

PERSPECTIVE REINFORCEMENT

Let me apply another point of view for reinforcement, depending on your Relationship with Jesus Christ, and how close you are to Him, this will determine your Perspective whilst you Wait on the Fulfilment of His Promises to you.

Which means that the opposite is also worth noting that depending on how far you are from the Lord will also determine your Perspective whilst you Wait on the Fulfilment of His Promises to you.

I asked the question in the last devotional, why did those disciples leave and not wait for the Promise? I would suggest that the motivator to leave was based on their Perspective in other words “Divine Clarity”.

MEANING OF PERSPECTIVE

The Word Perspective – has its origin in Latin and it means, “**To Look Through**” “**To See Clearly**” or “**to put it another way**” “**Divine Clarity**”. If you are going to receive the fulfilment of the Promises of God, it requires you to have the right “Perspective”. This means that anything and everything that is blocking your ability to **Look Through, or See Clearly** in this season, the Holy Spirit wants to show you so that you can by Faith eliminate it in Jesus name.

In this day and age, it is important that **your Perspective is in Alignment with the Word over your life, because without the right Perspective you cannot “Fulfil your Ordained Purpose”**.

This Quote helps to reinforce what I am saying:

All that a man achieves, and all that he fails to achieve is the direct result of his own thoughts.

Don't underestimate your Thoughts even in this Season of Waiting. One of the practical ways you can evaluate your Perspective is to ask yourself some questions, make a note of your response and spend some time reflecting on what these response tell you about what is going on internally for you.

WHAT DO YOU SEE?

† So, what do You SEE?

When the Lord was dealing with Jeremiah, this was the Question asked:

¹¹Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree.

¹²Then said the LORD unto me, thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it. (Jeremiah 1:11-12)

We see that Jeremiah's response to the Question placed him in a position to receive more insight and revelation from God.

What if the Lord asked you what do you see?

What would your response be after:

- † 58 days of Lock-down or
- † 8 weeks and 2 days or
- † 1 month and 27 days

1. What do You See?

Because Jeremiah had the correct Perspective, He could be trusted with more information that gave him a greater Understanding, which we would describe as “Divine Clarity”.

TO ENCOURAGE YOU

I want to encourage you with some questions that you could take some time to ask yourself, making a note of your responses that will help you evaluate how you are really doing?. Obviously if you are not truthful to yourself, this exercise will not benefit you in addressing what is really happening internally. It is the Truth that makes you **free**...

Some questions to consider:

2. **What are you doing about what you See?**

Your Perspective will either motivate you to take or not take action.

Quote on Perspective:



Being happy doesn't mean that everything is perfect. It means that you've decided to look beyond the imperfections.

This is a powerful statement because so many of us have a concept of happiness which implies it is a life without challenges, which is absolutely unreal.

Here is another Quote which speaks volumes:

Before complaining that you are a slave to another, be sure that you are not a slave to yourself.

If you Look within yourself - You will find there:

**slavish thoughts
slavish desires**

and in your daily life and conduct, slavish habits.

Conquer these, cease to be a slave to yourself; and no man will have the power to enslave You.

Wow – What a Word!

Accordingly, please note; your perspective governs how you live your life. In the fullness of time, your Perspective will always impact whether or not you live an obedient life onto the Lord during your Season of Waiting.

PERSPECTIVE IMPACT KINGDOM REWARD

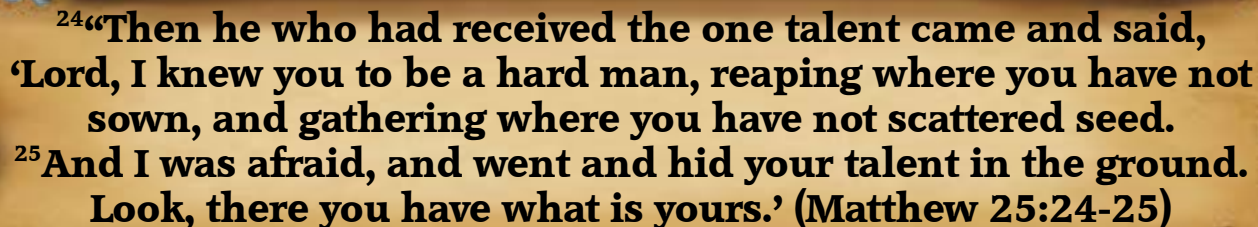
Let me give you a final illustration from the Word of the Lord, **from the Parable of the Talents in Matthew 25:**

The Individual that Received ONE Talent:

Nothing was wrong with the Talent that was given, but we see clearly that the **Perspective** of the individual that was given the one Talent; affected his Perception of his master; which in turn affected his 'Thoughts' regarding the value of the talent that his master had given him; and ultimately what

he decided to do with it. Inevitably, his actions was directly related to his perspective.

His response to his master:



²⁴“Then he who had received the one talent came and said, ‘Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed.
²⁵And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.’ (Matthew 25:24-25)

So, it is clear that his **Perspective** gave birth to his **‘Thoughts’**, which then impacted the action he took with the Talent he was given. His perspective was the real issue. The sad thing is that at the end of this story we see that this

individual's perspective greatly impacted the reward he was given and finally his position in the Kingdom.

He was rewarded based on the actions he took because of the Perspective that he had. I want to encourage you that whilst in your Season of Waiting please don't allow the enemy to influence you to forfeit your reward and your position in the Kingdom.

PERSPECTIVE IS CRITICAL TO YOUR PROCESS

It is the desire of the enemy that you will abort the process, and not receive what the Lord has for you on the other side of your Wait. Please understand that your Perspective is critical to your Process.

So, wherever you are in your Process, and especially when dealing with Seasons of Waiting, ensure you develop a mindset of total reliance on the Lord who is Faithful to His Word and is not a man that He should lie.

PRAYING THE SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 40:31:

**But those who wait on the Lord
Shall renew their strength;
They shall mount up with wings like eagles,
They shall run and not be weary,
They shall walk and not faint.**

Psalms 27:14:

**Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine
heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.**

Psalms 37:7:

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

Psalms 130:5:

“I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, and in his word do, I hope.”