

## **BJ21 Seek Me Myself**

In order to do justice to this lesson I must start off by repeating a foundational truth; Christianity is not a religion. It is a personal relationship with God the Father and Jesus Christ whom He has sent.

**John 17:3 KJV And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.**

When it comes to our relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, our goal must be the same as the apostle Paul's ... to know Him!

**Philippians 3:7-14 KJV But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. [8] Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, [9] And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith: [10] That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death; [11] If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. [12] Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. [13] Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, [14] I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.**

**Philippians 3:10-11 AMPC [For my determined purpose is] that I may know Him [that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding the wonders of His Person more strongly and more clearly], and that I may in that same way come to know the power outflowing from His resurrection [which it exerts over believers], and that I may so share His sufferings as to be continually transformed [in spirit into His likeness even] to His death, [in the hope] [11] That if possible I may attain to the [spiritual and moral] resurrection [that lifts me] out from among the dead [even while in the body].**

It is all based on a personal relationship with the Lord, not formulas. It is knowing Him ... Himself ... not just some sort of religious ceremonies. Many church people do not know Him and have never met Him at all. You can tell that because there has never been any real change in their life. When you meet Jesus, when Jesus comes into your house (I'm talking about your body ... your "house" on earth) ... He comes in as Lord. There is a new Sheriff in town, and He begins implementing change immediately.

I will never forget those first two weeks of being born again at age thirty-three. I met the same Jesus who ran the money-changers out of the temple of God. The love of money left, alcohol and nicotine left (I backslid into smoking again), pornography left, dirty jokes left, the desire to go to the bars left, and so much more. It was the beginning of the "fruit of the spirit," the nature of Christ beginning to form within me,

**Galatians 5:22-23 KJV But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, [23] Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.**

The seed of the Word has been sown on all types of ground, hard, wayside, thorny, rocky, and so forth. But in many people, that seed never puts down roots enough to mature and bare fruit. That is the teaching Jesus gave in Mark chapter four. The seed of the Word was sown, but in three out of the four types of ground, there was never any fruit. "If there is no fruit, there is no root."

There are multitudes in churches today who attend because their parents did, or because they think that's what you do in order to make it to heaven, or they are putting their faith in some ritual or form, such as infant baptism, or a prayer of salvation somebody led them in years ago that they just repeated with their lips, but did not really mean with their heart.

That's why the Lord said in one of the Blueprint prophecies, *"Rescue the Harvest in the Church and rescue the Harvest in the world, for I desire a Harvest among My people as well as among the world."*

## **Charles Finney's Mission**

Finney believed that many churchgoers were spiritually complacent or unconverted despite their religious affiliation. His preaching often targeted those inside the church walls, urging them to experience a genuine transformation through repentance and faith. He challenged the idea that simply attending church or adhering to doctrine was enough for salvation.

## **Impact Of Finney's Preaching**

Estimates suggest that hundreds of thousands were converted through his preaching—many of whom were already part of church congregations. His ministry didn't just grow numbers; it transformed communities, shut down bars, and lowered crime rates in cities like Rochester, NY. So yes, Finney wasn't just preaching to the lost outside the church ... he was shaking up the pews and calling the religious to true repentance.

## **Zachaeus Is A Picture Of True Salvation**

**Luke 19:1-10 KJV** And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. [2] And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. [3] And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. [4] And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycomore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way. [5] And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house. [6] And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully. [7] And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner. [8] And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. [9] And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. [10] For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

1. Zachaeus heard of Jesus and wondered who he was.
  - a. Who do you say that I am?
2. Jesus says TODAY, I MUST come into your house.
  - a. Jesus knocks at the door of every heart.
3. Zachaeus received Him joyfully.

- a. They fellowshiped together.
  - b. The new Sheriff had instruction for Zachaeus.
- 4. The fruit of repentance was immediate.
  - a. Zachaeus could have said no.
  - b. He chose to act on what Jesus said.
- 5. Doing what Jesus says as Lord from within results in SALVATION.
  - a. Jesus Himself said, "This day is salvation come to this house."
  - b. **Luke 6:46 KJV And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?**
  - c. **Luke 6:47-48 KJV Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: [48] He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.**
- 6. It is a fearful thing to be hard, stony ground that will not allow the seed of Christ to bear fruit by doing what He says.
  - a. **John 15:1-6 KJV I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. [2] Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. [3] Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. [4] Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. [5] I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. [6] If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.**
  - b. **Matthew 7:22-23 KJV Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? [23] And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.**

Salvation is you coming into a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. He stands at the door of every heart, knocking at the door wanting to be invited in. Have you opened the door and received Him into your heart? When you do, you

will not remain the same if you yield to what He says to you. That is true repentance. Your life becomes a life of seeking Him ... Himself.

### ***Seek Me Myself***

*In all of your seeking, My son, seek Me! Seek Me, for all of those other things, those anointings and those giftings and even those provisions are all obtained as you seek Me. As you find Me, you obtain them. Seek Me Myself, son, Seek Me in all of your seeking. It is as you understand and know the love of Christ which passes knowledge that all the fullness of the Godhead comes to you, for all the fullness of the Godhead is in Me bodily. As you come to know Me all of that fullness comes to you. Seek Me, son, seek Me. In Me you will find all that you want and all that you desire and all that you need. Seek Me Myself, son, for it is I Who has redeemed you and not you yourself.*

*Be sure that your quest is the same as My servant Paul's. His quest became; to know Me! In knowing Me he progressively knew the power of My resurrection, the fellowship of My sufferings and was made conformable to My death in order that he might obtain those powers of the age to come, in this life, on this side of the veil.*

*I am well pleased with the present transformation of motivations within your heart. Understand that a portion of the reward is the journey itself. Understand that a portion of the reward is in the seeking itself. For in the seeking you will find, in the knocking the door shall be opened, and in the asking the requests shall be granted. Continue seeking Me Myself, son. Seek after Me for in Me are all of the things that you desire.*

*The things that I desire for you to do for My kingdom would seem bizarre to you without your intimate acquaintance with Me. Your mind would leap and jump up and arise and say, "That is not the Lord." You must know Me! You must know Me to receive accurately My instructions. That is why I am emphasizing so strongly to you now, seek Me Myself. Come to know Me. Come to know Me that you may receive My instruction. I counsel you again to give the most earnest heed to those things which I have already instructed you to do. Those are the very things that will cause your acquaintance with Me to blossom. The fellowship with Me, the time spent with Me, and doing those things which I have instructed you will bring you into My very presence where we may fellowship and where your heart becomes My heart. Where*

*your mind becomes My mind. Where your purpose becomes My purpose. And where My gifts flow without hindrance through your life.*

*First comes the knowing, then comes the doing. The detailed instructions are certainly on the way. As your acquaintance with Me becomes more intimate My instructions shall unfold before you and they will be simple for you to do.*

---

If you have never opened the door of your heart, do it today and invite the Lord Jesus Christ in. Today is the day of salvation. Like He said to Zachaeus, He MUST come into your house ... TODAY!

For those of us who invited Jesus into our house long ago, and much housecleaning has already happened ... Jesus is standing and knocking at doors of rooms within us that we have never opened to Him before.

**John 15:1-2 KJV I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. [2] Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.**

In the Blueprint, the Holy Spirit instructed us ... *"Complete the purging process."*