



Relationship w/Jesus

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Beyond Choice

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"Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;" Deuteronomy 11:26

Some things in life are destined by choice and yet choice is just the beginning of a wider scope of the big picture. God desires to have a relationship with you; but first you must choose to have one with Him. Once involved in this relationship, both parties contribute and develop from that relationship. The outcome is a healthy bond; the result of a good choice.

This healthy relationship has the potential to continue to new levels which becomes just as natural as breathing. Common sense tells you, you don't choose to breathe; You don't constantly remind yourself: "Breathe in, breathe out." It's just natural to breathe, no thought involved. Neither do you take thought of the relationship to your spouse. Yes, you work on bettering the relationship; however, you don't need to be told you are married to your spouse and that you need to love your spouse. It should be automatic; healthy. We expect a healthy relationship when we contribute to it and so does God.

"²⁶Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; ²⁷A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day: ²⁸And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known." Deuteronomy 11:26-28

This verse is taken from the Old Testament and in the Old Testament; people couldn't live in the Spirit as we can today, because the Holy Ghost wasn't given yet. They had to live for the Lord through a physical way. Under the law. Living in the New Testament we are to go beyond the commandments. To actually live with the commandments written on our hearts.

"Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart." 2 Corinthians 3:3

Through the Holy Ghost the commandments of God no longer become a choice but a way of life. When we die out to Jesus, we are not our own, but that Jesus lives in and directs us. Daily we live the complete law of the Lord and take no thought of it.

So, as we move through life and commune with our Lord Jesus Christ, He has set before us a blessing; blessing of integrity, honor, truthfulness. We can have the peace knowing our ways are sure and steadfast. We have no fear for tomorrow, just confidence of what God has planned for us.

"Behold, I set before you this day a blessing . . . "

