

*Luke 6:48-49 KJVS*

*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. [49] But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.*

The aim of this meditation is for us to not be believers who build without a foundation, who hear the words of Christ and do not apply them. No one can survive what is to come without a strong, deep foundation (Matt 24:24). Looking at the scripture above, you might ask. Why would one build a house without a foundation? Was he being in a haste? Or was he ignorant?

To build a foundation, one must dig deep. However, not many are ready to dig deep. The house we are building is our heart. Who are you building the house for? It is the habitation of the Holy one of Israel. God is partnering with you to raise up a house for Him. This house cannot be made without a foundation because the occupier of that house is very heavy. A house that will bear the weight of the glory of God must have a very solid foundation. Alas, many times, believers do not know the state of their heart. However, the call of this meditation is to help us define the state of your heart. A believer who can determine where his heart and mind is will not fall into guilt or depression or condemnation.

Nothing enters your heart till you take ownership and validate what is in your mind. This is why, whatever comes into your mind, stop it at the gate. Whatever you do not call for, do not receive, or validate. When you see what you do not like playing out in your life, check yourself and see if you have validated something without knowing. Many people believe their bad dream more than the word of God. Anything that projects fear into your heart, know that this thought is not from God. However, anything that comes and generates worship and praise and faith to God is from God.

### **Men of a Pure Heart - Daniel, Joseph, The Three Hebrew Men**

There are several men in the bible that were men after God's heart. Men like Joseph, who sold as a slave by his brothers, would not hold a grudge against them because he understood that God sent him ahead to save them (1 Corinth 14:20). How about Daniel, who **purposed in his heart** not to eat of the king's meat. Let us be a people who purpose in our hearts the will of God. The three Hebrew boys are another example of those who did no deal with sin politely by speaking firmly against bowing down to the king's idol. Like them, let us vehemently resist sin. In a culture

of politeness and political correctness, let us possess a righteous anger and audaciousness towards sin (James 4:7)

Aaron was an example of a man chosen and ordained of God, but he lost out due to pressure from the people. You wonder how Rahab could be listed in the annals of faith in Hebrews 11, but Aaron was left out. While God was ordaining him priest, Aaron was building a golden calf. He showed complete disbelief in God. This is the importance of searching the heart. A man that will daily present his heart to God for inward searching and pruning will go far with God. David was such a man. This is why though Psalm 45 spoke of the divine heart. He could say his heart was inditing a good matter.

### **Contents of the New Heart**

The contents of a new heart are summed up in the law, the testimony, the statutes, the commandments, the fear, and the judgements of the Lord.

*Psalm 19:7-10 KJVS*

*The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. [8] The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. [9] The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. [10] More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.*

The Law of the Lord: The Law of the Lord is perfect. When the law of the Lord comes into your heart, it makes your heart perfect. That law in your heart and the keeping of this law in your heart brings perfection to your heart. Yet, your soul is still not perfect, your mind, your will and emotions. Yet when the law of the Lord comes into your soul, it converts and empowers your soul to be aligned to the God's law. Psalm 1:2 KJVS But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. When this becomes your state of mind, where you find delight in the law of the Lord and your heart delights in it, your heart becomes so strong that it begins to tutor your soul in the path of righteousness, teaching your soul in the path of righteousness. This is the state God is bringing us into, where we constantly meditate on the Lord and do His will. Conversion of the soul means, something that is going into a state of decay, being restored into the perfect law that God designed before the fall. This is why Psalm 23:3 says, He restores my soul. The law rules and governs. It governs until it brings your soul into perfect submission. Man was created to obey laws. In old creation, this was in the Torah, however, in the New Testament, the law is in the heart. When a man is ignorant of the law, does it make him excluded from punishment of breaking the law? Of course not. Here is an example: 1 John 5:18 KJVS We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not. This shows that to the one who is born of God,

a different law operates in his members. A law that unbelievers cannot understand. The law operating in an eagle that makes him soar in a storm is a different law that will break the wings of the vulture who dares it. If a chicken runs from a storm, an eagle soars in it. The law that operates in an eagle sets him free from the law that breaks the wings of birds in the storm. This is what the law has done in you. It has set you free from the law of sin and death (Romans 8:2 KJVS) Once the law of God is in your heart and you desire to do the will of God, your soul will follow. Why is the Law of the Lord perfect? Perfection is the goal. This is where God is bring us to. What is perfection? Everything God makes is perfect, but nothing is considered perfect until it is tried. God tests and tries the heart. Even Jesus was tried multiple times before considered perfect. In conclusion, when making a bridge, if a part of the bridge settles, you know the entire thing will come down. Hence, the bridge is tested. If the load expectation is 10 tons, they will test it to 15 tons. This is because an error is deadly. What we are about to carry, no error is allowed. This is why God dictated everything for the tabernacle of Moses. If this was the for the tabernacle of Moses, how about His own tabernacle? God is not in a rush. Everyone will certify that it is perfect, including the devil. No error is allowed! The Law of the Lord is perfect and the perfection of this law comes into your heart and makes all things perfect.

### **Take Away**

1. Anything that projects fear into your heart is not of God. However, anything any thought, action, or experiences that generates worship and praise and faith to God is from God.
2. In a culture of politeness and political correctness, let us possess a righteous anger and audaciousness towards sin (James 4:7) like Joseph and potiphar's wife, Daniel, and the three Hebrew men.
3. Daily present your heart to God for inward searching and pruning to will into depths with God.
4. Everything God makes is perfect, but nothing is considered perfect until it is tried (James 1:2-4)