

Principles for Living

Let me say to you, my fellow alumni, the writing rules say I should narrow my subject so that it will not be too broad. Moreover, in this case, the subject needs to be approached in spite of its broadness because it is so important. So, with your permission, I am writing you in your interest on these three principles for living directly from God's word, the bible. Too often, I feel that we should apply the practicality of God's word to our lives and lifestyles in the most necessary areas. I would love to quote to you the words of the second wisest man that ever lived next to Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. This is cited in the Living Bible in Proverbs 1:1-6: "These are the proverbs of Solomon of Israel, David's son. He wrote them to teach his people how to live—how to act in every circumstance, for he wanted them to be understanding, just and fair in everything they did. I want to make the simpleminded wise!" he said. "I want to warn young men of some problems they will face. I want those who are already wise to become wiser and to become leaders by exploring the depths of meaning in these nuggets of truth." Like King Solomon my motivation and inspiration are in your interest because God has instilled in me a love for Him and you. And this is the reason for my first book, Flames of Fire. I desire my ministries of the Gospel and book writing to be of practical use to you in every circumstance and major areas of life including family, workplace, careers and professions.

First, we must understand that it's our attitude, mindset that will make the difference in our lives. How we think of things will determine our failure or success. Our attitude will also determine the achievement of completion of our assignments, visions and purposes. There is an important verse in Proverbs 23:7a that says: "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he." I learned in sports that: "A quitter never wins and a winner never quits." For us to cope successfully with disappointments and discouragements, we must be persistent, tenacious, and tough, to defeat the negatives of life. This is another way of saying to him that endures until the end the same shall be saved.

Second, our strength to fight a good fight, to finish the course, to keep the faith comes from God who made us. Therefore, a personal relationship with God and ingesting and digesting His word in the Bible give the strength and resources to meet the requirements of life. For the strength we need from God Phil.4:13 says: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." For the resources we need to meet the demands of life Phil. 4:19: says: "But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." God never requires anything of us that He doesn't supply the strength and resources to accomplish His assignments and purposes in us.

Third, promotion is of the Lord. Therefore, we can as God's creation and children avoid serving man with eye service and political correctness. By doing this, we shall maintain our relationship with God. The useful verses for this are Psalm 75:6-7: "For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another." The LB says it like this: "For promotion and power come from nowhere on earth, but only from God. He promotes one and deposes another."

The above three principles and values govern my life in the most meaningful ways. These are just nuggets of truth for us. Perhaps, we shall get the chance to share more with you later.

I would like to invite you, my fellow alumni, for conference calls for further principles each third Thursday night of each month at 7 PM. I shall be teaching from my book, Flames of Fire on more extensive principles for living then. This is ministry of the Word of God in your interest and welfare. If you are interested, you can contact me by email at

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Please contact me as soon as you can. Covid 19 requires me to do ministry differently but with a greater urgency. I would appreciate your response soon. I plan to start the conference calls within the next two weeks, please contact me before then.

Yours in Christ,
Chaplain George T. Cromwell