

FOLLOW GOD'S DIRECTION TO LIVE IN THE BLESSING

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DAY 1 – COVENANT CORRECTION BRINGS DIRECTION

There are two important things to know for Christian success: 1. You are a spirit like God is a Spirit; and 2. You have a covenant with God. Be willing to be corrected by God. When you take a panoramic view of the Bible, the book of covenants, the emphasis is on THE BLESSING of The LORD.

STUDY IT

- I. There are two important things to know for Christian success: 1. You are a spirit like God is a Spirit; and 2. You have a covenant with God.
 - Make this confession: "I am a spirit. I have a soul and I live in a flesh body." You don't *have* a spirit; you *are* a spirit.
 - Most people think the soul and the spirit are the same thing. They cannot be because God's WORD speaks of them separately.

- II. Be willing to be corrected by God.
 - Stay on God's course for your life (Hebrews 12:1-2).
 - If an aircraft is flying at the speed of 200 mph, and it is 10 degrees off course, four hours later it will be about 133 miles off course.
 - In the same way, we must obey God's correction to keep us on course.
 - The Holy Bible is a very blunt book of corrections, directions and course guidance. Obey God's WORD to be corrected and guided.
 - When the Jews returned to Jerusalem after years of exile, Nehemiah had to remind and correct them to follow the laws God had given to Moses.
 - Before the exile, the people refused to obey and listen to God.
 - Even though they were off course, God still had mercy on them and showed His goodness by giving them food and drink.
 - They hardened their hearts, but God didn't forsake them; and He won't forsake you.
 - Earnestly heed or listen to what God says so you don't let His WORD slip (Hebrews 1:13-2:5). These are covenant, corrective words.



- III. When you take a panoramic view of the Bible, the book of covenants, the emphasis is on THE BLESSING of The LORD.
- The correction is to keep you in that place of THE BLESSING of God to keep you oriented.
 - Peter gives correction and direction about healing to the Christians.
 - He tells us, "By whose stripes ye were healed" (1 Peter 2:24).
 - However, before you get to the healing, you must obey the corrections found in the first 23 verses.
 - If someone jumps from the original promise of healing in Isaiah 53:5 to 1 Peter 2:24 and doesn't obey God's corrections and instructions of righteousness in covenant, he or she may not get healed.
 - We have the same precious faith that Peter had (2 Peter 1:1). It's the faith of God! It's not Peter's faith.
 - Jesus is the Author and Developer of our faith, and He said, "Have the faith of God (see Hebrews 12:2; Mark 11:22).
 - These are promises backed by the blood of Jesus.
- IV. One of the benefits of the covenant God made with Abram involved a name change.
- God put His Name in the middle of Abram's, changing his name to Abraham.
 - "As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee" (Genesis 17:4-5).
 - From then on, Abraham was the covenant Friend of God (James 2:23).
 - Become partakers of God's divine nature: merciful, compassionate, gracious, slow to anger, abounding in kindness and faithfulness, extending mercy to the thousandth generation, and forgiving iniquity (Exodus 34:6-7).
 - God is Love and these are Love covenants.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

THE BLESSING of The LORD is waiting for you. Receive it today!

Pray with us:

Heavenly Father, today I receive THE BLESSING. You offered it to Abraham, he took it, and his life was a witness of Your greatness. You have offered THE BLESSING to me. Today I take it; I receive it in fullness in my life. I declare THE BLESSING is mine in every area of my life, and I live a life of witness to those around me. Thank You, Sir. In Jesus' Name. Amen.



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DAY 2 – GOD'S DIRECTION IS FOR YOUR PROTECTION

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- I. A. W. Copeland, Kenneth's dad, was one of his heroes.
 - Kenneth says, "My dad disciplined me, and I came around to his way of thinking. I became his disciple and I followed him as closely as I could in the way he did things."
 - "He taught me so many good things. We were the best of friends."
 - "Just like God, he corrected me, directed me and protected me. He taught me how to keep my mouth shut."
 - "My son, despise not the chastening of The LORD; neither be weary of his correction: For whom The LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth" (Proverbs 3:11-12).

- II. Brother Copeland heard the audible voice of God while flying over the land which now belongs to Kenneth Copeland Ministries.
 - He heard, "Coming to you from The Revival Capital of the World."
 - At that time, the land was owned by Mr. Pruitt.
 - Brother Copeland prayed about what to say to Mr. Pruitt at their first meeting. He knew from his dad to keep his mouth shut until spoken to.
 - Kenneth said, "Mr. Pruitt, The LORD has need of that property. We don't have any money, and we don't borrow money."
 - After several meetings, Mr. Pruitt said, "I'm going to divide that land into four equal parts. All your rent will go toward the cost of one part. When you pay for that fourth, I will deed that part to you, with no interest. Then you can pay rent on the next piece of land and continue in that way until you have paid what is owed."



- They typed up the contract. The total price of the land was \$5,080,000. Mr. Pruitt wanted to be the first donor, so he took \$1,000,000 off the price.
- In addition, he told Kenneth to sell the gravel from the property to Portland Cement, because Mr. Pruitt included the mineral rights in the sale.

III. When Brother Copeland drove for Oral Roberts, he remembered his dad's training to keep his mouth shut.

- Once, in the car, Brother Roberts said to him, "People will always tell you, 'You can't do it.'"
 - "But if you do these three things, you will be a success: No.1—Find out the will of God; No. 2—Confer no longer with flesh and blood; and No. 3—Get your job done at all costs."
- Brother Copeland became Oral Roberts' and Kenneth Hagin's disciple.
- Kenneth learned faith first by watching Oral Roberts talk and work faith. Brother Roberts used his faith like a mechanic uses a tool—on purpose.
- Then Brother Copeland found out, this is "The WORD of Faith which we preach" (Romans 10:8). That changed his and Gloria's whole world.

IV. God's direction leads you to protection.

- Receive Jesus as your Savior and LORD.
- Jesus said, "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37).
- Correction is a marvelous thing; it's a precious thing.
 - Don't despise the correction and don't let the word *chastisement* throw you, it's just an old English word for *discipline*.
- We are disciples, eager to learn, followers of The LORD Jesus; we are His disciples.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Don't get into fear about things you need protection from. Make a list of those things you fear and remember to actively follow God's direction. He will keep you from destruction.





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DAY 3 – FOLLOWING GOD'S DIRECTION IS YOUR CHOICE

God will correct His children. He gives us direction through His wisdom and all spiritual understanding. Make God's WORD your final authority.

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- I. God will correct His children.
 - “My son, despise not the chastening of The LORD; neither be weary of his correction: For whom The LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth” (Proverbs 3:11-12).
 - God gives you direction with His WORD.
 - “My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother” (Proverbs 6:20).
 - Keep God's commandments with your heart, not just because they are commandments.
 - Jesus gave His disciples a new commandment (John 13:34-35).
 - It was for their good and as a witness to others.
 - Jesus' disciples fussed and fought with each other, and they could not cast out the devil in the epileptic boy (Matthew 17:16).
 - The power wasn't there because they were in strife.

- II. God gives us direction through His wisdom and all spiritual understanding (Colossians 1:9-15).
 - God will direct you through His Spirit (Romans 8:10-15).
 - Jesus said, “The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life” (John 6:63).
 - Brother Copeland's granddaughter, Jenny, knew to start an orphanage in Greece based on Romans 8:14.
 - She met and married Elias. He learned the Word of Faith from his aunt, who learned English using a Greek-English dictionary and reading Brother Copeland's books on faith.
 - Now there's a Word of Faith church connected to that orphanage.





- Elias was surprised that this nation is only 245 years old, but has the oldest, unchanged Constitution in the world.
 - The U.S. Constitution is based on the Bible. It contains direction, correction and protection for the nation.

- III. Make God's WORD your final authority.
 - Don't argue with it.
 - God will lead and guide you through everything (Proverbs 20:27, *AMPC*).
 - We guard against and resist strongholds that are of the devil; but we have strongholds of faith, built on The WORD of God concerning miracles, healings and obedience to His WORD.
 - The WORD of God will give you direction (Proverbs 6:20-23). That's the way of life for a believer.
 - Making the right decisions is important in life.
 - Bad things happen to good people because they make bad decisions.
 - You can make New Year's resolutions, or you can make life changes.
 - When an exceedingly great and precious promise is meditated, stood upon, thought about, spoken, and read out loud over and over, it gets down on the inside of you.
 - It's your choice. No one can make your decision for you, but the Holy Spirit can guide you to make the right decision.
 - God is a good God.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

It's your choice to follow God's direction or not. Always be listening for His voice coming from your spirit. It may be as simple as *turn left* or as profound as *prepare yourself to be a witness for Me*. Either way, always follow God's direction, and you will be BLESSED.

Make this declaration:

I choose to listen to the inner voice of the Holy Spirit who is giving me directions. Before I make any decision, I will listen for God's voice that leads me. When I hear His direction, I will obey!



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DAY 4 – GOD'S DIRECTION IS FOR YOUR PERFECTION

God corrects those who are His own. He wants to perfect us. God watches over His WORD to perform it. He *made* Abraham a father of many nations. We are moving toward perfection in Christ.

STUDY IT

- I. God corrects those who are His own.
 - Uncorrectable people become orphans. They won't listen to anyone.
 - Jesus said, "When I leave, I will not leave you as orphans" (John 14:18).
 - "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24).
 - We are created in His likeness.
 - Be aware all the time that you are a spiritual being first—then soul and body.

- II. God wants to perfect us.
 - God's will is guaranteed in the covenants. The covenants make the difference.
 - We have to go back to where it started with Abram in the blood covenant (Genesis 17:1-2).
 - God said to Abram, "I am the Almighty God," *El Shaddai*, the God who is more than enough.
 - *El* means "God," and *Shaddai* is the nurse. God is Life and He is everything you could ever need.
 - "Walk before me, and be thou perfect" (Genesis 17:1). The *New Living Translation* says "Serve me faithfully and live a blameless life."
 - You live a blameless life by staying in God's WORD.

- III. God watches over His WORD to perform it (Jeremiah 1:12). His WORD is backed by the blood of Jesus.
 - Because of the blood of Jesus, you can have the answer and get into faith until it becomes to you the title deed (Hebrews 11:1, *AMPC*).
 - You take what God promised, then praise; it's coming to pass!

- Bishop David Oyedepo had no trouble believing and receiving divine healing; but he was having trouble with prosperity.
 - Bishop fasted and read Brother Copeland's book *The Laws of Prosperity*, and Gloria's book *God's Will for You*.
 - He received the revelation that prosperity is a covenant.
 - Phase 1 of their building cost \$250million. They paid it without borrowing any money. Phase 2 will also cost \$250million, and the money is in the bank.
- IV. God *made* Abraham a father of many nations.
- Robert Scott wrote a book about his experiences as a fighter pilot in WW2 called *God Is My Co-Pilot*.
 - When the war broke out, Scott was a major in the military. Instead of promoting him to the next rank of lieutenant colonel, they *made* him a colonel because they needed him to have that authority.
 - Another example of being *made* by instant promotion was when Napoleon was reviewing his troops. His horse bolted. A private grabbed the reins, and Napoleon said, "Thank you, Captain." Napoleon *made* him an instant captain.
 - Expect God to *make* what you need to be.
 - You shall know the truth and the truth will *make* you free (John 8:32).
- V. We are moving toward perfection in Christ.
- God knows the strength of first words and first covenants—they hold until the end.
 - The United States is not going to fall.
 - It's gone through some rough things, but we can get through anything because this country has a covenant with God.
 - Our first president, George Washington, in the first act of Congress prayed, "LORD, You are our God, and we are Your people."

MAKE IT PERSONAL

Wouldn't it be wonderful to have someone with you all the time telling you what to do in each and every situation? You wouldn't make mistakes. You wouldn't have regrets. You would always be safe!

Well, you do! The Holy Spirit is with you all the time, guiding you in every decision and protecting you from evil.

Listen to Him and thank Him, right now!



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DAY 5 – FOLLOW GOD'S DIRECTION TO LIVE IN THE BLESSING

Speak God's WORD and you will walk in correction, direction, protection and perfection. God is Light, Life and Love. Follow God's direction, and you will be BLESSED.

STUDY IT

- I. Speak God's WORD and you will walk in correction, direction, protection and perfection.
 - Speak God's WORD, and He will perform it. He swore He would. Jesus said you *will* have what you say (Mark 11:23).
 - A man was discouraged with faith because he thought it was all right to say whatever he wanted to say.
 - At that point he wasn't saying anything that God could perform, but the devil could use what he was saying.
 - This man's life was in trouble because of his own words.
 - God said, "I will watch over My WORD to perform it. I put My WORD in your mouth. You speak it and I will perform it" (see Jeremiah 1:12).
 - The prophets in the First Covenant were responsible to give instructions to the people *and* to give the people things to say to please God.
 - If you obeyed the prophet, and said what he said, you prospered (2 Chronicles 20:20).

- II. God is Light, Life and Love. In Him, there is no darkness, no death and no hate.
 - "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).
 - That is a blood-backed, exceedingly great and precious promise; and if you believe it, it'll work.
 - Brother Copeland confessed his sin to The LORD. The LORD told him, *When you confessed that sin was not when I found out about it.*
 - The LORD has cleansed him, and you, of all unrighteousness.
 - Jesus said, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you" (Matthew 7:7).





- III. Follow God's direction, and you will be BLESSED.
- Jesus said, "When ye stand praying, forgive" (Mark 11:25).
 - "Judge not, and ye shall not be judged" (Luke 6:37). Judging is a huge sin in the Church.
 - Scriptures reveal that if you judge someone, you will be judged at that same level.
 - For instance, you say how you love the pastor, then criticize him.
 - You don't know the circumstances, the situation, what decisions were made, or what The LORD told him to do.
 - If you don't like anything the pastor says, find another church.
 - Wayne Cochran started pastoring and a man in his church didn't like him and was crossways with everything he said.
 - Wayne called him in and told him, "You're in the wrong sheepfold. You're like a plumber in a roofing church. You keep trying to put the toilet on top of the house, and it doesn't work."
 - Wayne introduced him to another pastor who thought like he did.
 - The man moved over there, everyone was happy, and he's no longer judging the pastor.
 - He is no longer sitting in judgment.

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You have been offered THE BLESSING of The LORD. All that you need is in THE BLESSING. Take it, receive it and use it! We are excited about your life of BLESSING. Please let us know how THE BLESSING is affecting you. Send us your testimonies by [clicking here](#), or [contact us on Facebook™](#).

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