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Title: Teach Us Your Ways Lord

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Praise God, I am going to bring to you the word that the Lord has given us and pray over it, that our hearts will hear and receive. Father, we thank you for your ongoing faithfulness. You absolutely always lead us into all truth. We stand amazed at how good you are. You are a faithful God. I thank you that you promised never to leave us, fail us, or forsake us. Thank you for your covenant, through the blood of your Son, Jesus. Thank you for your words of life. We honor them, submit to them, adhere to them, listen, and will give heed. In Jesus' name. Amen.

I brought this up a couple of weeks ago, and I will continue to undergird what He is saying. There is a voice calling, "Lead me." Holy Spirit lead me. Holy Spirit lead me, guide me, and help me. Help me, God." That voice comes from humanity and from born again ones, "Help, God." Everybody has prayed that "help" prayer at least once. Everybody has asked God for direction. Everyone has asked God for counsel. Everyone has asked God to heal them. Everybody has called upon God. Whenever you do not know God, sometimes you call upon Him to just help, right?

God hears and answers from Heaven. God is always working for our good. He is a good Father. He adores us, and He loved us before we even knew Jesus. That is the love of God, that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for the ungodly. Hallelujah, for our great salvation in Jesus Christ! We do not take that for granted. We honor that, and we encourage one another to stand fast in that grace that He has given to us.

A couple of weeks ago, Jesus woke me up in the middle of night. He spoke this word to me for us in this new season we are stepping into. He said, "Let me teach you My ways." When the Spirit speaks, when the Lord speaks, and when the Father speaks, we understand that His word is truth. His word is beautiful, powerful, and strengthening to every aspect of our lives. I encourage people that when God speaks, do not be presumptuous. Do not presume, in your own flesh, what you think He means by that. Because that is a human's first default, when God's Word speaks. We put our two bits on top of it. He says something, and we say, "Well, I know exactly what that means."

Until you go before the Lord, get on your face, and you say, "Yes, Lord," and you allow Him to speak to what He just told you, it is presumption. He warned us of this in January. He said, "Beware of presumption." He was very stern about it, and it was a warning. There are all kinds of areas that we can get into presumption over, and just default back to humanity and our own ways. What we think and how we think things should go down or happen, choices that we should make, or how it is going to be. We could go on and on. Basically, it is just pride that steps up front, before the Holy Ghost has a chance to get in there. Because, Holy Spirit will lead us into all truth.

Romans 14:17 NKJV

Matthew 6:9-13

He has asked us to pray, "Father, your Kingdom come, your will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven, that Kingdom. He says the Kingdom of God is righteousness, which is God's righteousness, not our own. Our own righteousness is as filthy rags. His is the righteousness of God that comes from Heaven. Righteousness is being right with God. You can only be made right with God through the Lord Jesus Christ, and total surrender to His Lordship.

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Righteousness is imputed by faith in Christ. We have His robes of righteousness. We have a mantle of righteousness. We have a gift of righteousness given to us, because we are right with God. Now, the Kingdom of God manifests in our lives in, with, through us, and around us. Where God is saying, "This is My way, walk in it." Yes. Where we had a propensity towards a certain iniquitous sin, and where we would always go back to that "gutter ball," is when He pulls us out. He says, "I have a brand new path for you. The Kingdom of God is righteousness. We want to delight in righteousness, but not of our own flesh or ability. Because, we can get pride in our own righteousness. You can default to pride in anything, right? Where you are so proud, and you are so humble. I am just saying, "just humans, right?" That is what it is.

The Kingdom of God is righteousness and joy. We love that peace in Holy Spirit. All this is in the Holy Spirit. It is not in our own spirit. It is not in our own flesh. It is not in our own ways, but it is all wrapped up in Holy Spirit, who has been given to us through Jesus Christ, in whom God delighted. Jesus says, "I am going to go back to Father, but Holy Spirit is going to come. I am not going to leave you as an orphan. He will come, and He will live in you. He will be in you. He is coming with fire and the baptism of Heaven which is going to bring the power and the authority and inheritance of Heaven to live inside of you." Amen. God, in us, we are the temple of the Holy Ghost.

The Kingdom of God is righteousness, peace and joy in Holy Spirit. That is the lifestyle that we have been called to. We are always growing, from faith to faith and glory to glory. All of us are still growing. One day we will be as He is. For now, we are on the journey of life. Here we go. Remember His words, "Let me teach you My ways." So now you are going to get to personalize that. You get to write that down. You get to take it to yourself. Do not go give the word to someone else first, saying, "Bless God, this is for you." You have to start with yourself. We always take the word of the Lord to ourselves, first.

Proverbs 14:12

Now again, that is humanity. "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." Because, according to Scripture, "the wages of sin is death and all have fallen short of the glory of God. All have sinned. There is none righteous, no not one." So, the only way to get in the way of the Lord is in Christ. Right? We sang all about the cross, the blood, the name and the power of God this morning. Once you are in the Kingdom of Heaven, His Kingdom righteousness, peace, and joy in Holy Spirit, is going to transform us. He is going to take what was right, or what we thought was right, the right way to walk. He is going to change it to where there is life, peace, and joy in Holy Ghost. Where it is going to produce a lot of fruit.

Isaiah 55:8-9

God says, "for my thoughts, they are not your thoughts. Nor, are your ways, my ways." Again, this is humanity. God Almighty, wants to reveal to His family and to the heirs of salvation, His thoughts and His ways. But, first we have to give up our way of thinking. That is what that is all about. God is always going to outdo us. He is always greater. He does exceedingly, abundantly above and beyond anything we could hope, think, or imagine. I am persuaded. I am convinced of this, that God is good. His love is always working in a better way. You can trust God.

Micah 4:1-2

Grant brought this up last week, as we are undergirding what He has told us. This is alluding to the latter days, and also into the millennial reign of Christ on the Earth. What a powerful promise that is being fulfilled and shall be fulfilled. Amen. This has already been fulfilled in Jesus Christ and what He has done for us on the cross through His resurrection. In Holy Spirit right now, the Kingdom in its fullness is inside of us. He said, "Do not say here, look here, or look there. The Kingdom of Heaven is within you." Already, you have this word. You have the way of God. You have the thoughts of God. You have His path. You have His dominion already

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dwelling within your spirit. You have been born again. You have been made right with God. You are a child of God, co-heir of Christ, sons and daughters of the Most High God. Kings and priests to the Lord. Ambassadors of Christ, now and in the age to come. That is already inside of us. This truth is already working in us, as His saints of God and as the church. He is already working in us to establish that Kingdom. It goes back to the original blessing in Genesis where He blessed Adam and Eve.

Genesis 1:26-28

That original blessing was restored to us when Jesus Christ got it back for us. He became perfect, and He offered Himself perfectly, before God and redeemed us through His blood. He died for us and restored us to the original dominion. That is already inside of you even before you get there. That is why Christ preached, "Repent, the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." Repent and believe in the gospel. That was it. You hear it? In this amazing passage, the highest mountain of all, is that mountain of God. The greatest place of dominion, lordship, and government is the House of the Lord. All the nations one day are going to flow into it and see it come to pass where full dominion comes back to God Almighty. Families of God coming back around, Genesis all the way back to Revelation 21:22.

Heaven on Earth, that is in us now and working for our good. He will teach us His ways. We shall walk in His paths. As you see Jesus walking before you, it is like you are walking right behind Him, right in His footsteps. He is walking in you and with you on the path. His ways are being imparted to us as we go. He is transforming the way we think. He is changing us from the inside out. This is a greater glory that is inside of us. He will teach us His ways. Thank you, God. He has given us His words. I think there is a song that talks about how Moses knew the ways of the Lord. He had that intimacy to know the ways of the Lord and be close to His heart. He knew His way and knew His thought. He was familiar with His thoughts. So in tune with His heartbeat, that he knew he was right in line with His will. Say, "Jesus, teach me your ways." It starts there.

Psalm 18:30

I love this. "As for God, His way is perfect." Now, we all agree with that. God's way is always perfect. Our flesh just does not like His way. When you argue with God, you get in conflict with yourself and anybody else around you. But, it is just this, you have to settle it in your soul. His way is perfect. God does not make mistakes. I am just saying, He is perfect. His way is perfect. He says, "Let me teach you My ways." I am going to show you a better way. I am going to show you perfection. Because, the word of the Lord is proven true. He is a shield to all who trust in Him. I think we sang about that in a song this morning.

Psalm 18:32

Did you know He is really serious about our way, our path, our call, our anointing, and everything about us? He loves us and adores us. He is for us. That is why the Apostle Paul says, "I am convinced He loves me." *You did not have* to go to seminary to get that revelation. It comes by revelation of the great Holy Ghost. Just like if the cross was not enough. Show me God. Show me how much you love me. He already did by the fact that we are created in His image and likeness.

It is astounding. He is our Father. We love Him, and He loves us. Every day you are being renewed in the way you are thinking. From going to church and religion, to a relationship with the Living God. "He arms me with strength," that is power. "He makes my way perfect." He says, "I am going to teach you My ways." So, I am going to let my ways be perfected by the Lord. His way is perfect.

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Psalm 25:9

We already addressed pride. But, the humble fear God, keep His commandments, and live. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." "With humility and the fear the Lord, come riches, honor and life." I am quoting you scripture, "with humility and the fear of the Lord, come riches, honor and life." Not fake humility. "He will guide you in the way of the Lord in justice." That is why you humble yourself before the Lord. "Submit to God, resist the devil, and he will flee from you." We humbly cry out to Him, and the "humble He will teach."

You know when you are not teachable. Do not blame your neighbor. We have all been there, right? When you are just not teachable, or you are just not listening. He does not care how many times you go around the mountain, He will teach you the same principle. Right? His word is not going to change, guys. We need to line up with it. So, I am humble to hear what God is saying. "Seek My face." My heart said, "Your face, oh, Lord, I will seek." You hear that? You humbly go before the Lord. What I am doing may be good, but there is something better. What I have may be glorious, but there is "glory to glory."

Psalm 25:12

"Who is the man who fears the Lord?" I just quoted all those scriptures. So, if I fear the Lord and put Him first, He has to be Lord of my spirit, soul, and body, finances, family, and everything about you. Fear Him, put Him first in your life, and He will teach you. He will lead you in the way that He chooses. He chooses, "For I know the plans that I have for you. Plans to prosper you. Plans to do good to you and not harm," because He is good. Wow.

Psalm 85:13

I talked about that with the footsteps walking with Him. "Righteousness will go before Him and He will make His footsteps our pathway."

Psalm 139:23-24

"Lead me in the way everlasting." So, this is an eternal work. This is not just about our number of years on the planet, before we go to Heaven. This is an eternal work, that we will be awestruck and amazed in righteousness, peace, and joy in Holy Ghost when we are eternally together and forever restored with Him. We will carry this on forever and ever and ever, amen. Amen. I am just saying, this is not just for today. You say, "Well, I have probably got about 25 more years left here until it kicks in." But, this is an everlasting way. God will be teaching us forever and ever and ever and ever... Such knowledge is too much for me. I could not even contain it. I am overwhelmed with the greatness and the goodness of Almighty God and the Son, Jesus Christ. The Lord is my shepherd, tenderly caring for the sheep, and leading us in the way of the Lord. The Spirit of God is with us, empowering us and helping us forever and ever and ever and ever. It does not change. The whole Kingdom of God is righteousness, peace and joy in Holy Ghost. That does not change.

When we get to Heaven, it is still going to be more abounding. But, right now, while we are on the planet, we need righteousness, peace and joy in Holy Spirit. He is saying He knows what is ahead of us. He is saying, "Come on over, I am going to teach you My ways." There is revelation. There is fresh counsel coming. There is knowledge coming, that you do not know yet. There is encounter coming. There is glory coming. I told you, I have my eyes fixed on the glory of the Lord. He says, I will teach you. It is not a rebuke. It is a promise. We do not want to be left outside of God's covenant, trying to figure it out. I have to be in God, in Christ. I must be born again and receive these promises. That is why the prayer at the end of that glorious chapter, Psalm 139, is amazing. "Search me, God. Know, my heart. Know, my ways. See what I am doing, and how I have been handling this. See what I need. See the increase that I need, the hope that I need, and see the power that I need. See the healing, that I need. See the joy in my heart. I want to save so many souls for Christ, but I do not know the way. I do not even

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know how to do it, but show me the way.” If you want to start a business or want to have lots of *children*, whatever it is. What do I do?

“Search me, and know my heart. Try me.” You have to go through that testing, because of fear, stress and anxiety. Our brother brought an encouraging word, “Do not be hiding in the boxes, when God has called you to be a prophet.” We judge ourselves, saying, “Well, I cannot do that send her,” but God is saying, “No you come to me, because we have to deal with those fears and stress and anxiety.” Then do what He asks us to do. Get on board and get on board quick. I know how to humble myself before God, and seek His face. That is what we have to do. This is so encouraging. Say, “God is for me.”

John 16:13-15

Now, I always encourage you to dwell in chapters, John 13-17, a lot. Teach those you disciple, your family and your children to stay there a lot. Most of all the words are in red *showing Jesus is speaking*. Christ is imparting to us His Spirit, and the promise of His way and the Holy Ghost. When I use these passages, He will lead me into all truth. He is going to lead me in the right way. He is going to build me up, strengthen me, prune me, and grant repentance to me when I need to change the way I am thinking or come out of sin. He is always working for the Father to be glorified. He says this. He says, “The Holy Ghost is going to glorify Me.” This passage is so phenomenal. The battleground is fully submitting to it, to where you are not presumptuous. You are not hanging on to the old way as old wine skins. “You cannot put new wine in an old wine skin.”

Sometimes He has to tell you that. The only time I have heard the audible voice of God wake me up in the middle of the night years ago, He said, “You cannot put new wine in an old wine skin.” Little did I know what was coming. Say, “New wine.” As we eat of His flesh and we drink of His blood in communion every day, and as you abide in Christ in His Word, you strengthen yourself in the Spirit, because you are one Spirit with the Lord Jesus. This is literally being imparted to us. “But, apart from Him, you can do nothing.” It is always drink, drink, drink my blood and eat, eat, eat my flesh. I am speaking to you in covenantal terms, “new wine.” So the old wine skin could be an old way, but He has a new way. He has a better way. God's way is always better.

Our ways are us having to scrap around to try to grasp for something, saying, “I am missing something. There has to be a better way.” How many have said that before? Something is telling you, “the way the Lord is perfect.” If we will humble ourselves, He will teach us and help us. So, I am going to start there. I am going to pray for us. I encourage you to take these words, meditate upon them, and then apply them to your life. Because this is where we are going. Do not be presumptuous. Lay it all out. Invite Him in, and let Him speak.

Let's stand up and honor His Word. Lord, I love you. We love you. We trust you. We trust you, Father. We were born for such a time as this. We are expectant. Our hearts are on fire. Our eyes are fixed on the glory of the Lord. That we would see you, and we would know you, and feel you, and encounter you in all of our ways. Then in our ways we will say, “Whoa, there you are.” I thank you for transformation, revival and renewal in the hearts of all who hear this message. Thank you that there is hope, thank you that there is love, and joy and peace in Holy Spirit. We choose to abide and remain in your Kingdom presence. We thank you and we promise to give you the glory, today. In Jesus' name, amen. Amen. God bless you. I love you.