Please God by Believing & Doing His Word

Jesus came and taught us *the way to please* our Father God. When we step out and do what the Word of God says to do, that's what pleases God. It is impossible to please God without faith, for Hebrews 11:6 says, **But without faith it is impossible to please** him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

It takes faith to act on the Word and it takes faith to be guided by the Holy Spirit, and obey the inward witness.

Obeying God means doing what the Word of God says to do, and following the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Abraham *stepped out and obeyed* God, when God told him to move, as we read in Hebrews 11:8-10: By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and went out, not knowing wither he went. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him in the same promise. For he looked for a city, which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Each believer has the Holy Spirit within them and He dwells in us to guide us and teach us. He'll do that by bringing the Word to our remembrance.

John 14:16-18, 26: And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

John 15:26: But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, *even* the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

John 16:7-14: Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on me; Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.

1 John 4:1-4: Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world. Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Don't become deceived by getting off the Word

When a believer gets off the Word, they're deceived. Because Jesus doesn't want any of His sheep to become deceived, He set an example of always appealing to the Word. Don't follow the supernatural, the signs and wonders, the miracles, the sensational, or the spectacular. Stay with the Word and you won't become deceived. The light of God's Word always conquers darkness. Darkness flees when light shows up. If you stay with the Word, you can expose Satan's deceptions every time!

Satan can do signs and wonders, as well as speak audibly: When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth

none. <u>Then he saith</u>, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth *it* empty, swept, and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation. Matthew 12:43-45

We are not to believe everything we see or hear; sign wonder, prophet or minister. Judge everything in line with God's Word:

Deuteronomy 13:1-3: If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth thee a sign or a wonder, And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them; <u>Thou shalt not hearken</u> unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Deuteronomy 18:20-22: But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die. And if thou say in thine heart, <u>How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken</u>? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that *is* the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, *but* the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

Revelation 13:11-14: And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, And <u>deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by</u> <u>the means of those</u> <u>miracles</u> which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. Matthew 24:4,5,11,24: And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no <u>man deceive you</u>. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

Galatians 6:7: <u>Be not deceived</u>; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

James 1:22: But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your <u>own selves</u>.

If a believer doesn't stay in the Word daily, they begin to become consumed with fear, doubt and unbelief. Then, Satan is able to take them captive at his will (2 Timothy 2:15-26).

Remember that God wishes above all things that you prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers (3 John 2).

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