

Getting Involved with God – Connect to Act

How exactly do we make the God-connection and get involved with the Father's business? Here are three things you must do, and all of them require faith:

- [1] **You must obey.** Abraham is called a friend of God because he obeyed God. God said, *“Abraham, I want you to move from your comfortable situation and go to a new country.”* And Abraham obeyed God. If God has been talking to you about something – just do it! Don't negotiate. If you are brave enough to step through the gate of obedience, all of heaven will be open to you. You will have heaven backing you up and a great cloud of witnesses cheering you on. In fact, God is standing at the windows of heaven right now, ready shower you with blessings - if you will but obey Him! [**Malachi 3:10**]

But obedience requires faith. ***“By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as his inheritance. And he went out not knowing where he was going.”*** [**Hebrews 11:8**] To obey God, you might not always fully understand or possess the exact details.

- [2] **You must acquire knowledge.** God Himself declared, ***“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge”*** [**Hosea 4:6**]. What you do not know can in fact hurt you! God wants you to have knowledge - information is God's business. All of heaven is involved in distributing information. Angels bring information - they are messengers of God.

The Bible is an informative manual for life. Jesus informed us of many things concerning the Father – His power, nature and thoughts about us. Faith-filled knowledge pleases God!

Hebrews 11:6 says, ***“...Without faith it is impossible to please Him; for he that comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is the rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.”*** Are you diligently seeking God? Do you have knowledge of Him and what He has provided for you? Find out what the scriptures teach or reveal. Know exactly what you are reaching out for - apply your faith! You were born to abide in every promise, and you can claim ownership wherever your foot has tread. You and I are in fact *‘the promise keepers’*, so we must acquire knowledge of what God has made available and accessible to us. Without knowledge (and faith) we cannot please Him!

- [3] **You must persevere.** By being persevering, persistent you will get God's attention. The power belongs to the persistent and insistent. Champions simply make an extra attempt! Can you imagine what the disciples must have been thinking over the ten days when they waited in the upper room? The diseased woman didn't feel like pushing her way through the crowd, but she had a goal and was persevering with it! Weren't the men who took the roof off a building to lower their friend down to Jesus persistent? Their determination paid off!

In **Luke 11:8** Jesus tells us, ***“Though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence [insistence] he will rise and give him as much as he needs.”*** Note God does not mind you pressing Him on some things! But when doing so, remember this - in all

spiritual matters *patience* and persistence are perfect partners, and they both depend on faith. ***“Those who through faith and patience inherit the promises” [Hebrews 6:12]***

Now, to reiterate, there are three things you must be and three things you must do in order to make the God-connection and engage in His affairs. You must be *hungry*; you must be *ready* and you must be *prepared*. Thereafter, you must *obey*; *acquire knowledge* and *persevere*.

Getting involved with God is the greatest privilege on this earth. Why is this? Because as you stay connected and get involved with His affairs, He is obliged to stay connected and get involved with your affairs. WOW!!!