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“LASTING HAPPINESS IS FOUND THROUGH OBEDIENCE”

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Psalm 42:1-2a (NCV): *“As a deer thirsts for streams of water, so I thirst for you, God. I thirst for the living God...”*

James 1:19-27 (NIV): *“My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, for man's anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you. Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it--he will be blessed in what he does.”*

HOW LASTING HAPPINESS IN YOUR LIFE IS FOUND THROUGH OBEDIENCE...

James 23-25 NIV): *“Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it--he will be blessed in what he does.”*

It's all about OBEDIENCE.

v. 22: *“Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.”*

THREE KEY ATTITUDES TO DEVELOP WITH GOD

James 1:19 (NIV): *“My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,”*

1. Learn to become an ACTIVE LISTENER.

v. 19: *“Everyone should be quick to listen...”*

2. Learn to SPEAK WITH PATIENCE AND HUMILITY.

v. 19: *“Everyone should be...slow to speak...”*

3. Learn to always KEEP MY MIND OPEN to God’s Word.

v. 19: *“...Everyone should be...slow to become angry,”*

v. 20 (NLT): *“Human anger does not produce the righteousness God desires.”*

TO DEVELOP THESE ATTITUDES THAT LEAD TO GREATER OBEDIENCE TO JESUS CHRIST...

1. Get rid of the MORAL FILTH AND EVIL IN MY LIFE.

v. 21 (NIV): *“Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.”*

Ephesians 4:22-24 (TLB): *“then throw off your old evil nature—the old you that was a partner in your evil ways—rotten through and through, full of lust and sham. Now your attitudes and thoughts must all be constantly changing for the better. Yes, you must be a new and different person, holy and good. Clothe yourself with this new nature.”*

Proverbs 5:21 (NIV): *“For your ways are in full view of the Lord, and he examines all your paths.”*

Proverbs 5:23 (NIV): *“For lack of discipline they will die, led astray by their own great folly.”*

1 John 1:9 (NIV): *“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”*

Mark 1:15 (NIV): *"The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!"*

2. In HUMILITY receive God's Word.

v. 21: *"...humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you."*

Matthew 5:5 (AMP): *"Blessed (happy, blithesome, joyous, spiritually prosperous—with life-joy and satisfaction in God's favor and salvation, regardless of their outward conditions) are the meek (the mild, patient, long-suffering), for they shall inherit the earth!"*