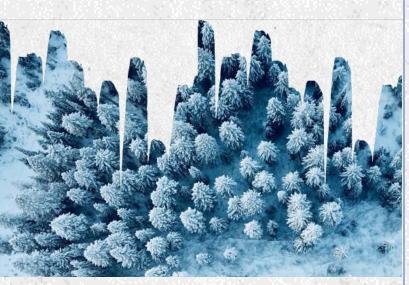
HIGHER GLORY What Should I Do to Make God Appear For Me as 'the Lord Almighty'?

Ans.:

"BE ANCHORED IN THE VINE"

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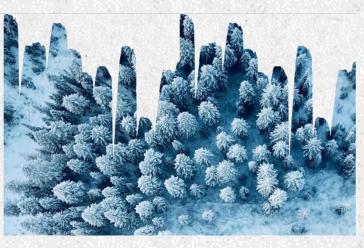
Higher Glory:

It is the year of the LORD's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort and provide for those who *mourn in Zion*.

- Those who are hungry, thirsty, waiting, expecting, etc.

To give everyone a beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint or heavy spirit. - All done to display His glory.

(Isaiah 61:3)



TEXTS: HAGGAI 2:9 (NIV)

⁹ 'The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house,' says the LORD Almighty. 'And in this place I will grant peace,' declares the LORD Almighty."

2 CORINTHIANS 3:18

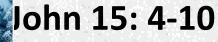
¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, **just as by the Spirit** of the Lord. (The transformation journey is by the Holy Spirit).

Ephesians 3:20-21

"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, <u>according to His power that is at work within us</u>, be the glory throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen"

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"4Remain in Me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in Me. 5"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in Me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing."...

"8This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples." ..."10 If you keep My commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in His love.



Sad thing is that , many start off with great love for God but as they are challenged by the pressures of life, they doubt if God is real.

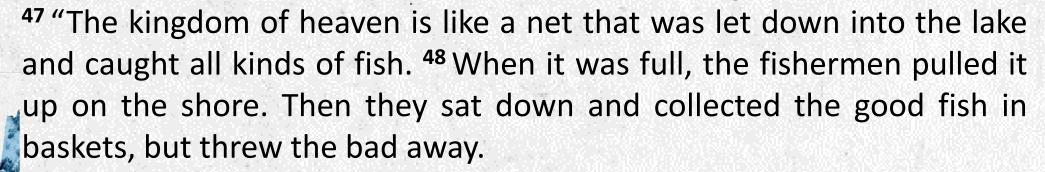
But both the challenges of life and possible doubts in the hearts of men are not new occurrences, they exist in the bible. In Matthew 24:12-13, the Lord said, "12 Because of the multiplication of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold. 13But the one who perseveres to the end will be saved."

And some Christians try to play safe – Neither here nor there! Revelation 3:15

¹⁵ I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! ¹⁶ So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.

As a Christian, we must take our stand. It is dangerous to keep comparing how I work with God with how others work with Him.

In Matthew 13: 47- -50, Jesus told a parable, describing the kingdom of God as a the NET



⁴⁹ This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 7:21 "Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter."

Romans 2:13 "It is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but it is the doers of the law who will be declared righteous."

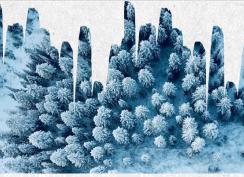


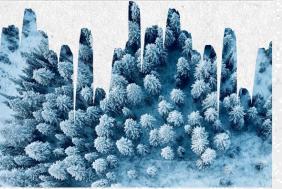
"BE ANCHORED IN THE VINE."

People who are anchored on the vine no longer run this race comparing themselves with others or focusing on the pressures of life. They run the race pursuing the word that God has spoken to them directly. They see something that others don't see. And they diligently finish well.

In Matthew 14, Jesus Walked on the Water and Empowered Peter to walk on the same Water also.

²² Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowd. ²³ After He had dismissed them, He went up on a mountainside by Himself to pray. Later that night, He was there alone, ²⁴ and the boat was already in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves because the wind was against it. ²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw Him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. ²⁷ But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." ²⁸ "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ "Come," He said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out His hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" ³² And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³ Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."





There are lesson we learn from this page:

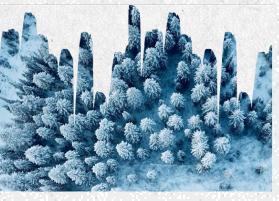
1. "You are in the world but not of the world".

Once you are born again, you are out of the ordinary world. You are now sent back into the world differently (even while using your skills).

In Mathew 4:18-20 "18As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 19"Come, follow Me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." 20And at once they left their nets and followed Him."

By Acts 2, Peter has become a great fisher of men.

³⁸ Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit...⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and <u>about three</u> thousand were added to their number that day.



lesson (contd.):

2. Because you are not of the world, there will be wild winds, temptations and storms. But just know that Jesus is not far from you. He sent you out but He knows where you are and He will not fail to come to you on time.

In John 17: 15-16, Jesus prayed "**15**I am not asking that You take them out of the world, but that You keep them from the evil one. **16**They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. **17**Sanctify them by the truth; Your word is truth.

- Protect them from the evil one
- Keep speaking your word to them

I will never leave you or forsake you. (Hebrews 13:5) surely I am with you always, even to the end of the age. (Matthew 28:20) Do not fear, I will help you (Isiah 41:13)

In Psalm 23:4, David said:

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me."

John 17: 17Sanctify them by the truth; Your word is truth.

When Jesus sends us back into the world, He gives us specific word on what we should be doing. And the Spirit of God guides us along that path, revealing all the truth in the path. **It is important we get our own word.**

We saw in Matthew 18: 19 that Jesus said to Peter "Come, follow Me," "and I will make you fishers of men.

By Acts 2:41, Peter preached a sermon that got about 3000 people added to their number that day.

In John 8, ³¹ Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

It means the word did not leave Peter. He brought it to pass through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 1: 4 "Jesus commanded the disciples not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," *He said*, you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

3. If we are not firmly anchored on the vine, we will be terrified by every wind, so much so that we won't even recognize when God appears for you. Matthew 14: ²⁶ When the disciples saw Jesus walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

4. If you slip, quickly get yourself together and be anchored Peter, like others, was initially afraid but he was the only one who quickly got himself together and anchored.

"Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." ²⁸ "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ "Come," He said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus.

5. Keep your eyes away from the problem and focus on Jesus nad the word ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out His hand and caught him.

6. When we anchored in the vine – Jesus into your boat, every storm calms! "³² when Jesus climbed into the boat, the wind died down."

How do we, therefore, ensure that we are anchored in the vine? "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God." (Colossians 3:16)



Paul said

"Not only did the message of the Lord ring out from you to (others), but your faith in God has gone out to every place, so that we have no need to say anything more. (**1 Thessalonians 1:8**)

"If you keep My commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in His love." (John 15:10)

LET US BE ANCHORED IN THE VINE.

GOD BLESS YOU!