TEXT: Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

⁵Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶ in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

MSG VERSION

Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; He's the one who will keep you on track. Don't assume that you know it all. Run to God! Run from evil! Your body will glow with health, your very bones will vibrate with life! Honor God with everything you own; give him the first and the best. Your barns will burst, your wine vats will brim over.

But don't, dear friend, resent God's discipline; don't sulk under his loving correction. It's the child he loves that God corrects; a father's delight is behind all this.

I Corinthians 4:8-9 MSG

8 You already have all you need. You already have more access to God than you can handle. Without bringing either Apollos or me into it, you're sitting on top of the world - at least God's world - and we're right there, sitting alongside you!

I5 There are a lot of people around who can't wait to tell you what you've done wrong, but there aren't many fathers willing to take the time and effort to help you grow up.

Those who through FAITH and the RIGHT MINDSET crafted a message they stood on that took them through...

Jesus: Crafted Messages (guiding principles/ideology)

John 5:30: I can do nothing by Myself; I judge only as I hear. And My judgment is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

John 5:36: But I have testimony more substantial than that of John. For the works that the Father has given Me to accomplish --the very works I am doing--testify about Me that the Father has sent Me.

John 6:38: For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but to do the will of Him who sent Me.

John 8:29: He who sent Me is with Me. He has not left Me alone, because I always do what pleases Him."

Result: Jesus prayed to God "I glorified you on earth By completing down to the last detail What you

assigned me to do. And now, Father, glorify me with your very own splendor, The very splendor I had in your presence Before there was a world."

Philippians 2:9-11

9Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name above all names, I 0that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

MSG

9-11 Because of that obedience, God lifted him high and honored him far beyond anyone or anything, ever, so that all created beings in heaven and on earth—even those long ago dead and buried—will bow in worship before this Jesus Christ, and call out in praise that he is the Master of all, to the glorious honor of God the Father.

Paul Crafted Message, Guiding Principle/Ideology

Philippians 2:12-14 "Continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling. I3For it is God who works in you to will and to act on behalf of His good pleasure. I4Do everything without complaining or arguing."

I Corinthians 15:10 "But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace to me was not in vain. No, I worked harder than all of them--yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.

Hebrews 13: "20Now may the God of peace, .., 21 equip you with every **good thing to do His will**. And may He accomplish in us what is pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Result: "⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the

righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing."

PETER

Matthew 16: I6Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." I7Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by My Father in heaven. I8And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it

Acts 4:8-12 "11 Jesus is "the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone."

¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

DAVID' MESSAGE "it is not by sword or spear that the LORD saves"

Acts 13:22 says, "After removing Saul, He made David their king. He testified concerning him: I have found David son of Jesse a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do."

David's commitment to do everything God told him to do shaped his ideology to be:

Humble, Reverent, Respectful, Trusting, Loving, Devoted, Recognition, Faithful, Obedient, Repentant, Not Bitter-minded, worshiper, Hardworking and Committed.

These guiding principles/ideology informed David's book of Psalms.

Leadership:

I Samuel 17

⁴⁵ David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46 This day the LORD will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel. ⁴⁷ All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the LORD saves; for the battle is the LORD's, and he will give all of you into our hands."

RESULT: God rewarded him as a man after His hear.

JOSEPH

Crafter Ideology: Genesis 39:9: "How could I sin against God?" LEADERSHIP RESULT: **Genesis 41:**³⁸ So Pharaoh asked his officials, "Can we find anyone else like this man so obviously filled with the spirit of God?" ³⁹ Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Since God has revealed the meaning of the dreams to you, clearly no one else is as intelligent or wise as you are. ⁴⁰ You will be in charge of my court, and all my people will take orders from you. Only I, sitting on my throne, will have a rank higher than yours."

"I hereby put you in charge of the entire land of Egypt." ⁴³ he had Joseph ride in the chariot reserved for his second-incommand. So Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of all Egypt. ⁴⁴ And Pharaoh said to him, "I am Pharaoh, but no one will lift a hand or foot in the entire land of Egypt without your approval."

CONCLUSION

What Is My Own Message?

What Is Your Own Message?

What Are We Asking God Along The Way Because Of Our Own Message – Re We Specific?

Bible Says We Don't Get Because We Don't Ask

2018 PRAYER POINTS

- I. Pray over the message of today. Ask God to give each of us a crafted ideology/message of faith and the grace to trust God in full
- 2. Pray that KCM will continue to fulfil its mandate as "the house of prayer for all nations" (Isaiah 56:7), extending God's love to all the nations.
- 3. Prayer for the Leadership of Nations and pray for upcoming elections ...
- a. Pray against corruption and corruptive minds/practices in our nations
- b. Ask God to turn the hearts of leaders Himself so they can trust God in full
 - c. Ask God to give leaders humility for service and committed heart for citizens.
 - 4. Commit Troubles/Wars in nations into God's hands and ask God to cleanse our environments so people will freely serve God.
- 5. Ask God to have mercy, forgive our sins & rid our land of calamities (2 Chro 7:13-18).
- 6. Pray for Ministers and Missionaries for grace to trust God in full.
- 7. Pray: Marriages, Children and families stay together and trust God in full.
- 8. Pray for Members of the fellowship ideology/grace to trust God in full.
- 9 Needs in fellowship & and any special request we have not covered 10. Ask for God's unmerited favours and grace this week and pray for next Sunday.