



SONSHIP... THEN DISCIPLESHIP

MARK 1:9-11

MARK 1:9 [NKJV] It came to pass in those days *that* Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

MARK 1:10 [NKJV] And immediately, coming up from the water, He [JESUS] saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove.

MARK 1:11 [NKJV] Then a voice came from heaven, “YOU ARE MY BELOVED SON, IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED.”

MATTHEW 28:18 And Jesus
came and spoke to them,
saying, “All authority has
been given to Me in heaven
and on earth.

MATTHEW 28:19 Go therefore
and make disciples of all the
nations, BAPTIZING THEM in
the name of the Father
and of the Son and
of the Holy Spirit,

**MATTHEW 28:20 TEACHING
THEM to observe all things
that I have commanded you;
and lo, I am with you
always, even to the end of
the age.” Amen.**



*FROM TIME TO TIME... I USE
PHRASES ABOUT SONSHIP LIKE
“IN CHRIST THE HOPE OF GLORY”
THAT INDICATES A BIBLE TRUTH
THAT IS SOMETIMES MISSED OR
NOT MADE A PRIORITY.*

COLOSSIANS 1:27 To them God
willed to make known what are
the riches of the glory of this
mystery among the Gentiles:
WHICH IS CHRIST IN YOU,
THE HOPE OF GLORY.



1. LEARNED BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT...

MATTHEW 7:21

**MATTHEW 7:21 “NOT EVERYONE
who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’
shall enter the kingdom
of heaven, BUT HE WHO
DOES THE WILL OF MY FATHER
IN HEAVEN...”**



Much of what is called
discipleship today is...
**LEARNED BEHAVIOUR
MANAGEMENT.**



*Discipleship cannot begin
where Sonship has not
been established.*



You cannot train someone to
walk as a son... *if they still*
believe they are a servant
**HOPING TO PERFORM TO BE
ACCEPTED.**



Jesus did not come to
improve our performance...
*He came to restore our
position.*

**GALATIANS 4:6 And because
you are sons, God has sent
forth THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON
INTO YOUR HEARTS, crying
out, “Abba, Father!”**



2. RELATIONSHIP... *BEFORE RESPONSIBILITY*

MARK 4:11

MARK 4:11 And He said to them,
“TO YOU IT HAS BEEN GIVEN
TO KNOW THE MYSTERY OF THE
KINGDOM OF GOD;
but to those who are outside, all
things come in parables,



ADAM... From the beginning,
God WALKED with Adam
before... He ever asked him
to WORK *in the garden*.



ISRAEL... was DELIVERED from
Egypt... before **THE LAW** was
given.



JESUS... was baptized and
AFFIRMED AS THE BELOVED
SON... *before* He performed
a single miracle.



3. SONSHIP... *REMOVES CONTROL*

JOHN 17:3

JOHN 17:3 And this is eternal life, THAT THEY MAY KNOW YOU, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.



PEOPLE COME INTO CHURCH
AND LEARN TO DO
SOMETHING... WITHOUT
BEING SOMEONE.



WE DO NOT FOLLOW JESUS
TO BECOME SONS...

We follow Jesus because
WE ARE SONS.



4. IN SONSHIP ... TRUTH MATTERS

JOHN 8:31-32

JOHN 8:31 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, *“If you abide [LIVE IN RELATIONSHIP] in My word, you are My disciples indeed.*



JOHN 8:32 AND YOU SHALL
KNOW THE TRUTH,
AND THE TRUTH SHALL
MAKE YOU FREE."



TRUTH IS A PERSON...

JESUS CHRIST!



JOHN 15:4 Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless *it abides in the vine*, NEITHER CAN YOU, unless you abide in Me.



I AM NOT FOLLOWING
JESUS TO BE LOVED... *I am*
following Jesus because I
am loved.



I am not trying to EARN my place. I am learning how to *LIVE FROM MY POSITION AS A SON OR A DAUGHTER!*



**FROM THAT PLACE,
everything changes.
SONSHIP... FIRST.
THEN... DISCIPLESHIP.
ALWAYS IN THAT ORDER!**



ALL THE MEN SAY...

I AM A SON!



ALL THE WOMEN SAY...

I AM A DAUGHTER!

