God's Calm

In the Struggle and Trouble

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Psalms 23:1-6 NIV

5 seats at my table:

Guilt/Shame – Resolved / Unresolved
Conflict/Offense – Resolved / Unresolved
Troubling Concerns – Resolved / Unresolved
Aspirations – Resolved / Unresolved
Decisions – Resolved / Unresolved

THREAD

The BIG surprise for many of us is that God WANTS us to experience HIS calm.

2 Kinds:

- 1. Aspiration to be FREE of an entanglement.
 - 1. Level 1
 - He forgave me
 - 2. Next Level
 - I'm forgiven! NOW WHAT!
- 2. Aspiration to make a greater IMPACT
- 1 Chronicles 4:9-10
- Jesus extends this same expectation/invitation to you:
- 1 John 4:32-38 (Jesus impacting others)
- Food for your soul is when you help others experience God.
- Jabez was hungry.
- Luke 12:15-21 (Jesus on WHAT we impact others with)
- We impact people with our TREASURE.
- Matthew 25:31-43 (Jesus on WHAT we impact others with)
- We impact people with our TIME and TALENTS.

- The CHURCH, God's people are a people engaged to His Kingdom work – people.

IMPACT!

- 1. Individual efforts
 - A. Fruit of the Spirit
 - 1. Galatians 5:22-23 "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."
 - 2. Give it away!
 - **B.** Time and Talents
- 2. Our 'together' efforts as His church
 - 1. What God honoring things can we do together?
 - 2. What is in your hands that God has given you so you can make a Kingdom impact?
 - Serving with your Time and Talent.
 - Tithe 10%.

Challenge:

- What will I aspire to do with my TIME and TALENTS to impact others you have called me to?
- What will I aspire to give of my TREASURE to impact others you have called me to?
- What does the NEXT LEVEL of impact look like FOR me?

CHECK OUT THESE FREE ONLINE RESOURCES:

STUDIES BY DOUG BRITTON:

Overcome Guilt and Shame: Part 1

www.dougbrittonbooks.com/resources/gods-forgiveness

Overcome Guilt and Shame: Part 2

www.dougbrittonbooks.com/resources/not-bad-person

Overcome Guilt and Shame: Part 3

www.dougbrittonbooks.com/resources/inappropriate-guilt

SUMMIT UP DEVOTIONALS:

https://heightschurchonline.com/daily-devotionals/