



WORD OF FAITH INT'L CHRISTIAN CENTER

TEACHING THE WORD. DOING THE WORK. TOUCHING THE WORLD.

How Things Work, Part 8

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Opening Summary

Focused attention should be given to having faith in the power of God so you are not deceived. Incline yourself to God's Word and avoid or resist two of the underlying reasons for covid-19 and any other illness. By faith in the name, authority and character of Jesus Christ, and the power of His written Word, God always provides victory! You will see in this lesson how it is required that Christians pray for divine direction, obey God, stand for righteousness, and then pray for a great harvest of people to be born again.

- I. Blaze News gave two of the underlying conditions for severe covid-19: Obesity and Fear/anxiety.
 - A. Obesity produces many health problems such as diabetes, high blood pressure, etc. 80% of all cases are people 65 years and older or who have underlying conditions that are the result of obesity.
 1. Glorify God in your body by keeping it healthy (1 Cor. 3:16).
 - a. Faith requires obedience to the Word of God (Jam 1:22).
 - b. You deceive yourself when you do not obey all His commands.
 - c. The Lord said to me that He wants me to keep my body healthy for Him. He wants me to be a spokesperson to tell others the truth. And he wants me to last many years. It's the same for you.
 - d. We keep our bodies healthy for God to use us to bless others.
 - e. If we defile our body, sickness develops (1 Cor. 3:17; Gal 6:7).
 - f. We need to consider what we eat, why we eat and when we eat.
 - 1) What we eat: Unhealthy foods create illness.
 - 2) Why we eat: We like it; we mask emotions.
 - 3) When we eat: The body loves to eat late at night and sleep on it.
 - 4) How do things work? Things work through obeying God's Word.
 - g. Drastic times require drastic measures (Pro. 23:1-2).
 - 1) It's not about being an Olympic athlete. But don't brush this off.
 - 2) *Little* means *a little while* (1 Tim 4:8). You must exercise every day.
 - B. The second underlying cause, according to Blaze News, is anxiety and fear.
 1. More than ever before, technology enables us to be daily bombarded with fear, anxiety, strife, worry and death.
 2. Fear has punishment; fear is the opposite of faith (1 John 4:18).
 - a. Fear will punish your body, emotions and mind.
 - b. Faith produces peace, grace and power.
 - c. Fear leads to anxiety which can lead to things like covid-19.
 3. Fear must be resisted (1 Pet. 5:9; James 4:7).

- a. Cast your care and anxiety upon Him (1 Pet. 5:6-9).
 - b. Some people can't handle listening to the media all day.
 - c. Before you know it, you (and children) have internalized anxiety.
 - d. Everyone is different.
4. Made whole refers to the whole human system (Luke 8:50). Fear produces sickness in spirit, soul and body (John 17:17, 10:10).
- a. You can't use faith to cover what you're not doing.
 - b. The slavery spirit brings fear. Receive the spirit of sonship (Rom 8:15).
 - c. This whole thing is about fear of death (Heb. 2:14-15).
 - d. When we say faith, we mean your belief in the efficacy of the Bible.
 - e. Faith and fear both have the same five elements: hear, receive, believe, speak, act.
 - f. If all you hear, receive and believe is fear, you will speak it and act on it.
 - g. Fear yields sickness, lack, death; faith yields life, health, and prosperity.
 - h. Faith is based on truth (John 17:17).
 - i. Fear is based on deception (John 8:44).
5. Jesus said in the end of days deception would be the #1 tool that rules in the earth; Deception is doing something nice on one side while doing something evil on the other side (Mat. 24; Luke 21:26).

II. There is a new religion: The religion of *safety*.

- A. Benjamin Franklin said, "If you give up essential liberty for temporary safety, you get neither liberty nor safety."
- B. The Declaration of Independence says God has given us inalienable rights.
 - 1. "*Inalienable rights*" means your rights cannot be transferred to someone else.
 - 2. Life is a right, inside and outside the womb.
 - 3. Liberty (freedom) is a right.
 - 4. The pursuit of happiness is the right to go after happiness.

III. Do your homework: get both sides, study, pray, follow God's peace (Col. 3:15).

- A. *Bishop did not say* the vaccine is the mark of the beast.
- B. This is about the system growing up around it.
- C. We are the first generation that can fulfil the prophecy.
- D. There will be a one-world government in the west (Dan. 10:14; 11:37).
- E. Before the church is taken up, some will fall away from the faith (2 Thes. 2:1-3).
- F. *Bishop did not say* the shot is the mark of the beast (Rev. 13:15)!
 - 1. I'm saying, today it is possible for this to happen (Rev. 13:16).
 - 2. It's possible to keep people from participating in the economy (Rev. 13:17).
- G. The Lord assigned us (Keith Butler Ministries) to minister in Europe where they now have vaccine passports. French law says you cannot go to a movie theater or anywhere unless you have a passport that says you've taken the vaccine.
- H. This is how you control large masses of people.
- I. Today, if grocery stores shut down, there would be mass starvation.

- IV. Be very concerned when you see control mechanisms such as government documents required to move about.
- A. Besides God, the most precious thing you have is individual freedom.
 - B. The best way to enslave a large population is to use a medical emergency.
 - 1. They use fear to promote safety.
 - 2. That device was used in every attempt to accomplish world slavery.
 - C. We will have prayer every month until the Lord says otherwise (1 Tim. 2:1-4).
 - D. Our world is on the verge of going one way or the other.
 - E. They are saying preaching the Bible is “hate speech.”
 - F. It’s happening right now in Canada and parts of Europe.
 - G. They will come after you about the Bible, your children (through schools, etc.).
 - H. Satan understands there is no difference between God and His Word. He’s dumb enough he think he can win.
- V. God always warns the body of Christ: He that has ears to hear will hear what Spirit says to Church.
- 1. Don’t be lazy. Inherit the promises by applying the five elements of faith and not being moved by contrary evidence (Heb. 6:12).
 - 2. Be patient (Mark 4:26-29).
 - a. Sleep and rise night and day: Go to bed, get up, praise the Lord.
 - b. The seed springs up: Eventually the power of God produces harvest.
 - 3. Don’t dig up your seed by saying what you see (Mark 11:23-24).
 - A. There is a bumpy road coming, the Lord wants me to tell you.
- VI. Faith doesn’t keep silent.
- A. The Germans cheered Hitler on because did a lot of great things, one of which was that he fixed the economy.
 - B. At the same time, while they weren’t looking, he did things to take away their freedom. Those things especially affected the Jews.
 - C. As long as it wasn’t personal, the Christians stayed quiet until it was too late.
 - D. In all of history, a common strategy to rule the world is to create a scapegoat – someone to hate upon whom the people would focus.
 - E. Because the Christians kept silent, their country was destroyed.
 - F. The Christians reaped what they had sown (1 Tim. 6:10).

Closing Summary

Take heed to the Lord’s warning. Do what He’s called you to do. Focus on avoiding or resisting two of the underlying reasons for sickness and disease, including covid-19, by fixating on the fact that God loves you so much that through the blood of Jesus Christ, He gave you the way to resist every sickness, every disease and every plague. Have ears to hear when He speaks. Obey Him, stand for righteousness, and pray for a great harvest of people to be born again. In turn, your life will be filled with God’s blessing. That’s how things work!