

Naturalization

Our Master taught us to seek first His kingdom and His righteousness.

Seeking means you have to apply yourself in all of your gifting. We were chosen to function in this gifting. When we were in the world we used this gifting but no matter how good we were, it was not building up the kingdom. We used it to provide for ourselves and our families, which is all right in the world; it is natural, instinctive. We used our gifts to get along in the world. Like David Israel was a baker in the world. He made a living through it. He sought first his own kingdom. It was good because he could work by the sweat of his brow - he didn't need to be on welfare. God put that into him as a natural human being.

But in Matt. 6:31,32 our God says to not do that anymore. He says to come out of the world where we seek first our own kingdom. Now that you know God, you don't need to worry about food and clothing anymore. Now God's grace channels our gifts into positive ways, into building up the kingdom. Now, if we are saved we use those gifts for the building up of the kingdom. You are going to be even more and more zealous to build up His kingdom and promote His righteousness than you did when you worked for yourself. It is good that people in the world have security and work for it, but as a disciple we have to give this up. If YAHSHUA is our King and our security, we have to give our security up. We have eternal security. If we want that security we have to give up our own security.

Matt. 6:31,32 There are people who work seven days a week. They probably will die young to get a lot of money. If those people work with a good motive and are not totally greedy about it - help those in need, provide for their own, don't take welfare, it is okay.

Make life and loyalty to Him the object of all your endeavor and you will get the other things as well. All our gifting, all our time, all our energy goes into building up the kingdom not just for our own food and clothing. Of course we are more zealous, energetic now than we were in the world. Titus 2:14

We don't think about food and clothing but about what we can do to build up the kingdom. Otherwise our gifting would be misplaced. Like there are several people in Rhode Island now who work night and day in the print shop, building up the kingdom. (That's all that Michael Skinner does. The brother who wrote the "Wish you were here" paper, a marvelous paper. He is a marvelous brother and servant.) The Holy Spirit makes you zealous.

Now we are naturalized citizens of the kingdom of God. You have to become naturalized when you come into another country. You have to take on its ways and customs. We came out of the world into the kingdom of YAHSHUA through our confession - I'll make the object of all my endeavors the kingdom of heaven. That's what naturalization is. We have greater zeal for the kingdom of God now than for the kingdom of Satan.