

I die daily......

I think often about the scriptures that say, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him". If only the world we live in would acknowledge God. The world I see is guided more by greed and the seeking of pleasure. But "what if", right? What if our politicians considered God in all of their decisions? Would there be a change in our laws? What if the police considered God in all of their actions, would the events we have watched unfold have taken place? And while I am on the "What if's" – What if the rioters that destroyed businesses had considered God in their behaviors? What if World leaders considered God and His ways? What if the businesses in our nations considered God, what would prices be like then, or the quality of the products we buy? What if the food industry acknowledged God......what would the quality of the food be, that the masses are eating? Would we be healthier physically? How much would this nation prosper if it acknowledged God?

If you know anything about God at all, and you know anything about His ways, you know that "if" all of these people would acknowledge God, in would make a great difference. It was the difference maker for the nation of Israel. What if you and I acknowledge God in all of our ways?

Are you married? Do you apply the ways of God to your marriage? Are you a parent? What about your parenting, is it based on Godly principles? When you begin to take in this scripture for all it's meaning, it really begins to shed some light on things. God wants to direct our paths not because He is the "great dictator" in the sky. No.....it's not even close. He wants to order our steps because He wants what is absolutely best. It's His love for us and His desire to see us prosper that leads to what He says.

When my steps are ordered by the Lord, I am going to represent Him in a much greater way. When I represent Him to the world around me, it makes a difference in the lives of the people I care about, the ones that He loves even more than me. How I conduct myself in life, if He is acknowledged, is certainly much different than if I don't. When I acknowledge God throughout my day, it often changes decisions I make. We all are face to face at times with the scriptures that say "be angry and sin not". How we handle anger with an acknowledgement of God will most certainly differ from the way we would if we didn't.

When we put the word of God in front of us, and we walk in a sensitivity to the Spirit of God? Our paths will change, we end up doing right over wrong, we choose light over darkness. Think about the enemies that we are protected from, the trials that might have been, that are not. It's the difference between strength and weakness.

It's a choice to seek God with our whole heart. We call Him Lord......and He asks us the question, "Why do you call me Lord, Lord but don't do what I say". And we just keep peeling back the layers of this scripture. Because to acknowledge God in all that we are doing, is a recognition of His Lordship of our lives. Many of our politicians, our business, many-many-many people, don't acknowledge His Lordship......it's just that simple Jesus is not Lord and thus decisions

are made with no thought of "what does God say about this?". It's about "What do I want?" or "what does society think?". What does God say about that? – "Don't get caught up in the empty ways of thinking of the world."

Is Jesus your Lord? Are you acknowledging God in "ALL" of your ways? If not – today is a good day to start. I promise it will have a great impact on your life.

God bless --- Pastor Paul

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The ark of the covenant of the Lord went before them to search out a resting place for them, Num. 10:33

My times are in thy hand. Psa. 31:15

He shall choose our inheritance for us. Psa. 47:4

Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness; ... make thy way straight before my face. Psa. 5:8

Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. Psa. 37:5

In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Prov. 3:6

Thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left. <u>Isa.</u> <u>30:21</u>

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters. Psa. 23:1, 2

Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him. For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust. <u>Psa.</u> <u>103:13</u>, <u>14</u>

Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. Matt. 6:32

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. I Pet. 5:7