

Voice of Triumph



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"He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding; but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly." Proverbs 14:29

DON'T BREAK FAITH -- BE LOYAL TO WHO AND WHAT YOU BELIEVE

Yielding a meek and quiet spirit unto God is the most valuable gift we can bring. This reasonable service equates to true worship. John 3:30 summarizes your affirmation as a true worshipper. "He [God] must increase, but I must decrease." In this equation, there will always be more of God than you. Two uncommon traits — quietness and meekness — are unmistakable qualities that are indeed irresistible to God. Quietness demonstrates your hearing of God's voice above all other voices. You learn to walk softly before the Lord at all times, expecting dialogue between the two of you in a variety of forms. You perk up your inner ear to listen. Meekness demonstrates your honor of God's voice above all other voices. Your intentions are always to obey God's prompts without any delay. John 10:4,5 "And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers." The more quality time you spend with the Lord, you will be able to discern his prompts in the light of day or even in the darkest part of the night. In conclusion, you become intimately acquainted with all his ways because you postured yourself to never miss his leading. One of the bible translations records that Moses broke faith. In other words, Moses drilled a hole between his lines of communications between heaven and earth when he chose unbelief as his option. Because of the ongoing strife with the children of Israel, he emotionally repositioned his own decisions, i.e., striking the rock twice with the rod, above God's immutable counsel, i.e., speaking to the rock to break tradition. Moses overruled the clear, concise directions of God— which is without question, insubordination. God's instructions to you may be illogical by human standards, e.g. speak to the rock and it will bring forth living water, but nonetheless, achievable. God always performs the impossible part of all miracles, while you demonstrate the possible, which is always possible. At that moment you decide whether or not you will become pliable in the Lord's hands. Where there is no regard for the voice of God, his influence begins to fade and eventually becomes faint until you can't even discern he is speaking to you at all. That doesn't mean he stops trying to get through to you, because he never quits trying to help you choose the best for your life. This is where you need to acknowledge a seared conscience — your main circuit is disconnected from the Source of eternal, resurrection, and abundant life. With any interruption, interference, or interception, there won't be a flow of inspiration, instruction, or intelligence for your life-path. Trust me; you want the rivers of God perpetually overflowing in and around you. If you inadvertently missed God's directions or even purposely overrode his counsel, readily ask for his mercy right now, as well as, readily receive his forgiveness right now. This ensures you have sealed the breach in your relationship with a loving heavenly Father. God never designs temptation. However, he promises to simultaneously make a way of escape to choose instead of yielding to the temptation. With this in mind, always look to have the divine advantage. On the opposite side, yielding to the temptation can potentially have an undesirable end that may not be easily reversed, if at all. Where Moses exhibited great discipline in his past, he now overthrew his own future on earth. Unfortunately, Moses never fully experienced the reward of all his labor, i.e., leading the children of Israel into the promised land. Your greatest strength will become your greatest weakness, when you stop doing your greatest strength. Numbers 12:3 records this, "(Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)" However, one act quickly marred that distinction. Breakthrough for Moses was present before it was needed, but he was intent on giving the Israelites a piece of his mind. Therefore, he used his words to pierce them with the sword, rather than show them how to embrace health for themselves and households, and wealth for the work of the hands and their substance. Originally, God designed a tailor-made word for their due season. It was first-hand instruction to God's people on how to command their own deliverances with their own mouth, so they wouldn't have to depend on what they saw, 'the rod', as a mediator for their salvation. Calling things that be not, as though they were, was and still is a lifestyle of dominion that ushers God's people into the high places. Entreat God's wisdom. You will discover it is incomparable to just mere schemes. Be influenced by the greater voice, never by the lesser echoes. Daily enacting scriptures like Psalm 143:8 will help you hear and honor God's voice. "Cause me to hear thy loving kindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust; cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee."

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Thought for Transformation

The Word equips us to master potential conflicts. The advice in James 1:19, 20 says to be 1) quick to hear [your conscience – the small, still voice within which many call following your first mind], 2) be slow to speak [offenses], and 3) be slow to wrath [to be quick to extend mercy, instead of judgment. "And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible." I Corinthians 9:25. Intemperance is a breeding ground for failure because there is no pause only a short fuse.

Yes, More Than Conquerors
God's anger is only momentary and in his favor is life. Although God's righteous judgments are in the earth, he extends his mercy, therefore forgiveness. If God showed judgment instead, we would never recover from any loss. Preferring mercy, God's victory for us demonstrates an everlasting love: If you lose, he loses. If you win, he wins. We are not a sheep accounted for the slaughter: Whether faced with tribulation, distress, persecution, famine, nakedness, peril, or the sword, we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. Romans 8th chapter validates this incorruptible crown for us.