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**Slice of Life**

Philippians 3:3-5 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh. (4) Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more: (5) Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; (KJV)

I recently heard a statement made that has resonated in me: quote “the outward realm we live in is just a shadow of the reality which is located in the spiritual realm”. The truth of God’s existence is not in what we see, hear, touch, smell or any other carnal sense that we have lived by in the past, rather the reality of God and the truth is located beyond the veil of the flesh. Simply put, in order to move forward in your walk with the Lord it is time for you to give your carnal understanding a vote of no confidence.

Proverbs 3:5-7 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. (6) In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. (7) Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. (KJV)

All throughout the Word we are encouraged to let go and no longer walk by sight, but rather by a new insight which should be dictated by the leading and guiding of the Holy Spirit. When you transfer trust from yourself to the Lord then you will no longer be leaning and ready to fall, rather you will be standing strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

Proverbs 28:25-26 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat. (26) He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered. (KJV)

In our Lord’s realm being fat refers to the soul, something that is healthy. God chose the foolish things of this world to deliver His message of faith, because they realize just how foolish they really are and how weakened they become again when they start leaning back to their own limited carnal understanding.

1 Corinthians 1:19-21 For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. (20) Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? (21) For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. (KJV)

It wasn’t your carnal thinking that got you into the kingdom of God and in good standing with Him, and as we see according to the Word our own thoughts and ways are much better left in the past in order for us to move forward Church.