



God's
Word
Fellowship

And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in all the way of David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left.

2 Kings 22:2

The above verse is talking about King Josiah. Let me also quote another verse from the previous chapter of the same book about King Manasseh “he did *that which was* evil ***in the sight of the LORD***, after the abominations of the heathen” – 2 Kings 21:2. Let's look at this phrase used by the Holy Ghost in both these verses “***In the sight of the Lord***”. God wants us to learn what is right and what is wrong from Him. God wants us to understand right and wrong, good and evil from His perspective. The Bible repeatedly warns us not to be “wise in our own eyes” in various ways. The key to a holy life that pleases God is to learn His mind from His holy Word and align our thoughts and ways according to His ways and thoughts. The Bible calls this process ***renewing our mind***.

God Almighty is an eternal Being. He has existed forever. The words, ages and eons, are not good enough to give us an idea of His life time. In God's time, one day is a thousand years of human life (2 Peter 3:8). The angelic beings who are ancient themselves and have existed for ages, praise the Lord saying “Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, ***which was, and is, and is to come***” – Revelation 4:8. In other words, He is eternal, has existed forever and will exist forever. Man is a very new creation. His existence began only a few thousand years ago. The oldest of us are little children in God's eyes. Even people like Adam and Methuselah who lived close to 1000 years lived for just one day in God's time. When the Bible calls us little children, it is not a poetic expression, we are in actuality little children when compared to God and the angelic beings. Verily, we are not old enough to navigate this life which comprises not only the earthly, natural realm but also the much older and bigger spiritual realm. Mankind as a whole has no clue about the pitfalls and the adversaries that are aligned against us. We need the Light of God's Word to successfully and safely live this life.

Our Heavenly Father is Omnipotent. He is the only Wise God. Wisdom and Might are His. “the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth *cometh* knowledge and understanding” – Proverbs 2:6. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to them that have understanding. God is the source of all true wisdom and knowledge (both godly and skillful wisdom). This is the reason the Bible says “the fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom” – Proverbs 9:10. God wanted Adam to learn from Him. I am convinced that is one of the reasons that He told him not to partake of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God wanted Adam to look to Him as the source of Wisdom. When Jesus came to the earth, having laid aside His Divine powers, He learned from the Father by the Holy Ghost. The primary labor of Jesus in His first 30 years was to labor in the Word of God and Wisdom. The significant description of this period of Jesus’ life is “Filled with Wisdom” and “Increased in Wisdom”. The one significant incident revealed to us about the childhood of Jesus is about His knowledge and understanding of the Scriptures (Luke 2:46-47). Jesus, the second Adam, looked to the Heavenly Father as the source of His Wisdom and became “One greater than Solomon”.

Let me ask you some questions. ***Who is the source of your understanding of what is right and what is evil?*** Is it God or is it the world? Who are you listening to? Who is framing your opinions and ideas? Who is framing your World view?

Only God can accurately teach us what is right and wrong. Only God can reveal to us what is good and what is evil. Align your thoughts and your ways according to God’s Word, that’s the way to a good life.

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