

Divine Romance - Spiritual Warfare

Week 2 – Thursday

2 Cor. 3:16-18 – Footnotes 16¹, 18¹, 18³, 18⁴, 18⁵

Let's come back to 2 Corinthians chapter 10. We encourage all the saints to have a set time with the Lord and we believe that most of the saints practice this every day. When a new one receives the Lord, we always encourage them to have a set time with the Lord. Of course, there are different aspects of prayer. We should have the kind of fellowship with the Lord that is continuous; wherever we are, we should tell the Lord everything. We should just talk to Him. We should have hundreds of conversations with the Lord every day, even to say, "Lord thank You that the sky is blue. Lord, thank You for this new day. Thank You that I did not miss the bus. Thank You that I got a parking spot." Just talk to the Lord about everything. But on the other hand, we should set apart time to be with the Lord, to have fellowship with God.

It is particularly good to set apart some time in the morning, not for prayer for things, but prayer for fellowship. We may have burdens in our hearts such as some unbelievers that we desire to be saved, family members who are sick, or members of the church whom we want to shepherd. Of course, we should pray for them, but not during the time of fellowship with the Lord. We should set apart another time, or if we have a longer time with the Lord, we can come to these things at the end. But it is important that we set apart times with Lord for fellowship, just for fellowship. That fellowship includes using the Word, to pray with the Word, with a verse. All the brothers and sisters should try to do this, even try to do this every day,

My burden is concerning the quality of our time with the Lord. If you are setting apart 10 minutes, how many minutes of those 10 minutes are really effective, and how many minutes are under the attack of the thoughts? My burden is from my study; I have been actively studying this matter of having fellowship with the Lord for about 31 years. I have been studying not only in my own experience, but also with saints of different ages, in different places, and in different continents. I found out that the number one frustration to our fellowship with the Lord is the undisciplined mind. Stray thoughts. Nearly everyone struggles with this when they try to spend time with the Lord.