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## **INTRODUCTION:**

God's kingdom delivers into our hands all things that pertain unto life and godliness through the knowledge of Him that called us unto glory and virtue (2 Pet. 1:3).

God's intentions for us are not to struggle through life, but to have all the good things of life. However, this can only be realised by total surrender to His will, unwavering faith in and obedience to His word, and sacrificial living. This teaching is meant to unfold these principles and how they deliver success and prosperity in our life.

Scripture Focus: Matt. 16:24–28; Matt. 11:28–30; Matt. 6:19–33; Colossians 3:1–2

## **A. HOW TO SEEK GOD’S KINGDOM AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS**

i. Absolute surrender to God – Matt. 11:28–30; Phil. 3:3–7, 11–12; 7:13

The first step to seeking God’s kingdom and His righteousness is to totally surrender to His will in all things. Jesus remarked, “Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” Anyone that will respond to this call will have his/her life taken care of by Jesus.

ii. Absolute trust in God’s word – Matt. 16:24–28; 1 John 2:24

To trust God’s word simply means to have faith in Him as the only anchor of our life.

It is also having a sense of regard and reverential fear for God through His word. God is always committed to blessing His children when they get committed to the practice of His word. – Prov. 3:5; Jer. 5:17

iii. Absolute obedience to God’s word – 1 Sam. 15:22–23

Obedience to the word of God is an indispensable obligation in every child of God.

When we obey God's word, His blessings flow to us. God expects us to always obey His word so He could make us eat the good of the land. – Isaiah 1:19; Job 36:11–12

iv. Sacrificial living – Mark 10:21, 28–30

Abundant life is a product of sacrificial living. When we sacrifice to God and men, He entrusts more resources to us to meet needs. Then, at this time, we would not just be receiving blessings but will become a blessing. – Gen. 12:2; 22:1–18

## **B. DISTRACTION TO SEEKING GOD'S KINGDOM**

In seeking the kingdom of God and His righteousness, there are so many distractions in form of earthly possessions such as: clothing, shelter, fame, career, power, protection, and promotion etc. – Matt. 6:27–34

## **CONCLUSION**

We can have all the good things of life if we are ready to pay the price. It involves seeking God's kingdom first and His righteousness. Then He is committed to make the physical blessings to be released to us.


## **QUESTIONS:**

1. What does it mean to seek the Kingdom of God?
2. What are the distractions in seeking His kingdom, and how do we seek the kingdom of God and His righteousness?

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