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SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY
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TOPIC: MOTIVES AND THE HEART
STUDY VI: MORE ON DEVELOPING PROPER MOTIVES
TEXT: PROVERBS 4:27

INTRODUCTION:

In the last study, we talked about ways to develop good or proper motives that will put us on the right track with both men and God. Today, we shall be discussing further on how to develop proper motives as children of the Most High God.

HOW TO DEVELOP PROPER MOTIVES - DISCUSSION SESSION:

To develop proper motives, one has to:

1. STUDY - II TIMOTHY 2:15-17

The greatest tool given by God to man for the purpose of becoming like Him is the scriptures. The scriptures should guide and regulate our lives, thoughts, motives and consistent conducts. This can't just happen because we own a Bible. It will only happen when we study it inside out. As we study the Bible always, we will discover Godly mysteries that will help us to live right. Apart from studying the Bible, we can also study good Christian books.

2. MEDITATE - JOSHUA 1:8, PSALMS 1:2-3

This means to ruminate on a matter. When we meditate, we internally analyze the written word of God to produce the living word. Whatever we continually supply or feed our minds with will eventually become the driving principle behind our lives and motives. Meditating on the word of God helps us to build our spiritual lives and have the mind of God.

3. ASSOCIATE - PSALMS 1:1-2, PROVERBS 13:20

Associating with the right company will help us develop and nurture good motives. As children of God, we must avoid people with ulterior motives and flee from those whose attitudes are toxic. Do not keep the company of evil majority. The Bible admonishes us not to join multitudes to commit sin. We must always remember that popular opinion is not the same as godly opinion. That is why the Bible says that evil association corrupts good manners.

CONCLUSION:

From this study, we can see that for us to develop proper motives there is need for us to study, meditate on the scriptures and keep good companies. After these teachings on MOTIVES AND THE HEART, we must develop our hearts to nurture good motives at all times. As our hearts are filled with righteous thoughts with our hands always holding the sword of the spirit, our feet decked with the readiness to take the gospel of peace to where it should be taken, among others, our entire being will be shielded with faith and God will be pleased to call us HIS OWN.