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Realignment defined: ACT OF RESTORING TO A PREVIOUS POSITION

[Psalm 139:13-16](#)—For it was You who created my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. 14 I will praise You because I have been remarkably and wondrously made. Your works are wondrous, and I know this very well. 15 My bones were not hidden from You when I was made in secret, when I was formed in the depths of the earth. 16 Your eyes saw me when I was formless; all my days were written in Your book and planned before a single one of them began.

1. God has predetermined your ALIGNMENT for your ASSIGNMENT.

[Romans 8:27-30](#)—And He who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because He intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. 28 We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, who are called according to His purpose. 29 For those He foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. 30 And those He predestined, He also called; and those He called, He also justified; and those He justified, He also glorified.

a. God’s predetermined purpose is for you to be transformed into the IMAGE of JESUS.

2. The effects of SIN will get you OUT of alignment.

[Genesis 2:16-17](#)— You are free to eat from any tree of the garden, 17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for on the day you eat from it, you will certainly die.”

[1 John 4:16](#)—And we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and the one who remains in love remains in God, and God remains in him.

[Romans 5:17](#)—If by the one man’s trespass, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive the overflow of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

3. The necessities for realignment:

a. A DECISION of desperation.

[Matthew 20:28-34](#)— As they were leaving Jericho, a large crowd followed Him. 30 There were two blind men sitting by the road. When they heard that Jesus was passing by, they cried out, “Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!” 31 The crowd demanded that they keep quiet, but they cried out all the more, “Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!” 32 Jesus stopped, called them, and said, “What do you want Me to do for you? 33 “Lord,” they said to Him, “open our eyes.” 34 Moved with compassion, Jesus touched their eyes. Immediately they could see, and they followed Him.

b. A DEVOTION

[Acts 9:19-20](#)—And after taking some food, he regained his strength. Saul was with the disciples in Damascus for some time. 20 Immediately he began proclaiming Jesus in the synagogues: “He is the Son of God.”

[Galatians 1:15-18](#)—But when God, who from my mother’s womb set me apart and called me by His grace, was pleased 16 to reveal His Son in me, so that I could preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone. 17 I did not go up to Jerusalem to those who had become apostles before me; instead I went to Arabia and came back to Damascus. 18 Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to get to know Cephas.

c. A DETERMINATION

[John 21:17-19](#)—Peter was grieved that He asked him the third time, “Do you love me?” He said, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” “Feed my sheep,” Jesus said. 18 “Truly I tell you, when you were younger, you would tie your belt and walk wherever you wanted. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will tie you and carry you where you don’t want to go.” 19 He said this to indicate by what kind of death Peter would glorify God. After saying this, He told him, “Follow me.”

Big Take-Away

Your PAST doesn’t disqualify your FUTURE

Jesus offers REALIGNMENT for your ASSIGNMENT.

Are you ready to accept Jesus today?

Just pray a prayer like this:

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner, and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead. I turn from my sins and invite You to come into my heart and life. I want to trust and follow You as my Lord and Savior. In Your Name. Amen

Did you pray to receive Christ today? If yes, then let us know. Text “**NEXT**” to **573-340-4037**

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