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***A GODLY
STRATEGY***
2020 Luke 7:18-23

***THE GOD OF
DELIVERANCE***
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DELIVERANCE

Selective Thinking ... Godly Strategy
Luke 1:26-32

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Be Transformed, Live Set Apart



Scripture Luke 1:26-32
What is your takeaway from the text?

26. Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth,

27. to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

28. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"

29. But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was.

30. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

31. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus.

32. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.

SNAPSHOT

Selective Thinking ... Godly Strategy *(Luke 1:26-32)*

Who: *Mary a humble, ordinary young woman, chosen by God for an extraordinary assignment to bring Jesus into the world.*

What: *She receives a divine message and responds with selective thinking and strong faith, accepting God's strategy for her life.*

When: *At the start of God's redemptive plan, before the manger, shepherds in the fields, or wise men came with gifts, God began deliverance through transforming Mary's mind.*

Where: *In the city of Nazareth, a small and overlooked place, reminding us that God uses unexpected places to launch supernatural purpose.*

Why: *Because God revealed His strategy to someone willing to silence fear, believe His Word, and carry His promise for the sake of others.*

How: *By trusting God's voice, aligning her life with His direction, and acting on what He spoke turning God's strategy into reality.*

Selective Thinking

The angel Gabriel came with a divine announcement that will change the world and realign humankind forever. Before the miracle happens in her womb, peace must happen in her mind (selective thinking). Fear tries to rise up, but God speaks directly to her thoughts. Before there was a manger, a star or shepherds, God spoke peace into her fears.

The miracle started in her mind before it ever appeared in the world. Deliverance begins when we think through every situation with a God-focused strategy. God guides when we listen to His plan over our own. Strategy begins when we trust that His way is better than ours.

***What is selective thinking and how do we get it?
Think in terms of your righteous living***

Godly Strategy

(1). Silence The Fear:** We silence fears by rejecting the lies of the world and trust what God says about us. God will always address our fears first and deliverance begins when fears loses its power. ***I sought the Lord, and He answered me; He delivered me from all my fears. Psalm 34:4*

(2). Stand On Faith:** Faith stands strong when we trust God even when we do not understand the plan. Our faith stands firm when our physical man lines up with our spiritual man. ***For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, ‘The just shall live by faith. Romans 1:17*

(3). Secure Your Strategy:** When we choose God’s way, we make life better for the people around us. God gives the Word, we secure the strategy by applying righteousness to our lives. ***If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God and it will be given. James 1:5*

***What does it mean to; silence the fear and stand on faith?
(Think in terms of removing the noise in your life)***

Living Sacrifice

What does it mean to have selective thinking? How do we line our lives up with Godly strategies? Selective thinking means choosing which thoughts you allow to stay in your mind. It is deciding to focus on what God says instead of what fear or doubt tries to tell you. When negative thoughts show up, selective thinking replaces them with God's truth.

Selective thinking reminds us that God's voice deserves the final say in every situation. Believers know God's voice deserves the final say in every situation. We train our minds to think faith first, trusting that God's truth will always outweigh our fears. We line up with God's strategy by rejecting anything that tries to disconnect us from His will.

Let's talk about; "You have found favor with God"

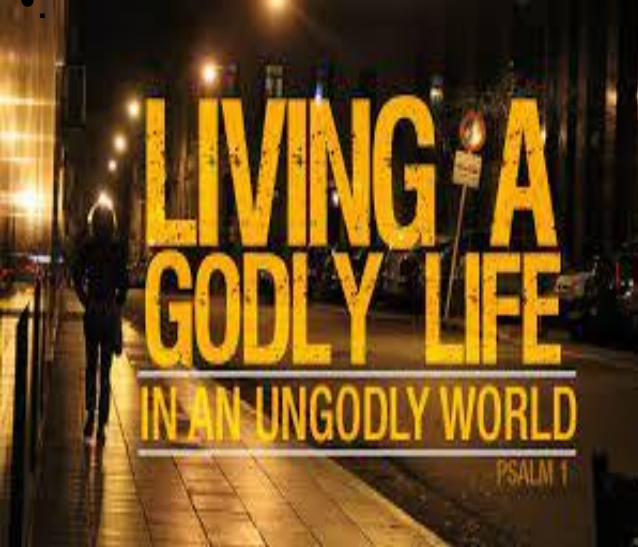
Proverbs 3:3-4; Psalm 5:11-12

More of God and Less of Ourselves

We follow God's strategy by asking Him what He wants before we make big decisions. We obey His word even when the direction feels challenging. Prayer keeps us connected to His plan and confident in His answers. Trust reminds us that God's plan is greater than anything that tries to consume us. Belief keeps us steady because God's purpose will always stand strong. Focusing on God keeps our mind from being dragged in the wrong direction.

Wisdom shows up when we wait on God instead of rushing into our own ideas. Choices prove our faith when we live like God's word is already true. Today, let us choose selective thinking and trust God. We will all make a difference when we trust God's strategy and live what He says. Yes and AMEN!

***Let's talk about
Spiritual discernment, Assignment awareness, Favor recognition***



Easy As 1...2...3 *We Can, We Will, We Must*

Silence, Stand, Secure

*(1). **Silence The Fears:** When faith leads our conversations, fear loses its voice and deliverance begins in our mind. When God's voice is loud in our mind; fear no longer gets to tell us how to live.*

*(2). **Stand On Faith:** Stand confident because God's word is greater than our circumstances and stronger than our doubt. Our faith is active when we think it, speak it, and live like God's promise is already done.*

*(3). **Secure Your Strategy:** We protect what God promised by making choices that match His word. Strategy becomes real when our actions show righteous living..*

What is your point of application?



Prayer / Benediction

DELIVERANCE

Selective Thinking ... Godly Strategy

Selective thinking changes everything when we silence our fears and stand on faith. Godly strategy takes over when we live what He said, then our miracles becomes real.

Strategy begins when we trust that His way is better than ours.

The more we grow spiritually, the better we get physically, the closer we get to Christ. We count ourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Luke 1:30; *Then the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.”*