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# How To Get What You Want from God



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Hi,

Over the years I have had numerous people ask me for a copy of my sermon notes for their own personal Bible studies. I am glad to be able to present them to you. You have in your hands an exact copy of my sermon notes for your very own personal studies. I pray that as you study the Word, that the Holy Spirit will add even more than what you have before you. Put yourself there in what you are studying. What were they feeling, what were they facing...make the Word come alive by placing yourself there.

I am also including a list of the resources that I use to obtain my information, but I will say this, without the Holy Spirit guiding and teaching you under the anointing all you have is just a bunch of books. I always pray before, during, and upon deliverance of each message I receive. I pray that...***you might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding (Colossians 1:9).*** I am both honored and blessed that you have selected a Sermon Notes Series and I pray that it will be a blessing to you!

With Much Love,  
Pastor John

## RESOURCES USED

- \* The Companion Bible
- \* Dake's Annotated Reference Bible
- \* Young's Analytical Concordance To The Bible
- \* A Dictionary Of Bible Types
- \* Vine's Expository Dictionary Of New Testament Words
- \* The American College Dictionary
- \* World's Bible Handbook
- \* The Zondervan Pictorial Bible Dictionary
- \* Nelson's Three- in- One Bible Reference Companion
- \* The Word -The Bible In 26 Translations
- \* God's Plan For Man
- \* Harper's Encyclopedia Of Bible Life
- \* Nelson's Expository Dictionary Of The Old Testament
- \* Manners And Customs From the Bible
- \* What The Bible Is All About
- \* Halley's Bible Handbook

*These are just a small listing of the study aides that I use. The greatest study aide available is letting the Holy Spirit be your teacher. May you get to know Him!*

Words translated from the Gk = Greek and Hb=Hebrew.

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## OUR VISION

“My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge;”

*Hosea 4:6*

“For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he:”

*Proverbs 23:7*

“...and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;”

*Colossians 1:9*

“Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established: and by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches. A wise man is strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth strength.”

*Proverbs 24:3-5*

“And the Gospel must first be published among all nations.”

*Mark 13:10*

As the Scriptures speak for themselves, our vision is to empower Believers everywhere to live a victorious abundant lifestyle that can be obtained through wisdom and understanding. If you are willing to change the way you think, you can change the way you live. A renewed mind towards the Word of God established you firmly in the faith and opens the door for the blessings and benefits of God to become evident in your life.

Because We Believe In You,  
*John and Karen Pelizzari*

## HOW TO GET WHAT YOU WANT FROM GOD

**Psalm 37:4 Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.**

1. This has been a very common scripture used by the Body of Christ. And yet, not many people see the fulfillment of this scripture being made manifest.
  - a. Why did God say I can have what I want but I still don't have it yet?
2. As most believers know by now, God's Word is conditional. If you meet the conditions, you'll receive the promise.
  - a. If you do this, then this shall come to pass...
3. So what are the conditions that need to be fulfilled to get what you want from God?
4. We see in this verse one condition already. **Delight thyself also in the Lord.**

**Delight** - Hb - *anag* - meaning to be pliable, flexible.

- a. Able to change or be changed to respond to different circumstances with a good attitude.

5. Meaning, if it looks negative, don't fall for the way it's turning out as the final outcome, things are subject to change.
6. Encoded in Psalms 37 we will see what a believer can do to have the promise fulfilled that God will give you the desires of your heart.

**Psalm 37:1-2 [1] Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity. [2] For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.**

1. **Fret not thyself because of evildoers** - means don't get upset when it looks like the world is winning and your life is getting tougher.
2. **Neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity** - don't be jealous when it looks like the worldly people get it all and you don't.

**Psalm 37:3 Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.**

3. **Trust in the Lord** - have confidence in God.
4. **Do good** - means here that you are going to be "love in action."

7. See, evidence that you are trusting God will be seen when you continue to do good despite how you are being treated or talked about.
  - a. You're just going to walk in love, that's your response.

**Psalm 37:5-6 [5] Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. [6] And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.**

5. **Commit thy way unto the Lord** - purpose not to interfere by doing or saying something to help God out concerning your situation.
8. Here we see another admonition to **trust Him** again because He shall bring it to pass. And what is He going to bring to pass? The desires of your heart.
9. To say that He will **bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday** simply means that everything that you were accused of or slandered by, He will vindicate you by showing you off in the presence of your enemies proving their accusations wrong.

**Psalm 37:7 Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.**

6. **Rest in the Lord** - don't let yourself get all excited at what the enemy is doing, just chill out.
7. **Wait patiently for him** - wait...patiently. It is translated as "stop wiggling around, even if it does get a little painful."
  - a. It's a "no pain, no gain" policy.
8. **Fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way** - means 'don't get all huffy when they get away with ripping people off.'

**Psalm 37:8-9 [8] Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil. [9] For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth.**

9. **Cease from anger** - stop getting all mad when others don't react or acknowledge you the way you want them to.
10. **Forsake wrath** - this is for those of you who keep it bottled up inside until one day "BOOM" you blow up and you let everybody have it.
  - a. It means...stop keeping a list of everybody and what they did to you.

11. **Fret not thyself in any wise to do evil** - means don't try to get even.
  - a. This includes the silent treatment, passive aggressive behaviors and the old "I'll get you back...you'll pay for this mentality."
12. **Wait upon the Lord** - trust God and don't get in a hurry.

**Psalm 37:27 Depart from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore.**

13. **Depart from evil** - this word **evil** is not translated as being "bad" like you would think, it is the Hebrew word "*ra*" and it means "*misery or sorrowful*."
10. So the object here is to stop walking around like a victim because someone did you wrong. Act like "*more than a conqueror*."
  - a. Get rid of the victim mentality.
11. Then He shows you how to initiate the healing process by going good. It takes the focus off of you.
14. **Do good** - means to help other people prosper or get wealthy.
  - a. That means you're sowing seeds of joy so you will reap joy to overcome a victim mentality.

12. I want you to notice that most of the conditions described so far to get what you want from God deals with the emotional / soulish realm.

a. Controlling your thoughts and watching how you react.

15. **Dwell for evermore** - is translated as “staying in His presence” by the Christian basics, reading the Word, prayer, church attendance, serving, tithing and so forth.

**Psalm 37:34**     **Wait on the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it.**

16. **Wait on the Lord** - this means to wait with an expectancy for Him to come through on your behalf.

17. **Keep his way** - don't allow people and circumstances cause you to doubt the integrity of God's Word.

13. Notice you are being told that the wicked will be cut off. That means you are going to face some opposition, but they are not going to win.

**Psalm 37:37**     **Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace.**

18. **Mark the perfect man** - keep an eye on those that are living the lifestyle God requires, receive mentorship from them, sow into their lives, hear what they have to say.

19. **Behold the upright** - keep an eye on those who are living right for God and you'll see the blessings that God gives them. When you do, imitate them.

14. The 20<sup>th</sup> one is found in verse 4...**delight thyself in the Lord.**

15. The bottom line is do the best that you can to live for God. As you begin to overcome your old self, God will reward your efforts by giving you the desires of your heart.

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