

Supernatural Restoration



Objective for Living (Day 6)
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Jesus was fully committed to doing God's will. How was this commitment practically worked out in His earthly life and ministry? Let us look at that well-known incident where Jesus was at Jacob's Well and met with the woman of Samaria.

Jesus and His disciples were journeying by foot back from Judea to Galilee. They passed through Samaria and they came to that place which is still known today as Jacob's Well. Jesus was tired and He sat down by the well to rest. Also, they had run out of food, they were hungry, so the disciples went into the local town to buy food while Jesus sat by the well. Then the woman from Samaria came out and Jesus had that wonderful conversation with her in which He showed her so clearly that He knew every detail of her past life. He gave her that beautiful promise about the living water for everyone thirsty. The woman got so excited that she left her water pot without collecting water, and went back into the town to tell the men in the town about this wonderful person she had met at the well and to get them out to meet Him.

Jesus remained there at the well and His disciples came back and found Him sitting there. This is what follows in the account in John chapter 4, verses 31 through 36:

> "Meanwhile His disciples urged Him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But He said to them, 'I have food to eat that you know nothing about.' Then His disciples said to each other, 'Could someone have brought Him food?' 'My food,' said Jesus, 'is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to finish His work. Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you to open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so the sower and the reaper may be glad together.'" (NIV)

You see there that clear statement of Jesus, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me." This was always the central motivation of His entire earthly life – to do the will of the One who sent Him.

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His commitment to do the will of God worked in Him supernatural physical restoration. When He came there, He was tired and hungry. He sat down, but instead of partaking of food, He flowed in the will of God in His conversation with this poor woman who was in such desperate need. In putting God's will above His own physical needs He received supernatural restoration. When they came with food, He wasn't particularly interested. He said, "I've already partaken of some food." And His disciples couldn't understand what kind of food He could have had. Did anybody bring Him food?

But Jesus explained, *"My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to finish His work."* Food is the thing that gives us physical strength, that sustains us, that keeps us going. Jesus said, *"That's what sustains Me. That's what keeps Me going – My commitment to do the will of the One who sent Me."*

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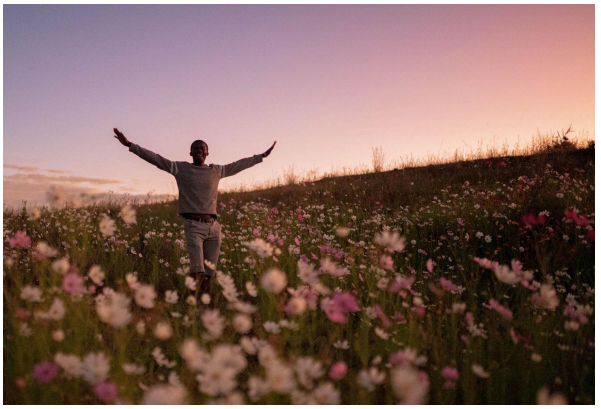
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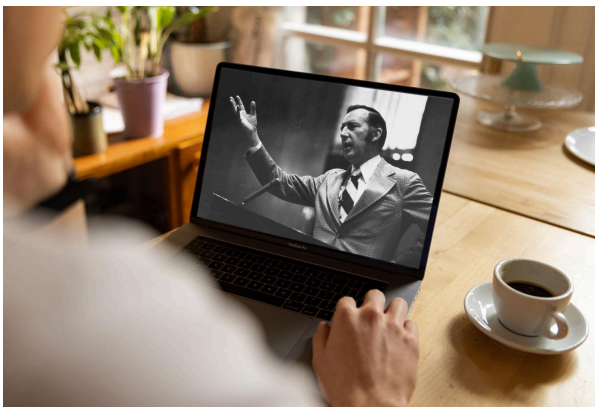
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