



Let The Journey Begin

Matthew 3:3, Proverbs 3:5-6

Our Journey

- For many people, life is just a journey from birth to death, with death being the final destination.
- For a Christian, death is not the final destination as we are just passing through with so much more beyond this world.
- When we arrive at our final destination, our journey is not only far from over but has only reached a new level.
- Heaven is a wonderful, fascinating, dynamic place because God is wonderful, fascinating, and dynamic.

Fire

- The best approximation of what YAHWEH means is: **“I AM WHO IS CONSTANT AND ALWAYS CHANGING.”**
- Fire is a perfect example of God since it stays the same, yet it is always in a state of constant change.
- Since we were made in God’s image, who we are right now is not the same person we were yesterday or even five minutes ago.
- We are all on a spiritual journey, and regardless from where we started, we are all heading towards the same destination.

Trust

- The first thing that we need on our journey is “trust.”
- If we are going to trust God, it’s very important that we know in whom we are putting our trust.
- None of us starts a journey by stepping out blindly but by faith; so, the question is, in whom or what do we put our faith?
- When our hearts and thoughts are focused on Jesus, then it does not matter what’s going on around us or what’s ahead of us because we know that He is with us.

God

- **God is the one who goes before us and removes the potholes, the bumps, and the obstructions that hinder our journey.**
- **God removes any obstacles so that there is nothing to impede our relationship with Him.**
- **There are a lot of people who believe in God, but they do not trust Him.**
- **Many people do not acknowledge the work of God in their lives, because they do not believe in God or trust Him.**

Path

- We can trust in the Lord with our whole heart, because nobody knows us better than our Creator.
- Our faith comes from our personal experience with God and from the experience of His people as recorded in the Bible.
- When we acknowledge God's presence, listen to His council and follow His guidance, we find that He directs our path.
- This path that leads us to a deeper and closer relationship with Him will remove any obstacles that get in the way of that relationship.

Conclusion

- Every day, Jesus invites us to *“Come, follow me.”*
- We may all be at different points and places in our spiritual walk, but we all share a yearning for vital and real spirituality.
- Our journey towards a deeper and closer relationship with God is not something that just happens.
- As we fall into step with Jesus through prayer and knowledge of His Word, He shows us His way to live and provides us with the strength to follow Him.