

## A Necessary Perspective: The Priority of the Spiritual

God chose to create you and He made you for His own enjoyment -- so He could pour out His love into your life -- and so you could enjoy Him.

If God did not want you -- you would not be here. And, if you are a believer, He totally accepts you for simply WHO you are. You do not need to, nor can you by any means, make yourself more acceptable to Him. You can please Him more and more by what you do -- but He does not accept you because you please Him.

God made you like Himself -- He was your pattern. Therefore, you are a person with many rights and great ability. And the kind of a person you are is that you are like the kind of person that God is -- spirit. You are not basically mind, emotions, will, body or a social person. Your greatest need, value, potential, and gifts are all in that spirit area.

God made you and redeemed you so He could give HIMSELF to you. He wants you to know that He accepts you, loves you, and desires to bless you -- without any reservation or limit -- His acceptance, love, and desire are of an infinite (unlimited) kind, and He has all the resources of Heaven (infinity) to do what He wants to do — bless you. God is not stingy. His desire to bless you and meet your deepest need is beyond your wildest imagination. Jesus Christ came for you, died for you, and offers Himself to you. The enemy is dead set against you learning these truths.

God wants you to simply receive Him -- in His love, care, blessing, grace, Word, and in the loving care of His people and their healing prayer. He wants you to experience more of Him every day. You may never have received Him, or know very much about Him, in your experience because you approach Him and His love analytically. Believe me, God will never violate your personality or your mind. He will never manipulate you. However, you must come to the place of believing that God knows what you need, far better than you do -- and learn to abandon yourself to Him and let Him love you. We do not understand or experience love by rational analysis!

God wants to bless you in spite of how you feel. And, it is your feelings that may be standing in the way. You, like all of us, probably feel guilty, proud, dirty, ugly, and ashamed. Because you feel that way -- you interpret the Word God has given you on the basis of your feelings. You do not do that for other people -- but you usually will do that when you read the Bible and apply it to yourself. So, when you read that God wants to bless you with His joy (John 15:11; Romans 15:13) and you do not feel joyful or even hopeful, the verses seem irrelevant, mocking to you, and you pass over them. What you are doing is interpreting the Bible on the basis of the scars across your soul! It is these scars that control you through your emotions. Most of the time it is not your mind, (what you know as truth), that controls you, it is usually your emotions. And, the enemy may be reaching into your life through those emotions, as well as in other ways.

Perhaps your very first step to is understand the above, face up to the lies being given you by your emotions, and your enemy, be willing to receive healing prayer, and ask God to come and find you and rescue you.

You may need to repent for any idolatry. In the Fall Satan deceived Adam and Eve and led them, and through them the whole human race, into bondage to himself. We are born into the world in that bondage. You may, even as a believer, have areas in your life in which you are in bondage to him and his kingdom. Superstition, seeking healing in non-Biblical ways, believing and practicing error, giving people and things control over your life (greed is idolatry - Colossians 3:5), indicate only a few of these areas. You do need to learn of your enemy and how to resist him. And, that is one of the purpose of this website.

Perhaps no one has cared enough to help you. I care and I will help you.

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Final thoughts: Victor's resources were designed to assist you in understanding yourself and the work of the Holy Spirit *so that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God (Colossians 1:10).*