

## EXPECTATIONS WHEN CHANGE COMES

ISAIAH 42

I have no other work, only to restore his generation in order to do:

- a. We must have a common belief

Our doctrine is to seek and save the lost, love God, hate sin and love to give

I can't say, I love God, and not be willing to go into the world and restore his children

- b. We all must be on one accord

- c. We have to be with one another

Matthew 20:8-12

How do I think correctly in the midst of change?

Incorrect thinking is a stronghold

Stronghold is a fortified opinion that is against the truth

Something that is built up in my mind that is not the truth

The worst thing I can do is let my mind think without challenging it

If I don't deal with my thinking, these strongholds will create attitudes that are resistant to the will of God

TO THINK CORRECTLY IN THE MIDST OF CHANGE I MUST:

1. Check my attitude
2. I must check my attitude towards God

Change exposes and attitude problem that I have with God

When I have an attitude with God it's a result my expectations

- a. Did God do what He promised?

Change reveals that I have expectations that God is not obligated to meet

Sometimes I expect God to be fair, but He is not fair He is “just”

b. Did I do what God required of me?

If I have done what was required of me then change should not adjust my attitude

It is my job to obey God and it is God’s job to determine the outcome

c. Do I feel entitled?

God will not do what He did not say, and God will not do in “you” what he did not say

God is going to use me for his glory and for the benefit of others

3. Check my attitude towards my work

Work is not the task I perform

The work is what God desires to accomplish

The task is my assignment to accomplish the work

Sometimes I can forget the work because I am so focused on the task

Task changes buy the work remains the same

If I have an attitude about the task, I have forgotten the work

Checking attitudes with questions

a. Did I forget whose vineyard it is?

I don’t have the right to be nasty in the church

b. Have I forgotten the purpose of the work?

The purpose is to seek and save the lost and edify the body

Somebody ought to be strengthen, encouraged and built up because I serve

If I please God I will minister to others

c. Has my motivation for working change?

3. I must check my attitudes towards my fellow laborers

a. Am I comparing myself to others?

What I perceive that they receive

b. Do I feel superior because of what I have done?

c. Can I accept new laborers or am I coming up with reasons not to trust people