

Change Meets Dispensation

Colossians 1:23

God never does a work in me unless He intends to do a work through me

The things that are not required in every dispensation

1. A certain educational level is not required
2. Social status is not required
3. A certain income bracket
4. Natural accomplishments are not required
5. A history of good deeds are not required

What God requires from me is on the inside

Every dispensation requires:

- a. Pure heart

PURE means clean ... unstained with guilt

PURE means to be innocent

PURE means to be sincere

Once God gives me a pure heart I cannot go out and re-stain that heart.. I must keep it pure

God renews my heart, but it is my responsibility to keep it new

I must bring every thought under subjection to the word and make it obey

I must guard my mouth, my hands and my feet

Hebrews 3:7-15....There are 3 different kind of heart conditions

A harden heart, A heart of err and an evil heart

Every dispensation requires

- a. That I do not harden my heart

HARDEN means >>> to be Obstinate and Stubborn

HARDEN HEART does not believe God

Every dispensation requires

- b. That we don't err in our heart

ERR means to stray from the truth, to allow myself to be led to sin

There is a difference in not knowing the truth and straying from the truth

c. Every dispensation requires that I do not have an evil heart

EVIL means diseased

How do I have an evil heart that is diseased with sin?...It is corrupt through exposure and not renewed by God's word

2. Every dispensation requires Obedience

a. Every dispensation requires me to keep my beginning confidence

When a dispensation has changed, I must make sure that my attitude has not

Every dispensation requires:

b. Obedience when I hear

C. Every dispensation requires:

a. That I don't tempt God

I must not test whether or not I have to obey

I must not test God's response to my disobedience

God is unable to be embarrassed

Galatians 2:21

3. Every dispensation requires that:

I do not frustrate the grace of God

FRUSTRATE means to bring to nothing, to waste, to disregard

Every dispensation requires me to be grateful for my life in Christ

Every dispensation requires me to live for Christ

Every dispensation requires me to live according to faith