



SHINING THROUGH

MESSAGE THREE:
WHEN, NOT IF

*Having been a teacher of the English language,
I know there is a difference
between the word **when** and the word **if**.*

*If Jesus had said,
“If you do a **charitable** (generous) **deed...**,”
“If you **pray...**,”
or “If you **fast...**,”*

*He (**Jesus**) would have left it **open** as to whether He
expected us to **do it** or **not**. But by using the word **when**,
He (**Jesus**) **settled** the question.*

Derek Prince: Living as Salt and Light

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MARKS OF A DISCIPLE

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*“So **when** you **give** to the needy (poor),
do not announce it with trumpets, ...
But **when** you **give** to the needy (poor),
do not let your left hand know ..., so that your **giving**
may be in **secret**. Then your **Father**, will reward you.”*

*“And **when** you **pray**, do not be like the hypocrites, ...
So **when** you **pray** go into your room,
close the door and pray to your **Father** ,...”
And **when** you **pray** do not keep on babbling ...,
“This then is **how** you should **pray**: ... (model prayer) ...”*

Matthew 6:1-4; 5-15 NIV

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*“When you fast, do not look somber,
as the hypocrites do, For they disfigure their faces
to show others they are fasting. ...
But when you fast, put oil on your head
and wash your face, so that it will not be
obvious to others that you are fasting,
but only to your Father, who is unseen;
and your Father, who sees what is done
in secret, will reward you”*

Matthew 6:16-18 NIV

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*When all your house churches **gather**
as **one** church family,
you are not properly **celebrating** the Lord's Supper. ...*

*When you conduct your meetings (**gather**),
you should always let everything be done
to **build up** (strengthen) the **church** family.*

*Whether you share a **song** of praise, a **teaching**,
a divine **revelation**, or a **tongue** and interpretation,
let **each one** contribute what **strengthens** others.*

1 Corinthians 11:20 & 14:26 TPT

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*My son, give attention (**focus**) to my **words**;
Incline your **ears** to my **sayings**.
Do not let them **depart** from your **eyes**;
Keep them in the **midst** of your **heart**;
For they are **life** to those who find them,
and **health** to all their flesh.*

Proverbs 4: 20-22 NKJV

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*Like newborn infants (babes),
desire (crave)
the pure (spiritual) milk of the word,
so that by it you may grow up
into your (full experience of) salvation,
if you have tasted that the Lord is good.*

1 Peter 2:2-3 CSB

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*Everyone who **hears** my teaching
and **applies** it to his life
can be compared to a **wise man**
who **built** his house on
an **unshakable** foundation.*

Matthew 7:24 TPT

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*... they (Berean Jews)
received the message (word)
with great eagerness
and examined the Scriptures every day
to see (verify) if what Paul said (taught) was true.
As a result, many of them (Jews & Greeks)
believed (in Jesus).*

Acts 17:11b-12a NIV

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*As it is written in the Scriptures,
"They will **all be taught** by God."
Everyone who **listens** to the Father
and **learns** from him **comes** to me (**Jesus**).*

John 6:45 NLT

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*Every **believer** was faithfully devoted to **following** the teachings (**skill training**) of the apostles. Their **hearts** were mutually **linked** to one another, sharing **communion** (the Lord's Supper) and coming (**gathering**) together regularly for **prayer**. ... All the believers were in **fellowship** as one body, and they **shared** with one another **whatever** they had. Out of **generosity** they even sold their assets to distribute the proceeds to those who were in **need** among them.*

Acts 2:42, 44-45 TPT

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*Daily they met (**gathered**) together in the temple courts
and in one another's **homes** to **celebrate** communion.*

*They shared **meals** together
with joyful hearts and tender humility.*

*They were **continually** filled with **praises** to God,
enjoying the **favor** of **all** the people.*

*And the **Lord** kept **adding** to their number
daily those who were coming to life.*

Acts 2:46-47 TPT

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*Command **those** who are **rich**
in **this** present **world**
not to be arrogant,
nor to put their **hope** in **wealth**,
which is so uncertain,
but to put their **hope** in **God**,
who richly **provides** us with everything ...*

1 Timothy 6:17 NIV

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*Command **them to do good,**
to **be rich** in good deeds,
and **generous** and willing to share.
In this way they will lay up **treasure**
for themselves as a firm foundation ...,
so that they may **take hold** of
life that is truly life.*

1 Timothy 6:17-18 NIV

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WHAT DOES **RICH** LOOK LIKE?

*If you have
a household **income**
of **\$33,000** or more,
you are in the **top one percent (1% Club)**
of wage **earners in the world.***

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2020 Generosity Campaign



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2020 GOAL: \$10,000

2020 INTERSECT PARTNERS



**new
generations**

3 QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

1. After reviewing the **marks** of a **follower** of Jesus (i.e. disciple) which of these two words describes your following best: **When** or **if**?
2. Are you faithfully **devoted** to these **five habits**?
Which of the five is your **weakest link**?
3. Has the COVID-19 pandemic **impacted** these five habits? Which **one(s)** do you need to **restart** as “**when**” habits or practices in your life?

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