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"No matter who you are, if you will yield your life to God, you can become a vessel God can use." - Donna Partow

I pray that you will yield your life to God and become a vessel of His using.

Sue Huston
Director of ASK Network Canada

OBEDIENCE

The vision statement of ASK is "Gathering all generations, to pray for all nations, asking God to do what only He can do and doing whatever it is that He asks of us." In other words, we endeavor to be obedient to the Lord; we seek to submit to His authority and comply with what He says.

1 Samuel 15:22 shows how important obedience is to God. The verse asks, "Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord?" The answer to this question is clearly "No." The Lord delights far more in obedience than in worship ceremonies that are performed without it. We can do many things in our own strength without God's approval or support. However, while we may want the Lord to be a part of what *we're* doing, the Lord desires us to be part of what *He's* doing.

Sadly, our disobedience brings no glory to God. Instead, it replaces the fear of God with the fear of man, it elevates pleasure in things above pleasure in God, it seeks a name for itself instead of a name for God, and it consults the wisdom of self instead of the will of God.

It is often easier for us to ask of God according to our will than to do what He is asking of us.

Through the discipline of meditating/waiting on the Lord, there comes a natural flow of obedience as the richness of the Word and the love of Jesus draws us to do what He is asking of us. Our thoughts align with His, and thoughts of disobedience leave us as we enter the richness of His presence.

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My prayer for each of us is that we continuously grow in our relationship with Jesus so that, through obedience, we bring glory to God the Father. I pray that we would desire to do the will of the One who holds the highest authority of all and that we would become partakers of the communion between the Father and the Son, who asks on our behalf. May enter this dialogue and ASK whatever the Father is asking of us.

ASK NEWS

In our last newsletter, I shared that ASK material is in Quebec. We are now in the early stages of planning an ASK event in Quebec in the new year.

Other exciting news is that the book *Asking for Pastors* is being used by local church group as a study. This book is a great resource in knowing how to effectively pray for your pastors.

As you may recall, I was privileged to be part of a team that went to India in March 2017. I have been invited to go again in early 2019.

I have been doing short video clips, that you can find on YouTube under <u>"ASK Network Canada."</u> I hope you find them helpful.

EVENTS

The first International Pro-Life Conference will be held in Israel November 4–7 and followed by a one-week private tour. Although this is not an ASK event, we are in relationship with the pro-life leader of Israel, Pastor Tony Sperandeo. The latest information available on the conference is available here: https://www.lechaim2018.com/

The prayer initiative Battle for Canada will take place November 1–10. Battle for Canada involves 10 days of focused intercession in North Battleford, Saskatchewan. For more information, see https://www.battleforcanada.com/

NEW RESOURCE

Stuart McAlpine's new book *Just Asking: Restoring the Soul of Prayer* is <u>available on Amazon</u>. For those residing in the Ottawa area, I have an in-house limited supply at the cost of \$20.00 each. I will be receiving more.

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