Daily Devotions

Lord spoke a word to my spirit: "My people don't spend enough time with me"

- Q) Do you have regular daily devotions with the Lord?
- A) "I spend all day with the Lord" (Translation: No!)

Devotions defined: Daily Dedicated time alone with God in word and prayer

We can't be victorious without spending intimate time with Him:

John 15:5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

Do the things everyday that bring you victory

A. Spend one Hour in personal devotions (Matthew 26:40-45)

Evaluate: what you spend your time on?

B. Find a place alone (Matthew 6:5,6)

C. Issues with having daily devotions:

1. Excuses:

The devil's personal promise to you: "I will always endeavor to make sure prayer and word will be an Inconvenience"

- 2. Deception of thinking we can get by on yesterdays manna (Lamentations 3:22-26)
- 3. <u>Wrong motives</u>
- 4. Laziness/lack of discipline (we procrastinate)
- 5. Keep life too busy: (Mark 4:18-20)

There is competition for your soul

6. Misplaced priorities (Luke 10:38-42)

Mark 1:35 Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed.

7. Disorganized

What I do in my basic one-hour devotions:

<u>Word</u>:

- 1. Read New and Old Testament Chapter (10 min)
- 2. Review Scripture memorization (10 min)
- 3. Read topical Scripture list and personal Prophecies (10 min)

Prayer:

- 4. Worship & Pray in Tongues (10 min)
- 5. Pray the Lord's prayer pattern (10 min)
- 6. Pray prayer list(s) (10 min)