

Father

It's not about "john"

Lu 9:23 – *Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.*

24) *For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it.*

Jn 12:24 – *unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.*

25) *Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.*

Lord, how to help people embrace your purpose over self-preservation

- Follow me and I will make you fishers of men
 - I will give you true purpose
 - I will enable you to produce many seeds, much fruit

Mt 16:24 – *Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.*

25) *For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.*

Ask whatsoever (in Jesus' Name) comes from following purpose

Father – I know what you have need of

Put Kingdom purpose first and I will add all these things

Jn 15 – I want you to bear fruit, know your inheritance, abundance (real abundance, wealth is eternal not temporal)

I'm teaching you to store treasures in Heaven – true purpose

Jesus

Lu 12:19 – *And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."*

Introversion and introspection and the Universe all ask, "What do you want?"

- 1) Self-indulgence – how I help myself
- 2) Philanthropy, Helping Others – How I justify myself; why I'm a good person

Mt 7:21 – *Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.*

- 22) *Many will say to me on that day,*
→ *Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name*
→ *and in your name drive out demons*
→ *and in your name perform many miracles?'*

23) Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'

- 3) Doing what Father is doing - How I know my Father

Jn 15:5 – *I am the vine; you are the branches.*

If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

John, It's fun to bear fruit

- It happens very naturally
- It flows without straining

Holy Spirit

Prophesy the truth of knowing Father

- Being a son present in His Council, knowing His purpose
- Anointed for greater works, much fruit
- Overturning accusations in the Courts, warfare
- Receiving the promised inheritance (Reformation)

All from co-laboring

- Doing what Father is doing
- Righteousness = being on the same page

Wisdom – Strategy

Lord, the commander in me is frustration at the pace, the sleepy people

- I know, Moses struck the rock and misrepresented me
- Take it to the Cross

Accusation – you take things into your own hands, misrepresent your Father before men

Root – God doesn't move people by my will
Control - from an orphan, abandoned

Cross – Father forgive me for getting ahead of you; taking matters into my own hands

Decrees

- 1) You will bear much fruit, without much work (grace)
I will give you influence that is beyond your understanding
- 2) You will be a trumpet for knowing Father; the simplicity of doing what He is doing.

John, labor to enter into rest from your own works.

Understanding – tactics

Lord, how do I rest from my works?

- Set your heart on what Father is doing
 - His works
 - Your gratitude
- Point to the prophetic confirmations of what Father is doing
- Learn to rejoice, celebrate (Heaven is) “the work is done”

Counsel

1 Sam 12:16 – *Now then, stand still*

and see this great thing the LORD is about to do before your eyes!

Ex 14:13 – *Moses answered the people, Do not be afraid.*

Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today.

The Egyptians you see today you will never see again.

14) *The LORD will fight for you; you need only to be still."*

15) *Then the LORD said to Moses,*

Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on.

John, rest in:

- 1) Seeing what Father has done (Trump)
- 2) See what he is doing
- 3) Come up here and See what He will yet do

I/It will be your rest – You won't feel like you have to do it all, convince everyone

Might

Father's purpose is resurrection life for sons

- Co-laboring breathes life and vitality into warriors
- It's where anointing and flow appear
- Remain in me

Isa 58:13 – *If you keep your feet from breaking the Sabbath and from doing as you please on my holy day, if you call the Sabbath a delight and the LORD's holy day honorable, and if you honor it*

→ *by not going your own way*

→ *and not doing as you please or speaking idle words,*

14) *then you will find your joy in the LORD, and I will cause you to ride in triumph on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob.*

Isa 54:17 – *no weapon forged against you will prevail, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and this is their vindication from me," declares the LORD.*

Knowledge

There is great rest and great fruit in doing what Father does

- It eliminates strife, and works
- No need to do your own thing
- No need to justify yourself with your works

Dead works and temptation fall off, lose their power

- Fruit comes naturally from abiding
- It flows from the throne, then out of your belly
- Rivers of living Water

Fear of the Lord

Honor the vine – the nourishment and life that flows from Father

Jn 15:7 – *If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.*

8) *This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.*

Father delights to honor you

- He is proud of His sons and daughters
- Waives them like a banner before the enemy
- They choose Him, abide in Him