



Morning Glory!

Oh God, thou art my God;
Early will I seek thee:
My soul thirsteth for thee



Psalm 63:1

The Marks of Christ-Centered Achievement: Keeping Your Eyes on the Prize **#6 INSPIRATION!**

**“...but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind,
and reaching forth unto those things which are before,
I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”**

Philippians 3:13-14

Much of God's living creation follows a pattern which is revealing. The pattern is this: one can usually gauge a living thing's internal condition by observing its external appearance. My high school basketball coach Ken Speese would always tell us, especially on the defensive end of the court, "look alive East Bears, look alive!" He was looking for something on the outside, that could only come from a particular condition on the inside. He was looking for inspiration! Anything demonstrating and manifesting life on the outside springs from a well of life on the inside. God ordained it so. Healthy, vibrant, and energetic people have something dynamic going on internally that we can't see, but best believe it's there. This is why when we pass on to be with the Lord, it is sometimes referred to as having "expired" which means health and life have departed. But healthy, growing, vibrant life is "inspired".

***Inspiration is that internal well of power that moves an individual
toward the God-ordained marks, prizes, and high callings.***

It is evidence of the Holy Spirit's infusion.

If you are inspired, very little can stop you from your destiny.

***The focus, discipline, and endurance needed for Christ-centered achievement
can only be produced by inspiration.***

***And usually, inspiration is contagious, attractive, magnetic,
and reproduces itself in others around you.***

Whatever you don't have this day, or any other day, what you do have by the power of the Holy Spirit is inspiration. You possess a spring of energy, and vitality which God has placed inside of you. Cease from allowing external factors to dictate your outlook and your outcome. Call upon the Spirit's help, and watch stuff on the outside have to bow to the marvelous power that works within you. Remember, our God is able to do exceedingly, abundantly, above, and beyond all that you are able to think or imagine according to the power that works in you! That's inspiration!

Pray this:

**Lord of glory, may the inspiration within me work to change the condition around me!
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