WEEK TWO: LIFE'S TRANSITIONS AS GOD MOMENTS

Statement...from air travel to shopping, office work to conversations, we can now do everything FASTER/EASIER but the price we pay is costly. We leave our souls behind. The scenery gets blurry; life's moments run together. It is easy to develop TUNNEL VISION by focusing only on what is right in front of us. We need to pay attention to what I call transitionsgaps in schedule or breaks in action- when we may be moving from one task to the next, going from one place to another.

Paying Attention to Transitions...to us, transitions are just free time, time off the clock, to be/do whatever we wish. Our culture flaunts **multi-tasking**, doing **many things at once**, yet this forces our souls to do MULTILE GEAR SHIFTS each day. Transitions are critical to the soul; they give us time **to ponder what is going** on around/within us. Jesus mastered such moments. Jesus LIVED SLOW, and he **exuded calm** in stressful spots. He taught **Disciples this pace of life**. They saw how he ALLOWED FOR TRANSITIONS and handled INTERUPPTIONS.

Jesus was a Walker...notice the IN-BETWEEN-TIMES when Jesus/ Disciples are walking from 1 town to next. With Jesus, walking was a way of life, not a form of exercise. His walking created GAPS IN ACTIVITY. He'd pause to help a needy person or tell a story that was prompted by what he'd just seen. Walking gave him time to see/hear things:

a BEGGAR moaning, the eyes of a SPARROW, people buying/selling, kids playing. Because he was moving slowly, they all came into focus for him and he came into focus for them.

Living in the Present...Jesus LIVED IN THE PRESENT, and he made the most of his moments. He never feared the unknown; he lived a life open to surprises, open to the random, the surprising, the strange. He made room for THE UNEXPECTED. He could see where he was going yet be surprised by how GOD GOT HIM there. Our souls can catch up with our bodies. Your soul is the VESEEL GOD WANTS TO FILL yet is there any room in your life for him to work?

LIFE'S UNSCRIPTED MOMENTS... Faith isn't following a PRE-WRITTEN SCRIPT; if faith were a script, with total instructions, and we knew everything in advance, what kind of faith would that be? Faith is more like a JOURNEY; it involves movement, being nudged. Some of life's best moments are unscripted; that is what makes them unforgettable.