**HEART TO HEART**/A word of hope and encouragement by Mennie Morrison

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**GO DEEPER IN ME AND COME UP HIGHER TO ME (PART III)**

Greetings to you in the wonderful name of Jesus our Savior. Dr. Morrison and I want to wish you a very **Merry** and **Blessed Christmas** season. I trust that in the midst of an unprecedented year of **2020** you are standing on the promises of God and **Going Deeper in Him and Coming Up Higher to Him.**

This month of December, we are starting part III of our teaching entitled **Going Deeper and Coming Up Higher in God**. In part I and II, we looked at being sensitive to the things and move of God in our heart. How we should be submitting ourselves daily to God; drawing near to Him and allowing Him room and space in our lives as we are drawing near to Him.

We talked about having a pure heart before God and being singled minded in our devotion to Him. We looked at the importance of seeking God and longing for His presence as we **Go Deeper and Come Up Higher**. Lastly, we talked about **Psalm 100** and the beauty of dwelling in His presence.

In part III, we will look at **the importance of the Word of God** and obedience to that Word as we answer the call to **Go Deeper and Come Up Higher**. Let’s start in the book of **Psalm 119:11**, it declares: *Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.* Then in verse **105** it says: *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.*

God’s Word is vital in our everyday walk of life as a believer and we can’t live the Christian life without it. **Luke 4:4** says: *And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.* The Bible has so much to say about the importance of the Word of God in the life of a believer. We will look at a few more scriptures before we end this part of the teaching.

**Proverbs 30:5** lets us know that: *Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.* As we purpose to **Go Deeper in God and Come Up Higher** to Him, we can take this promise in knowing that God’s Word is a shield unto us and that we can trust in the great God of this Word. **Isiah 40:8 (TPT),** *But even though grass withers and the flower fades, the word of our God stands strong forever!* When everything else withers and fades, the Living, Powerful Word of God will Stand Forever.

One last scripture as it relates to the Word of God as we are looking at **Going Deeper and Coming Up Higher** is **Hebrews 4:12 (TPT)** *For we have the living Word of God, which is full of energy, and it pierces more sharply than a two-edged sword. It will even penetrate to the very core of our being where soul and spirit, bone and marrow meet! It interprets and reveals the true thoughts and secret motives of our hearts.* I love this scripture and have set it to memory as it speaks so powerfully of how God’s Word works in our lives.

We will end part III and pick up next month as we look at how being **Obedient** is essential in **Going Deeper in God and Coming Up Higher To Him**. I trust that the first three parts of this teaching has been such an encouragement and motivation to you. My desire is that you will be encouraged to give God your all by **Going Deeper in Him and Coming Up Higher**. Again we wish you and your family the **Merriest Christmas** and a **Blessed, Safe and Happy New Year!**