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"Acquaint thyself with God..."

The above quote is the summation of what A W Tozer believed to be the 'secret' that the church needed to rediscover to regain the power and witness that so long has been missing.

He goes on to say; "But the God we must see is not the utilitarian God who is having such a run of popularity today, whose chief claim to men's attention is His ability to bring them success in their various undertakings and who for that reason is being cajoled and flattered by everyone who wants a favor."

Tozer reminds the reader that there are conditions to be met in order to gain knowledge of Our Most Holy God...Humm, I remember another man of God who used to 'harp' on meeting the conditions required in order to walk in right relationship with God; now many find fault and criticize him, I guess this won't go over very well with them regardless of how true it is.

These conditions are NOT a formula where one goes step by step and suddenly all their problems are solved, but these are Biblical instructions laid out and repeatedly shown as requirements for a man/woman to walk in right relationship with Almighty God. First and foremost, WE MUST FORSAKE OUR SINS. ("Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.") Second, total committal of our lives to Christ in faith. (there's that word again, F.A.I.T.H...<for further reference see, Deeper Life in The Spirit by Hobart Freeman>) This is where we keep His commandments and pick up our cross daily and follow Him, love Him and our fellow man. Third, Tozer points out that we must reckon ourselves dead unto sin and alive unto Christ, walking in The Spirit and trampling under foot the lust of the flesh. Fourth he writes we must set our affections on things above and detach ourselves this world and it's ways. And lastly, he says we should spend time in meditation upon the majesty of God, and might I add, worship.

I was encouraged greatly by this book, as well reminded of just how Great, Holy, and wonderful GOD is. It reinforces my faith and gives me strength, it causes me to reflect back on my relationship with God and ultimately encourages me to examine my heart to be sure my view of God isn't tainted by the corruption of modern religion. It also reminds me to be thankful for His Holy Word He has so graciously given us, the way we come to know Him, His attributes and character. Praise God.

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