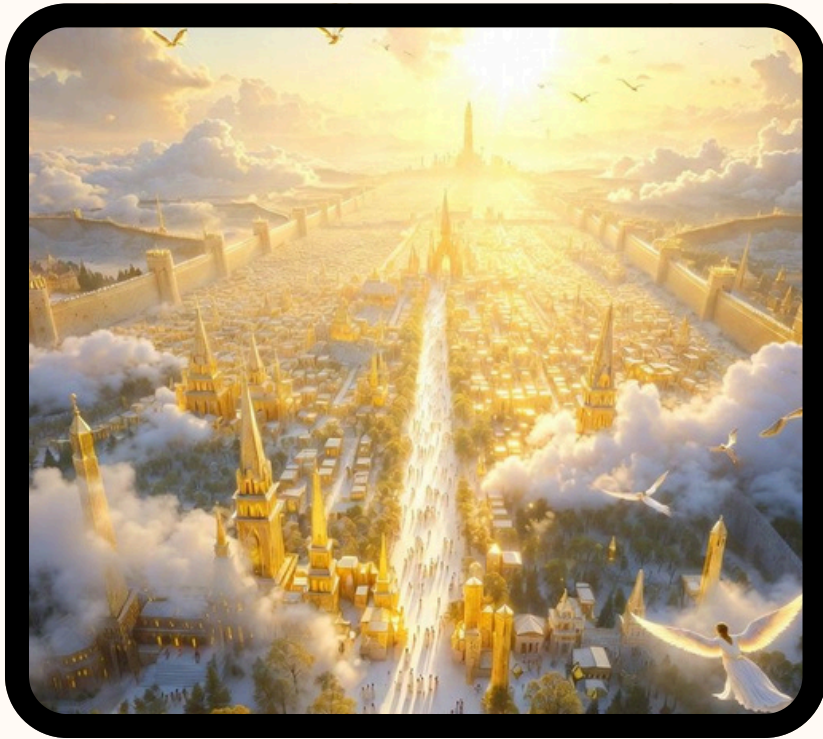




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Key Scriptures: John 14 : 15
**"If you love me, keep my
commandments"**

The Kingdom of God works by laws & principles just like any other kingdom. Kingdoms do not function by emotions or sentiments but are governed by rules, laws and principles that provide the legal binding upon which the kingdom is established.

A Principle is a rule that controls how something happens or works. In the kingdom of God, God's principles are the standards for producing results, the kingdom of God operates by principles and laws (commandments), which are legal binding. The only way we can express our sincere love for God is by keeping his commandments (John 14:15) and his commandments are based on his (God's) principles. To obtain results in this kingdom, you must follow God's principles and Laws.

God's principles cannot change; his principle is his strength. even the devil cannot work against God's principles. The kingdom of God doesn't operate by our emotions or feelings.

God's principles are not subject to change, they are eternal for there to be an alteration in God's principles, a higher authority must come to play, which is absolutely impossible because God is the highest authority in heaven and on earth.

▪ **How To Live by God's principles**

Emotion are feelings such as happiness, love, fear, anger or hatred. Even though these feelings are impulses that makes us human, we are not to give ourselves to be controlled by impulses or feelings i.e. our emotions. If these human feelings or impulses are not subjected under the control & rulership of God's principles as divine authority, they would distract us from following & obeying God's principles. The bible says in Romans 8 v 9(CEV) ""You are no longer ruled by your desires, but by God's Spirit, who lives in you. People who don't have the Spirit of Christ in them don't belong to him:".

These desires include emotions that we must not allow to rule us rather we must be ruled by the spirit of God that lives in us.



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▪ Living by God's principles in our place of assignment

In IWMI, we do not cry when we are supposed to pray, God has set us on the walls of Jerusalem as gatekeepers to intercede till Jerusalem becomes a praise on earth. This means we are to pray day and night to bring forth the will of God on earth.

(Jeremial 1 v10 and Isaiah 62 v6-7)

As gatekeepers, our duty is to intercede and our place of assignment is not a place to lay down our emotions (worry, cry, giving excuses etc). However, in our place of assignment our expressions are sincere reverence to God for his glory. This sort of emotional expression is different from emotions that are based on a need/request that hasn't been met, or because we're tired and overwhelmed with a certain challenge. We worship God in truth and in spirit. (John 4:24). He's in search of true worshippers (those who understands His principles and engage them for his glory and not for selfish impulses /desires).

FOOD FOR THOUGHTS: Are you a true worshipper? Do you understand the principles of God and what are these principles?

Conclusion

Dear gatekeepers, we must not give in to our emotions nor allow our emotions to rule us, rather we are to hold on to the principles of God as the authority that controls everything we do. God's principles surpass emotions, so we must abide by these principles to win the race of faith we began in Christ.

In conclusion, to be a successful intercessor, one must subject all emotions under the control of the principles of God. As gatekeepers (intercessor) we must understand that emotions like anger, hatred, gluttony should have no place in our mind. God's principles dictates and directs our everyday life always.

Hallelujah !!!