

A Deep Dive into Living the Gospel of Jesus Christ



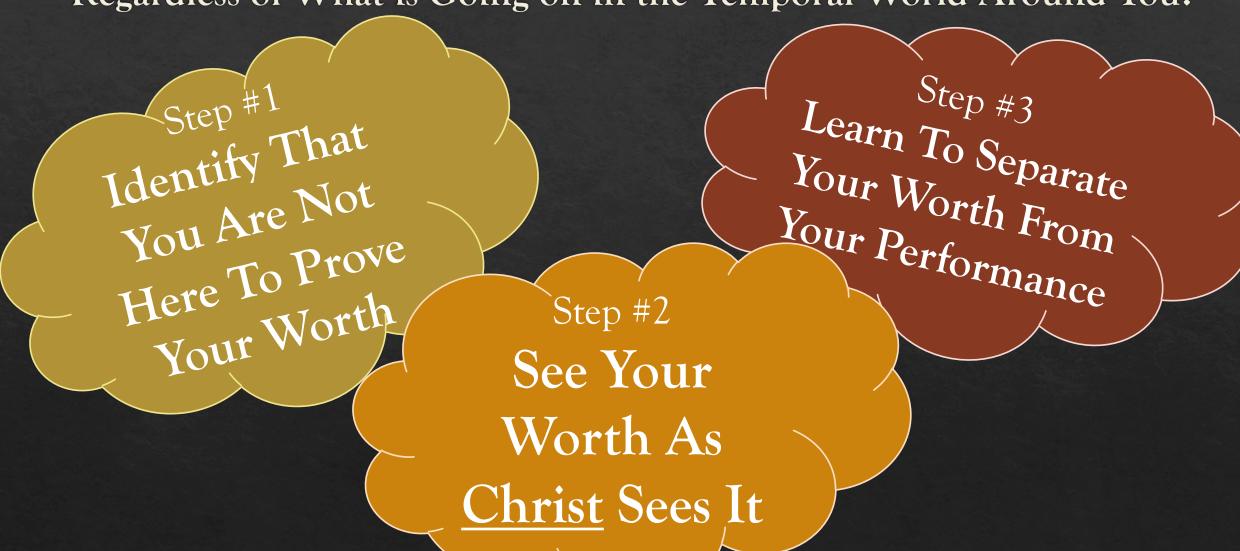
#### Worth of Souls

Lesson 5



Thought Habit #3

Using Daily Performance For Spiritual Growth Review: How Can You Create High Feelings of Self—Worth Regardless of What is Going on in the Temporal World Around You?



"After several stressful days of not getting enough done at work I decided to reframe my thoughts and try focusing spiritually on my worth, instead of how frustrated my boss was with me. First thing in the morning I got up and held the thought that "My Savior values me beyond any measure no matter what I do or don't do this day. I wasn't sent here to prove my worth to anyone, including my boss. Everything I get finished today I dedicate to the Lord". After starting my day with this determination in my heart and mind I went to work. I was AMAZED at the difference. I didn't feel so stressed out. I knew everything I was completing I was doing it for the Lord. My boss still demanded more from me, but anytime that happened I said in my mind by prayer, "Heavenly Father I know my worth doesn't vary just because my boss is feeling so stressed." I didn't transfer my bosses feelings over to my value! It was a miracle! I knew I was doing everything I could and the Lord was helping me. The rest of the week I kept spiritually focusing at work and by the end of the month I completed everything that was required of me. Doing this changed my relationship with my boss. It is a much better way to live knowing that my worth is not based on what I do!" - Heather

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### 12 Thought Habits Of Christ

11. Love God With All My Heart, Mind & Soul

10. Choosing Godly Sorrow Keeps Me Spiritually Focused

> 9. Daily Repentance: Turn Back To God & Live

12. Forgiving & Judging Righteously Help Me Progress

8. I Have No Power

Over What Others

Think, Feel, & Do

7. I Have Power Feel, & Do

1. Holy Ghost Confirming Daily I Am On The Path

2. Separating My Worth from My Performance

6. Being Truly

Grateful During

Adversity

3. Using Daily Performance For Spiritual Growth

> 4. Viewing Everything in this World as a Stewardship

5. Using Enticements For Spiritual Growth

Over What I Think,

Be Prepared To Meet Him!

# Performance Cycle

Step #1 Performance
Giving Talk
Yelling at Kids



Step #2 –
Creation of
Feelings

Feel great about talk we gave

Feel terrible about yelling at kids



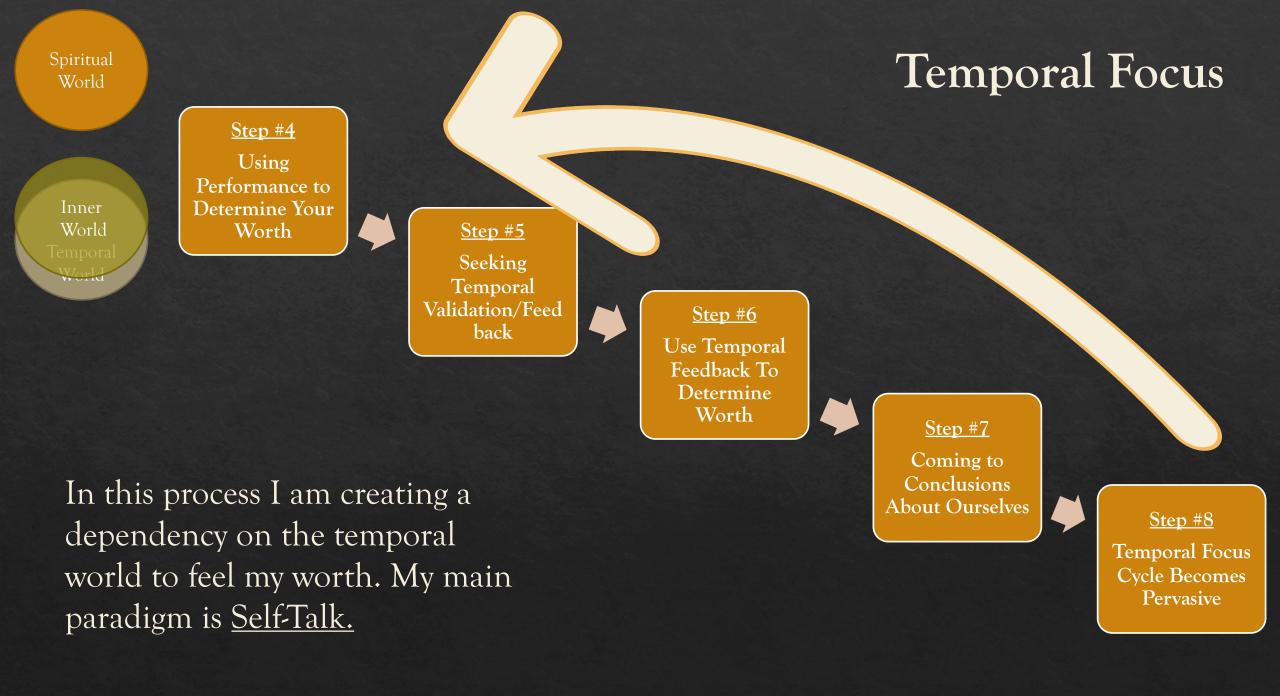
Step #3 –
Transferal of
Feelings

Moment of
Decision Feelings are
transferred to the
spiritual world or
temporal world

Spiritual World

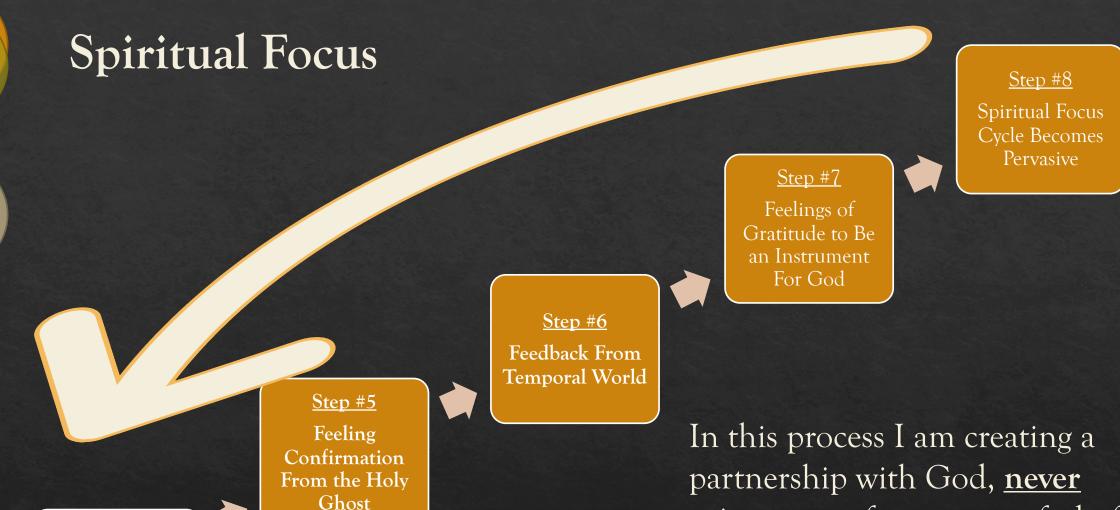
Inner World (Mind & Heart)

Temporal World





Temporal World



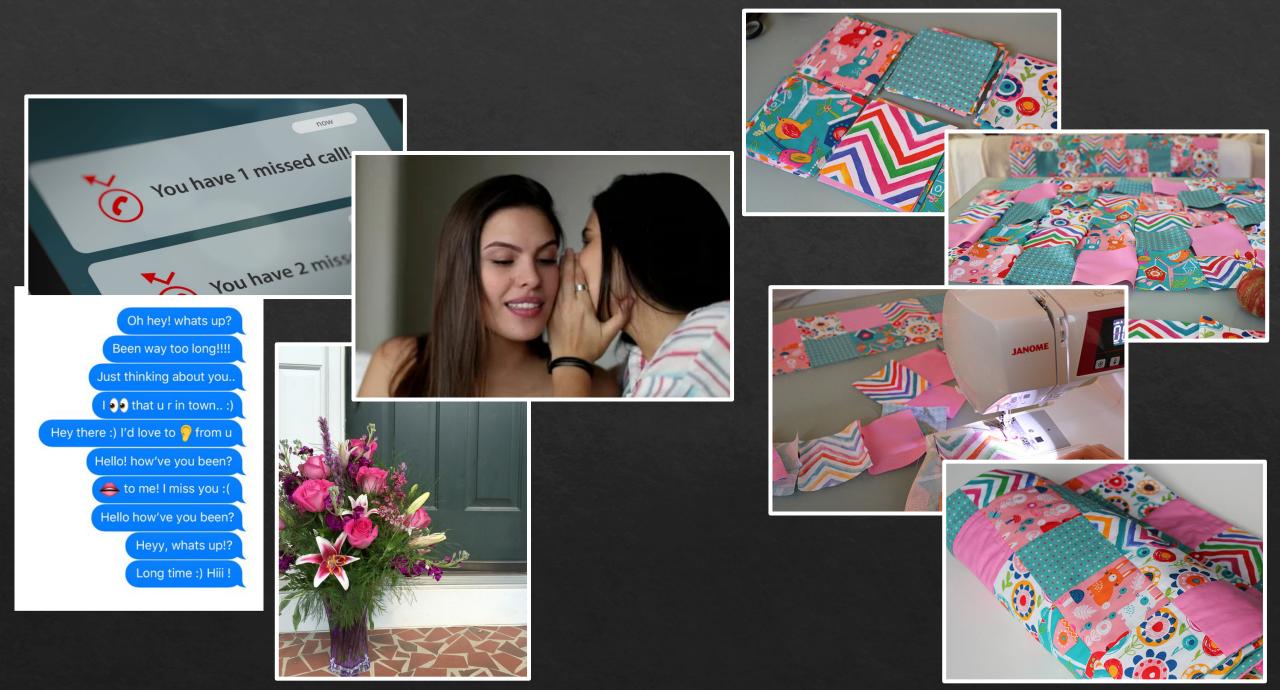
Step #4
Using
Performance to
Glorify God

In this process I am creating a partnership with God, <u>never</u> using my performance to feel of worth before Him. My main paradigms are <u>Praise & Prayer.</u>

# To Glorify God



Matt 5:16 – "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your father which is in heaven."



# To Become Like Jesus Christ

Matt 5:48 – "Be ye therefore perfect (complete, finished, fully developed), even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

~ There are many Latter Day Saints striving for Sanctification (Calling and Election Made Sure, 2nd Comforter Experience, "Being Perfect", Etc.) that they do an overwhelm and lose the Holy Ghost.



- ~ "He that receiveth of God, let him account it of God; and let him rejoice that he is accounted of God worthy to receive." D&C 50:34
- ~ "If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love." John 15:10

# To Qualify For The Grace Of Christ

Eph 2:4-5, 8-10 ... "For by grace are ye saved, through faith... not of works, lest any man should boast..."





"Salvation cannot be bought with the currency of obedience; it is purchased by the blood of the Son of God. Thinking that we can trade our good works for salvation is like buying a plane ticket and then supposing we own the airline. Or thinking that after paying rent for our home, we now hold title to the entire planet earth... Grace is a gift of God, and our desire to be obedient to each of God's commandments is the reaching out of our mortal hand to receive this sacred gift from our Heavenly Father." – *Uchtdorf, April 2015* 

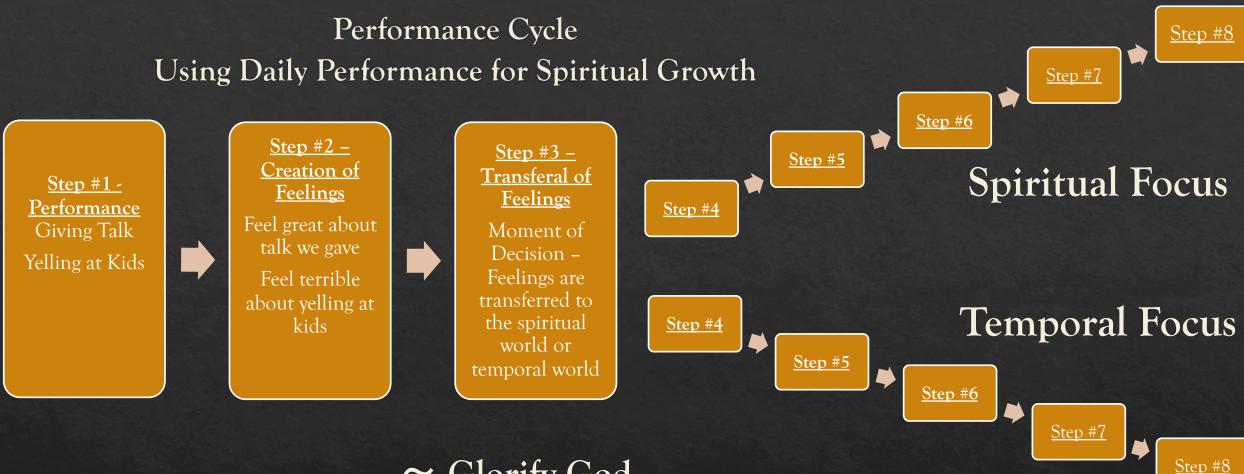


# To Qualify For The Riches of Eternity

D&C 78:17-19 "... be of good cheer ... The kingdom is yours and the blessings thereof are yours, and the riches of eternity are yours.

"Dear brothers and sisters, living the gospel faithfully is not a burden. It is a joyful rehearsal—a preparation for inheriting the grand glory of the eternities." - *Uchtdorf, April 2015* 





## We Perform To:

- ~ Glorify God
- ~ Become Like Christ
- ~ Qualify For Grace
- ~ Qualify For the Riches of Eternity

## Can Your Daily Actions Provide Spiritual Growth?

"...that ye must not perform any thing unto the Lord save in the first place ye shall pray unto the Father in the name of Christ, that he will consecrate thy performance unto thee, that thy performance may be for the welfare of thy soul." -2Nephi 32:9



## Can Your Daily Actions Provide Spiritual Growth?

# Daily activities can be spiritual growth experiences if we do them for the Lord

- Change Diapers
- Mow the Lawn
- Make Dinner
- Clean the Toilet
- · Work Out
- Wash the Windows

- Take Your Vitamins
- Do the Laundry
- Walk the Dog
- Help with Homework
- Make the Bed
- Turn Off the Lights



When we perform daily activities for the Lord we have the shield of faith up and are able to withstand the fiery darts of the adversary

# We Are Here To Enjoy Each Day



"Saints can be happy under every circumstance. We can feel joy even while having a bad day,

a bad week, or even a bad year! My dear brothers and sisters, the joy we feel has little to do with the circumstances of our lives and everything to do with the focus of our lives."



## We Are Here To Enjoy Each Day

#### Romans 14:5-6

"One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day *alike*. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind."

"He that regardeth the day, regardeth *it* unto the Lord; and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard *it...*"



## Every Day is a GREAT DAY!

## When My Performance Makes Me Feel Like I Can't Pray

"... for the evil spirit teacheth not a man to pray, but teacheth him that he must not pray." - D&C 32: 8-9

~ When we have committed serious sin we don't feel worthy to pray, talk to Heavenly Father.

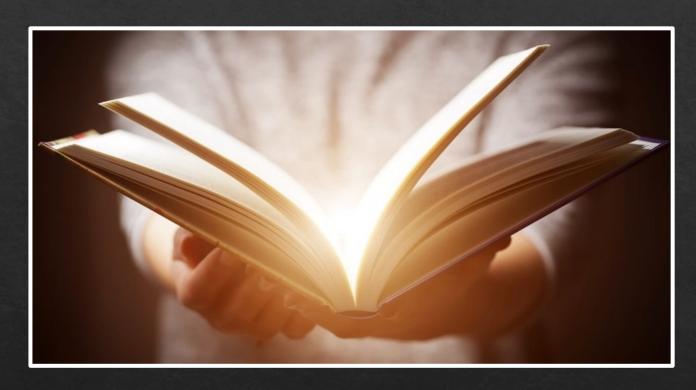




"But behold, I say unto you that ye must <u>pray always</u>, and not faint; that ye must not perform any thing unto the Lord save in the first place ye shall pray unto the Father in the name of Christ, that he will consecrate thy performance unto thee, that thy performance may be for the welfare of thy soul." – 2<sup>nd</sup> Nephi 32:9

~ When we start talking to Heavenly Father again our performance will increase

# The Book Of Life



"In a real though figurative sense, the book of life is the record of the acts of men as such record is written in their own bodies. It is the record engraven on the very bones, sinews and flesh of the mortal body. That is every thought word and deed has an effect on the human body, all these leave their marks, marks

which can be read by Him who is eternal as easily as the words in a book can be read. When the book of life is opened in the day of judgment, men's bodies will show what law they have lived. The great judge will then read the record of the book of their lives, the account of their obedience or disobedience will be written in their bodies." - Mormon Doctrine pg 97

#### Lesson 5 Review & Challenge

Awake and Arouse Your Faculties



Desire to
Believe &
Let the
Desire Work
in You



Don't Cast it Out By Unbelief

## "See"

Matt 5:16 Rom 14:5-6 Matt 5:48 D&C 32:8-9 D&C 50:34 2Ne. 32:9 John 15:10 Rev 20:12 Eph 2:4-5, 8-10 D&C 78:17-19

Post reminders throughout your home/work space to do all things for the Lord.

#### "Think"

Set a timer to go off each hour.

Identify if you are doing a performance for the Lord or not.

#### "Feel"

Receive a witness by the Spirit about the purpose of performance:

- To glorify God
- To become like Christ
- Qualify for grace
- Qualify for the riches of eternity

"Do"

Search

Ponder

Pray

Don't let the routine of your daily habits rule your day. Use the same effort for spiritual growth.

"The Gift of Grace" - Uchtdorf



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