

Do We Have the Right Motive and Objective?

*“And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.”
(I John 3:22).*

The right motive must be:

1. To please God, by serving Him by His Word.

I want you to know that. This has been my motive and my objective, is God's Word. **My motive is to please Him.** And I can't listen to everything and believe God's Word, neither can I listen to everything and please God. **My motive is to know His Word and to please God, by serving Him by His Word** (*John 8:29*). [1]

I never try to come to please an audience. I've never been guilty of that. **I come to try to please God.** And sometimes I might say things, and I might pinch or hurt, but I don't mean it in that way. **We need to stay with truth** (*John 17:17; Ps. 119:160*), **and what's right, and to see the Holy Spirit come down to vindicate that**, that it is right. And that's what we're all seeking. [2]

And any man that's serving God **will act to please God. He will do what God tells him to do, absolutely** (*Heb. 13:20-21*). [3]

Jesus said: „**I do always that which pleases the Father.**“ (*John 8:29*). **That's keep His Word. For to please God, we must believe His Word and keep His Word.** [4]

My whole motive is this: to please my heavenly Father. That's the only thing I have to do, is to please Him (*II Peter 1:17-18*). [5]

2. Divine Love.

We need the fire of God's love in our hearts (*Rom. 5:5*). **We've got to have the Holy Ghost now.** The same Spirit that sent Pentecostal fire in the first day is got to be the same Pentecostal fire today, that's burning their hearts, **their love; they'd die for one another** (*John 15:13*). They went forth with only **one objective: win souls to Christ, one motive: love.** [6]

3. Do I have the right motive?

Of course, you got to have a reason for it. **You can't have faith unless you got some reason.** As I tried to say, some people's faith is in their textbook, some people's faith is in something else, but it depends on where your faith is. I want to believe God's Word, what He says is true. **Then I've got to see whether it's His will or not. Then, if His will, I got to check out my objective to it, and then my motive in doing it** (*Ps. 40:8*). [7]

And it won't work, **no selfish thing will work. Your motives and objectives have to be exactly, perfectly right, then you have faith, to ask.** "If our hearts condemn us not, then we have confidence." See, we've got to have confidence (*I John 3:21-22*). „**I want this to the honor and glory of God.**" **Then faith has a channel to move into;** if it doesn't, then you got mental, intellectual faith, **and not genuine faith from God.** That intellectual faith will get you nowhere. Might get you emotional, but it won't get you the healing that you're looking for. [8]

Now, when Jesus said, "If you ask the Father anything in My Name, I'll do it." (*John 16:23-24*). Now, that's just right straight down off of the shoulder. "I will do it." Now, **it's on conditions, „If you will believe when you ask."**

Now, in Mark 11:23, we find out that Jesus said, "*If you say to this mountain, 'Be thou plucked up and cast into the sea,' and don't doubt, but believe that what you have said will come to pass, you can have what you've said.*" See?

Now, now, the thing, you just couldn't get out here and say, "Mountain, move down." **You got to have a motive and objective to that,** you see. **And that's, you got to find out, first, if it's the will of God, and then your motive and objective to the will of God. And then speak to it, and stand there.** It'll come down, yeah, you see, **if you get the conditions right.** But you've got to have the conditions right. [9]

I don't care what it is. If you say to the mountain, "Be moved." And maybe, if you've got to go over the mountain for a purpose, not to say... Somebody would say, "**Oh, I'm a great man of faith.** I move that mountain." **It will never move.** But if there's something over the mountain that you've got to get over there **for to do the will of God,** and you can't get over it, under it, around it, **and yet something in your heart is telling you to go, you speak the word.** Don't you doubt. And maybe when you speak the word, only one little grain of sand will fall. But it's on its road. The next day, a spoonful may drop, the next day, a teacup full. You will never notice it. But

if you will just hold steady, knowing that it's being done, after while, the whole thing will fall in.

That's the way it is by Divine healing. When you see the working of the Holy Spirit, the Word laid on, **and the Holy Spirit anointing that Word**, and proving it that He is here in our midst to vindicate Himself and to give to you the promise, then you accept your healing.

If there's sin in your life, get it out. **If there's condemnation, get it out. If there's doubt, get it out** (*James 1:6-8; I John 3:20-22*). Until you can see perfectly that **it's God's will, it's God's plan, and you're included in that**, then say, "Sickness, in the Name of Jesus Christ, get away from me." And remember, you might not feel any better for a week. **But as soon as you said that word, something happened. God has to keep His Word.** That sickness shakes, and he begins to turn loose. He will go if you'll just believe it. Don't doubt. [10]

And you must test your motive and objective first. First, find the will of God, and then find your objective, and then test your motive and see if your motive is right. Then as Jesus said in Mark 11:24, "*If you say to this mountain, 'Be moved,' and don't doubt in your heart...*" But as long as you got doubt in a heart **whether it's the will of God**, or your motive or objective is wrong, how is it going to move? **But when you know that your motive is right, and it's the will of God, and your objective is right, it's got to move.** That's all, or God told something wrong. [11]

See, **you've got to know positionally, first, Christ, where you stand. You are heir to this. It's your personal property**; it belongs to you. It's God's gift to you. Nobody can take it away from you; it's yours. "What you ask the Father in My Name, that I'll do." Who can deny anything there?

Now, you've got to find your objective, and your motive, and then the will of God. And if it is the will of God, and your motive's right, and your objective is right, then the mountain will fall. **But outside of that, you could scream till you got hoarse and died, and never would move.** [12]

If your objective is right and your motive is right, then it isn't you speaking, it's Deity Itself speaking through you. "I am the Vine; ye are the branches." And when you can get your own way so away from you, that it's not you no more, but Christ speaking through you... Like these ministers when they get anointed by the Holy Spirit to preach the Word; you don't have to worry about any words. The Holy Spirit just delivers them. You don't know what you're going to say. The Spirit just says it, and it's always right. Now, that's the way it is by speaking to the mountain. If your objective is right and your motive is right, **it isn't you speaking anymore, it's the Spirit**

of God speaking; and that's what moves the mountain: not you, it's the Spirit of God. [13]

The right objective must be:

1. Win souls for Christ – to send souls to Him.

God is a God of variety. Did you know that? Why does He make red flowers, blue flowers, pink flowers, all different kinds of flowers? Why didn't He just make them all white or all red? Why did He make big mountains, little mountains; palm trees, oak trees? Why did He do it? **Because He likes variety.** He's a God of variety. **But He wants it all to harmonize.** That's why He made me with ears, nose, mouth; you the same way. It all harmonizes for one body.

That's the way we can do, harmonize. In our different opinions, we still harmonize because the taste has nothing to do with it. **We are God's people, all marching together with one great purpose, to win souls for Christ.** May it ever be that way! May this great bouquet of God's gathering together here be an everlasting bouquet until He comes to take us Home. My sincere desire is that. [14]

God's throne is in the human heart. There we become one, one in purpose, one in achievement. Because that's what we're achieving, the Kingdom of God, **that's where our objective is to do, to send souls to Him. They're born again Christians** (*I Peter 1:22-23*). That's when we're one. We're united together. We're brethren; **and I have no motives at all, only for one thing: that's to help you find Jesus Christ, the only thing; God knows that. Trying my best to help you...** [15]

And then I want to be like He did. I want to make my objectives the same objectives He had, and, that was, **always trying to do good, to help somebody.** [16]

2. Try to achieve something for the kingdom of God.

I watch every little move, every objective, every motive, **'cause everything is governed by spirit.** This church was put here for a purpose. There is a spirit behind this church. Certainly. **Spirit behind your home, behind every building. Behind everything there is a spirit, motive, and objective.** This church comes here to greatly exalt some human system or something, then its motives is not right; but if it's put here to try **to achieve something for the Kingdom of God, then the motive and objective, both, is right, if the motives is directed that way.** [17]

My objective is the furtherment of the Kingdom of God. If a man goes this way, that way, whatever church he goes, **as long as he comes to Christ, it doesn't matter to me, and that is in my heart.** See? And no matter if we go over and join the Church of Christ, that's just all right. That's fine. What church he joins, it doesn't matter to me, **but as long as I won his soul with Christ, is the main thing.** [11]

3. To stay by the Word.

My objective is to try to explain, **the best of my knowledge by the Scriptures, what is right and wrong.** And it's always been **my objective to never compromise on anything that God has written,** and never say it's right because somebody else says it's right. But it's got to be that way. [18]

4. To glorify Jesus Christ.

My objective is to magnify Jesus Christ – to glorify Him (*John 15:8*). [19]

Always remember, church; God's Words are true. **I believe the right mental attitude towards any Divine promise of God will bring it to pass,** if you can look at it in the right way. But remember, here's been my standard in life. I have tried to do this. **The first thing, I want to find out whether it's the will of God or not.** Then I know it's God's will. **The next thing, is my objective to it and my motive in doing it. Then if it's the will of God, and my objective is right, and my motive is right, I have faith that it'll be done.** Because, **first, it's the will of God and my objective is to glorify Him** (*Rom. 11:36*), **and my motive is to give Him all the glory.** See? **So there's no selfish motives about it.** If you have a selfish motive it won't work. If your objective is to make money for yourself or something, why, you'll never succeed. And then try to do something **outside of the will of the Lord,** then it won't work to begin with. [20]

He's my objective... **My motive to Him is to sacrifice everything that I have to follow Him,** whether I'm called a fanatic, whether I'm called a Divine healer, a holy-roller, whatever it might be. I don't care for the things of the world, and I don't believe any Christian does. **We want to follow Christ. That's my objective: Follow Him; lift Him up.** That's what we need today, is people willing to sacrifice. [21]

Get love in your heart, and be true and honest, and have the right kind of a motive, and the right kind of objective, and God will take care of the rest. If your motive is right, and your objective is right... If your

objective's right, and your motive's wrong, it won't work. But **if you know it's the will of God, then your motive right, and your objective right...** [22]

And, Father, **our motive, and our objective and our longing in our heart, is to see Christ glorified.** So we pray that our efforts tonight will be, as they continue, **to bring people to a living faith in a living God, that a God** that is not dead, but is alive forevermore. [23]

5. To see the Presence of Jesus Christ.

Our objective, mainly, is for you to see the Presence of Jesus Christ, and know that He is here. And then, while you're **in His Presence, just accept Him** as your Saviour and your healer. If you're not saved, accept Him as Saviour. If you're saved, and not healed, then accept Him as your healer. Then no one can say, "Brother So-and-so laid hands on me." No. **You laid hands on Him, then that's the main thing.** Now I want you to bear that in mind, all the time. **It's you touching Him.** And the Bible said, that, "He is the High Priest that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities." (*Heb. 4:14-16*). And now remember that, it's you touching Him. [24]

"Expectancy," that's a great thing, to expect something. **You usually get what you expect.** Some people come to the meeting and say, "Well, I didn't expect to get anything out of it." Well, they won't. **But those who expect to get something, God will give them their expectations,** if they're doing it reverently and in the fear of God (*Psalms 62:5*). [25]

6. To find the will of God.

But first, you see, your motives and objectives have to be right. You have to have reasons for this. God doesn't give you those things just because you ask. **And you cannot ask in faith unless there's a real objective to that, to be in the will of God.** See, if you want to be well, what do you want to be well for? **See, if you want to be healed, what's the reason you want to be healed?** What are you telling God? What do you want to do with your life when you get healed? See, you've got to have **a motive and objective, and they have to be right according to the will of God. And then's when the faith is revealed to you,** and God by His sovereign grace places that faith in there, **then it's over.** Now see? [8]

Now, always to find out something **first is to find whether it's the will of God or not.** [25] Faith is a revelation of the will of God. [26]

And then if it's the will of God, then your objective to it, and then your motive in doing it. If it's the will of God, and your objective is right,

and your motive is right, it's got to happen. There's just no way to keep it from happening. [25]

Find out in the Word if it's supposed to be done, **and then God is calling you to do it, and it'll do it. When you know that it's spoken in the Word to do it, and then God has called you to do it, then it'll happen; if your motive and objective is right, to God.** That's why visions take place, why things are going the way... You have to know, and know God promised it this hour. [27] **And then take it upon the leading of the Holy Spirit in your heart and stay with it. God will bring it to pass.** [28]

Have I the right motive and objective?

Now that's what we are here for. That's my Message, has been all along, is the Word of God. We must hold to That regardless of what other things take place. Always stay with that Word. Always check out your motives and objectives, if it is according to the Word of God. If it isn't, leave it alone. See? **But if it's with the Word of God, and lines up with the Word of God, then, that, you hold to that.** [29]

There's something that, no matter what the difficulty is, you want to go anyhow, because **you've got an objective. And if you'll take the right motive towards that objective, you'll get there.** You've got to have the right motive towards your objective. **That's the way I always find the will of God. First, think, "If it's the will of God, then my motive and my objective to it..."** If it's the right motive, then the objective, I have. [30]

Now, we know that man could not move a mountain just by speaking to it. **The only thing could do that would be Deity.** So then, if the mountain is before us, and our objective is right, and our motive is right, then it isn't us speaking any more; it's Deity speaking. Then it has to move. [31]

And all the time these things are going on, the Spirit of the living God is striving with flesh, trying to get man away **from his own achievement, trying to get man away from his own selfish motives and objectives, to a plan which God has laid down.** And as long as man works in his own plan, he will be a failure. And a man can only achieve right when he comes back **with the right objective and the right motive, and that is according to God's plan for him.** Any other foundation is on sinking sands. [15]

O Lord, grant these things because we love You, and we love to worship Thee, and adore Thee among Thy people. **We have one objective, Lord; that is to serve Thee. One motive, is to do it in the way that You'd have us to do it.** So grant unto us Thy Holy Spirit for these things. We ask in Jesus' Name. Amen. [32]

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