WORDS FOR MEDITATION (18)

- 1) John 16:7-8 and Romans 8:1 Conviction and guilt come from the Holy Ghost and the New-Nature over unrepented sin; condemnation comes from self, others and Satan over sin that has been repented for and washed away by the Blood of Jesus.
- 2) Ephesians 4:22-24 Tears reveal conviction; a changed life reveals genuine repentance.
- 3) **2 Timothy 4:1-4, 2 Timothy 2:1-2, 1 Peter 5:1-4** The measure of a church's value is not in its number of members or in the manifestations of the Gifts of the Spirit, but in the truth it teaches.
- 4) Romans 8:37, 2 Corinthians 2:14, Ephesians 6:10-13 The circumstances of this fallen world will confirm the thoughts that fear instills. In the Kingdom, there is no such thing as "coping" with fear, sickness, etc; there is only overcoming, conquering, and defeating.
- 5) Ecclesiastes 5:5 and Luke 14:26-27, 33 Many Christians want to be full time in ministry, but they don't want to be full time in service and commitment.
- 6) **Romans 10:17, 1 Timothy 4:13-16** The moment you hear something in a sermon and think "I already know that," and begin to zone out to that sermon, you are shutting an inner door of your spirit to receiving increase from God.
- 7) Galatians 5:16-17 and Romans 8:6-7 The voice of the flesh mocks the voice of God's Word.