

Inspirational Moment #3-88

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Thought: Beware of the Undertow

Scripture: *Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth? Galatians 5:7 KJV*

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
Ephesians 6:12 KJV

As saints of God, we need to be always vigilant, on guard for the hidden things of life. Hidden things such as the **UNDERTOW**; hidden, not seen things that run contrary to God. The dictionary says "*a current below the surface of the sea moving in the opposite direction.*" Think about it, if you are caught in one of those currents you may think you are going the right way, but because of the currents beneath the surface you are actually going the wrong way. Lord have mercy.

Our prayer should always be to seek the Lord that he help us stay alert to avoid those hidden things that would pull us back into the devil's traps. Think about some of those things you've seen or dabbled in such as fortune telling, tarot cards, and palm reading. The devil uses these things to pull one from God. In Acts 13: 6-13, Paul- being full of the Holy Ghost- called the sorcerer a child of the devil, an enemy of all righteousness. You can't dabble and play on the devils territory and not get burned. You can't count on not being affected when you keep on doing things that are not of God.

Think about people you know who began doing drugs, stealing or some other unlawful thing. After a while they couldn't understand why you thought they were wrong. For them wrong was right, they were caught in the **UNDERTOW**. The Word of God is our guide. The Word of God gives us direction and keeps us alert to the snares of the devil. You are either on the Lord's side or you're not; there is no in between.

Read some of these scriptures: Isaiah 47:13,14, Deuteronomy 18:9-12, and Acts 13: 6-13

Prayer: Oh Lord, my help and ages past, my hope for years to come. Lord, protect me from the dangers seen and unseen. Give me Godly wisdom that I am alert and stay away from the **UNDERTOW** of Satan's snares. Oh, Holy Father thank you for your presence that keeps me and protects me. I'm holding on Lord, I'm holding on. Amen