On The Road To Emmaus

In God's Word, we find the following verse, "And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding," (Col 1:9 ESV)

Our prayer life is not to be one of starts and stops but rather a constant practice regardless of the circumstance surrounding us. How can this be? This can only happen if we have an attitude that is God centered and God conscious. This means that if we hear of something bad, we immediately react with prayer. If we hear of something good, we again immediately react with a prayer of praise to God because we know that it glorifies Him. When the apostle Paul looked around he was always prompted to pray.

If it is our desire to develop a constant vibrant prayer life, we must develop a God-consciousness in the way we view people. Hear what the apostle Paul says: "From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer." (2 Cor 5:16).

Paul no longer could look at people in the way he used to. He began to view them as souls for whom Christ died. He saw them in relationship to God and His plan for their lives and as a result he was always moved to prayer.

We need to put off our secular mindset that sees the world without God. The mindset that sees weakness in carry the cross. When we develop the mindset of living in the presence of the living God we will find watching the news and other events painful. We will find ourselves lamenting and lifting up people, the church and society before a Holy God and interceding on their behalf.

Are you developing the mindset of living in the presence of our Holy God?

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