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Ways, not works

In no time in history, it seems, did so many people face **crossroads**. Families, organizations, churches and mission agencies are asking: left, right, forwards, backwards – which way do we turn? Financial, personal, structural or political challenges demand for decisions. But who helps those who have to make decisions to make a good one – better, a godly one? How does this work, practically, that GPS (Gods Prophetic System) that we discussed in the last issue of *Fridayfax2*? How do we hear God in such a way that it truly points us into the right and possibly strategic direction? How do we hear God's voice – and do, what he says?

Safe job in Egypt - or friend and delivery staff of God?

In the Old Testament we find a distinct difference amongst the people of God. There were those that were interested in his works – and those that were asking about his ways. All of them who joined the Exodus, for example, had ample chances to see God in action: thunder, lightning, smoke, trumpets, quails, manna, the opening of the red sea, water springing out of the rock. However, when there was a miracle-break, many who were only works- and action-oriented found it easy to walk away from God, participate in casting a golden calf, murmuring and look back longingly for the safe jobs in Egypt – including an allowance of onion and garlic.

But not so the "friends of God": they were not looking for God's hands (please do something for me!), but for his face: "Let me know your ways", prays Moses on the Sinai; "Show me your ways, o Lord", asks David in Psalm 25. "How can I hide from Abraham what I am doing?", says God in Gen 18:17. And then he confers to him (as well as Moses) possibly the highest title available on earth: "my friend". How do we become such "friends of God" again? Many modern day friends of God, prophets that have been called by God to seek out the voice of God not just for themselves, but for others (and even whole nations), tell of three phases in their own journey with God towards this:

1: I and God. This is the phase to build a deeper and more intimate relationship with God than others do; to simply invest more time, energy, passion, to even take days off or even take holidays for that, like Christians do on the various prayer mountains in Kampala, Seoul, Lüdenscheid and other places.

2. God for others. This is where you seek God's face not because of yourself and your problems and questions, but because and on behalf of other people. "God, what do you say to my neighbour, colleague, friend, enemy, boss, president?" This is where we read the bible – for others! An once we have put aside our own ego, we might start to hear God for others. And once we begin to pass on what we have heard, we begin to become God's postman, his delivery staff, handing out his letters and parcels to others.

3. God and I. This is when we come to God and say: all my own problems, issues, friends aside – What is it, Lord, that is on your heart, independent of my own disposition? Lord, where are you going, what will you do, and why are you doing it? Please show me your ways." You learn to "separate yourself for God", like it is excellently described in the booklet "Set apart for God" by John Mulinde (John Mulinde, POB 8085, Kampala, Uganda). And to become a little queer and absent-minded is probably a natural part of such a life...

Again and again, people who have embarked on such a journey, God is testing our allegiance. Nothing is more dangerous for a communication if a mail man is being handed a letter for delivery, but opens the envelope and makes his own corrections and amendments. Here an example of Sadhu Chellappa (Chennai, India), probably one of the most fruitful and creative Evangelists on the planet. He has probably led more Hindus to Christ than any other living person.

Preach to the tree!

In the middle of the night, Indian evangelist Sadhu Chellappa suddenly sensed God speaking to him: "Leave your house quickly, and run away!" Chellappa was used to accepting even strange instructions from God without discussion. He dressed quickly, and ran into the darkness. After a while, he felt God tell him "Stay here under the tree and start to preach!" Even for an experienced evangelist, this was rather surprising - there was no one to be seen. Why did God want him to preach to a tree in the middle of the night? He started to preach, and finally reached the point at which he called on his unseen listeners to give their lives to Jesus. He was rather surprised to hear a voice from the top of the tree, and see a man climb down and tearfully give his life to Jesus. The man had been about to hang himself from the tree as Chellappa started his message about Jesus. "That taught me to follow God's instructions, whether I understand them or not," he says. (Website of Sadhu Chellappa: www.agministries.com)

Revival in Europe

In July 2005 Swiss Prophet Erich Reber (see Fridayfax2 issue 4/2005) had a vision of a huge harvest in Europe. Thousands and tens of Thousands will be finding Jesus, whole stadiums will be filled and a great harvest will happen in Europe. But for this people need to be prepared – the people of God need to be made expectant and ready for the harvest. The main points of his detailed vision:

Holyness, not just healing: "Sanctify yourself, because tomorrow God will do wonders". Of course it is God's will to heal; but he is not ready to leave his glory to an unholy people. Way too many Christians are living a shadow existence, a double standard life. But only with holy people can God fulfill his holy plans. Especially uncleanness in sexual and financial areas are entirely intolerable for God. God is right now sifting through his workers and looks out for obedience, not anointing or position.

Answers, not candles. We will witness more and more shakings and catastrophes. These trials demand answers. Instead of lighting one more candle, announcing one more minute of silence, churches need to learn to give clear answers for mankind that is shaken again and again by God. And this answer is Jesus, and Jesus alone.

Passionate nobodies. Like Gideon's army of 300, who were so thirsty that they did not drink orderly and cultivated with their hands, but threw themselves into the water and drink like a dog, so God is sifting through his harvest workers. Who are those that desperate enough for God, so that he forgets about his name, fame and status, and throws himself before God. Those are the ones that are useful for God. These are the people God is going to write history with. Others he will simply bypass. Where will you be?