

WORLD'S EYE VIEW

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And now for "World's Eye View."

George Bronner: It's an honor to be able to speak to you again on this night, this beautiful night. I am George Bronner and this is the imagination station. Each month, I tend to speak on my greatest challenge or my greatest triumph. Usually, it's both. But this month, I noticed that many of the things that I had spoken about in the past are relived and I was trying to pin down what was my greatest challenge or triumph? But everywhere I looked, I saw a message I had already spoken. It was a compilation of my past trials and then I realized the three words that I heard they were told to me they were going to be my title for this sermon started to fit.

It wasn't my actions that were my greatest trial. It wasn't any temptation that was my biggest enemy. Rather, it was my perception and response to the world. The title of the message today is World's Eye View. World's Eye View. My perception of the world had temporarily shifted and to be rather honest, I wasn't focused on anything. My perception went very primal and I could say if I had to summarize my mantra at this time, it would simply be I'm going to do what I want to do.

My mantra was not effective at all. It was very primal and it led me to a place that I had been in several times before. As a matter of fact, it led me to multiple places I had been in several times before. My mantra was simply I'm going to do what I want to do. And then I became curious again about an inconceivable concept and that is eternity. I mean, this life is so short, I've only lived for 15 years. It's crazy to think that after this life, there's an infinite period of time. This is being determined by what I do now. It's simply inconceivable and looking back on that mantra of I'm going to do what I want to do, that would lead me to one place and one place alone.

It was almost terrifying to think about if I'm honest because I was looking at my actions. And again, I've already preached about this before, how reflecting on that day, what happens if that day was Judgment Day? Where would I be sent if what I did today was all that I was judged by? If how I lived this day was the reflection of my whole life and the answer was not pretty.

I had a talk with Genesis on Monday and we spoke about mantras and she asked what mine was after she told me hers and after a little bit of thought, I came to a new one. And it certainly was not I'm going to do what I want to do. Rather, my mantra became, do as I should, not as I could for the glory of God.

Now, the first question would become what is it that I should do? So, I had four levels of this. The first is the word. Look at the Bible. What does the Bible tell you to do in the circumstance? If nothing comes to mind and you can't find it, go to prayer. What do you hear in prayer or what are you convicted to do? If nothing comes to mind and you're not convicted to do anything there, then I would simply go to my knowledge and wisdom on what is best to do. For example, deciding if I should eat a pizza or a salad, a meat lover's pizza or a kale salad.

I look in the Bible. Or as a matter of fact, I just scanned my mind and I can't think of any verse, although I could certainly think about health verses, but let's just pretend. For the sake of this, I couldn't think of a verse and then I went to prayer. I asked God. Father, should I eat this meat lover's pizza or this kale salad? And I feel no type of conviction. I hear nothing in response. I would then go to my wisdom and knowledge of the world. You see, this meat lover's pizza here has a whole lot of salt on it. It's fried, a whole lot of grease. If I hold it up, the grease is flowing down like a river. I could go to this salad over here. Colorful, green, healthy, not overly saturated and fatter. Anything that I don't need, I would simply go with that.

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Yet sometimes, things are still tough to tell what you should or shouldn't I do and that goes to the fourth point. And the fourth point is actually a virtue and that is patience because sometimes, you just got to wait because you don't know then.

Sometimes, you got to wait for new knowledge to come about before you go on an endeavor. Patience is a virtue and it certainly isn't easy. Otherwise, it wouldn't be considered a virtue. I'll say that again. Patience is a virtue and it certainly is not easy. Otherwise, it would not be considered a virtue.

So this month, I went through my old trials and it was all because of my perception of the world and my response to it. It was all because I had forgotten about the grand scheme of eternity. Infinite time to come after this, to think that even if I was a centenarian, lived a century, that it would still be like nothing in the grand scheme of eternity. Truly inconceivable. And I had the thought, it will be so much simpler, feels like a million or a billion years. Then I could say it's only a ten thousandth of eternity. It is infinite time. Even a million years in the grand scheme of eternity would be like nothing. Truly inconceivable.

And again, it left me terrified to see that where I stood was not the greatest. To see that what I was doing was not a reflection of my faith. As a matter of fact, with all that I went through, I had the thought of I see how people at the bottom question their faith. I see how people that are going through the rough parts of their life question their faith and then I put a smile on my face and said, "But I'm not going to do that." I put a smile on my face and said, "I'm not going to do that because I remember what He has done for me." I'm not going to do that because I remember all the times He answered my prayers. I remember all the times when I was uncertain and He provided me with certainty. I remember all the blessings He gave me, all of the tight and narrow squeezes He brought me through. When there was no way, He made one.

Crowd: Amen. Amen. Amen.

George Bronner: So even though I am at my lowest today, what does that have to do with my faith in tomorrow? Even though my feelings reflected terrible state of being, what does that have to do with my faith? Feelings versus facts. As far as I'm concerned, I've been in some pretty bad places before, but I also reached peaks.

I've gone through valleys and I've also been at the top of the summit. God blesses us and faith requires action because as I've spoken before, what if you are judged by your actions just for

today? What if you are judged for your actions just for this week? And a question came to my mind when I was in prayer and it was simply, how have you brought glory to God this week? How have you brought glory to God this week? And you know, I stood there, I was pacing back and forth. Sierra was walking around by my feet and when that question came to my mind, I simply stopped and I looked out the window and I expanded it and I thought, have I brought glory to God this month?

I can think about past times, yet they weren't recent. I can think about the times before I adopted the mantra of I'm going to do what I want to do. But whenever I decided that I was going to focus on me instead of eternity, decided that I was going to do what I wanted to do even if it was just for the moment, indulge in that pizza because it tastes good and even though I'll forget the taste in the next hour is what I wanted to do. I realized that this mantra was not glorifying God in the slightest. I realized that if I was to be judged for this day and this day alone, I would not be seeing that throne. It was simply terrifying to get rejuvenated because the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom and in the time when my perception was focused on the world, my response was focused on pleasure. I realized that's not going to get me much treasure. I realize this is not going to make me much better because when I was in this place of doing what I wanted to do, when I wanted to do it, there were three things that I was primarily doing. Procrastinating, eating and reading.

The reading part is a bit interesting because you think that'd be beneficial, but I wasn't necessarily reading what I needed to be reading. It wasn't expanding my mind. It was just pleasant to read. And then I adopted the newer monstrem after speaking with Genesis, do as I should, not as I could for the glory of God. Again, eternity is quite it literally everlasting. On that day when you take your last breath, everything that you did before is incorrigible. Actions that can no longer be made up because the time that you spent on Earth has been lived up, things where you wonder, will you regret what you did in that short amount of time because in the grand scheme of eternity, I say again is like nothing. A centenarian, an individual who lives over a hundred years is long by this world standard, but your perception has to be beyond this world and on the scale of eternity.

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On the scale that you're not doing what you want to do now, but you're doing it for the glory of God, in the grand scheme of eternity. I petition you to make your own mantras. It doesn't have to be the same as mine, but just take time, say what really matters to you. What do you really value? What principles really uphold your life? And then make a mantra about it. Make a mantra that you can think in those times when you simply don't know what to do. Does this align with my values? The skipping out on this activity that I had previously planned to do, that was going to grow and benefit me, yet I'm skipping out because I don't feel like it anymore. Does that align with my values?

You may have a value of just pleasure. And even though you are consciously aware of the eternity that comes after, you just want to live for now. People sometimes say, "I'm not here for a long time. I'm here for a good time." It's truly an interesting way to live in. I'm not going to judge you, but I'm certainly going to petition you to live differently, to live in the grand scheme of eternity. World's eye view. How does it apply to you? My actions compiled about previous mistakes that I had made, things I had preached about, was consciously aware of the danger and harms that they applied to my life, yet I relive them again. All because my perception and my response to the world was out of place. Thank you.

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