

Living In The Land Of Now

(Looking away from the lie to view the true)

House of the Lord

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Webster's 1828 defines focus as:

A central point; point of concentration.

In optics, a point in which any number of rays of light meet, after being reflected or refracted;

Joshua 1:8 (NAS)

This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success.

One's success is in direct coalition to their point of focus.

One's prosperity results from their point of focus.

2 Corinthians 4:18 (NAS)

while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

A person makes the quality decision not to look at, focus on, contemplate, what is striving to gain their attention. (1)

And makes a heartfelt, conscious, decision to focus on, concentrate on, what they know to be true. (2)

Hebrews 12:2 (NASB)

² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Strong's Concordance

aphoraó: to look away from all else at

Original Word: ἀφοράω

Part of Speech: Verb

Transliteration: aphoraó

Phonetic Spelling: (af-or-ah'-o)

Short Definition: I look away from
Definition: I look away from (something else) to, see distinctly.

Thayer's Greek Lexicon

STRONGS NT 872: ἀφοράω

ἀφοράω, ἀφόρω; to turn the eyes away from other things and fix them on something; cf. ἀποβλέπω. Tropically, to turn one's mind to: εἰς τινα, [Hebrews 12:2](#) (Winer's Grammar, § 66, 2 d.) (εἰς Θεόν, 4 Macc. 17:10; for examples from Greek writings cf. Bleek on Heb. vol. ii. 2, p. 862). Further, cf. ἀπειῖδον.

The New Testament Greek Lexicon

Strong's Number: 872	a)fora/w
Original Word	Word Origin
a)fora/w	from (575) and (3708)
Transliterated Word	Phonetic Spelling
Aphorao	af-or-ah'-o
Parts of Speech	TDNT
Verb	None
Definition	

1. to turn the eyes away from other things and fix them on something

I have said this before, but I choose to restate it here: DECISIONS DECIDE DESTINIES
And: Where you look, your feet will follow.

The Author of our salvation, is also the Author of faith. Not "our" faith as the KJV states, but faith.

He Authored it, when He endured shame, rejection, facts, established order, social dogma's, pride and prejudice, to become one with the Word of Truth.

Hebrews 2:10 (NASB)

¹⁰For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings.

Did the full impact of this passage resonate in your inner being?

He made it all. (John 1:3) All of creation came out of Him. But the Word came out of Him first. (John 1:1)

To correct what Words had created, the Creator, The Word, had to die and start over, so a way could be made for fallen man.

John 10:35, the Word cannot be broken, annulled, or set aside.

It had to go through re-creation – made new, “He makes all things new”. (Revelation 21:5)

In this example, we understand the essence of the power of faith, to change what “seems” or “appears” to be, or exist.

Our point of focus on what is, has to die, to gain a new focus, or a rebirth of hope, that was stolen by the facts. Recreate it in the Spirit realm, empowered by a Truth Promise from the Covenant of Truth!

Hebrews 4:3 (NASB)

³ For we who have believed enter that rest, just as He has said,
“As I swore in My wrath,
They shall not enter My rest,”
although His works were finished from the foundation of the world.

Rest in His Covenant provision or promise, and recognize, and focus on this truth: He and His Word are one.

If His Word addresses it, it already exists (2 Peter 1:3-4) He said it, it has substance in the realm of the Spirit. 1 Corinthians 2:7-10 (created – laid in store – waiting)

1 Corinthians 2:7-10 (NAS)

⁷ but we speak God’s wisdom in a mystery, the hidden *wisdom* which God predestined before the ages to our glory;

⁸ *the wisdom* which none of the rulers of this age has understood; for if they had understood it they would not have crucified the Lord of glory;

⁹ but just as it is written,
“Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard,
And *which* have not entered the heart of man,
All that God has prepared for those who love Him.”

¹⁰ For to us God revealed *them* through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God.

Matthew 25:34 (NASB)

³⁴ "Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'

His works, were finished, in the realm of the Spirit as part of creation, when God introduced Himself into fallen, darkened, hopeless, doomed earth.

The deeds of God in the Old Covenant and in the New Covenant, are literally the things completed in the timeless spirit realm, becoming manifest in the time bound natural realm, and man's acceptance of them or failure to lay hold of them.

Now return to the Word of Truth to explore more of this line of faith.

Isaiah 46:10 (NASB)

¹⁰ Declaring the end from the beginning,
And from ancient times things which have not been done,
Saying, 'My purpose will be established,
And I will accomplish all My good pleasure';

Psalms 33:11 (NASB)

¹¹ The counsel of the Lord stands forever,
The plans of His heart from generation to generation.

Proverbs 19:21 (NASB)

²¹ Many plans are in a man's heart,
But the counsel of the Lord will stand.

Isaiah 14:24 (NASB)

²⁴ The Lord of hosts has sworn saying, "Surely, just as I have intended so it has happened, and just as I have planned so it will stand,

Isaiah 25:1 (NASB)

25 O Lord, You are my God;
I will exalt You, I will give thanks to Your name;
For You have worked wonders,
Plans *formed* long ago, with perfect faithfulness.

Isaiah 40:8 (NASB)

**⁸The grass withers, the flower fades,
But the word of our God stands forever.**

The alreadies of God from The Spirit and The Word must become more real, than all you have seen and heard. Then you will know divine success and prosperity.