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1 Chronicles 22:19

"Now set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD your God, arise..." 1 Chronicles 22:19

Like the pendulum of a clock, men and their doctrines tend to swing from one extreme to the other. At one end of the spectrum men have concluded that salvation is alone the complete work of God and that they have no part in His plan. They are either recipients or not – it is God's choice alone. At the other end of thought, men discount God's plan and believe their good deeds or heart's attitude alone is enough to attain them a place in heaven.

"The wicked through pride, will not seek after God." (Proverb 10:4)

Why must men seek God in the first place? Is He lost? Hardly! How important it is to "set" our hearts to seek the LORD. Life competes for our time, our money, and our devotion. Unless we make a determined effort to seek the LORD we will find our time, our money, and our devotion stolen or haven slipped grain by grain through our fingers!

To seek the LORD is to prioritize our lives in such a way as to "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness." (Matthew 6:33) By seeking the LORD we are offering our lives to reflect the importance we say we have placed upon Jesus Christ. To seek the LORD implies that He has something we need. To seek the LORD places us in a lowly position that needs His assistance! "Humble yourselves in the sight of the LORD, and He shall lift you up." (James 4:10) To set our hearts to seek the LORD is an act of great humility as well as deep devotion and heartfelt need. "When You said, "Seek My face, my heart said to You, "Your face LORD, will I seek." (Psalm 27:8)

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