

# BASIC MESSAGE

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*If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face,  
and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven,  
and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2Chronicles 7:14 NKJV*

### THE CHANGE WE NEED & CAN BELIEVE IN

In these troubled times we hear a lot about change. People sense that God did not intend for things to be the way they are. When we think of change, we need to remember that God told us in Malachi 3:6, that He doesn't change. If things are not as they should be, it is not God's fault, but man's.

God made it clear in Matthew 6:33 that when we seek God's Kingdom and His righteousness all our needs will be met. The reason we need change is because we have not sought God in the decisions we've made. 2 Chronicles 7:13-14 makes it very clear. When we face troubles and sense a need for change there is only one thing we can do, seek Him. First, we must humble ourselves and admit we have lived our lives to please ourselves rather than God. Second, we must pray. Prayer should not be something we do in emergencies. It must be part of our daily lives so that the things we do daily produce fruit for God's Kingdom. Third, we must seek to know God's will and honor Him in all we do. Finally, we must be willing to remove all the things from our life that we know do not please God. He will help us do that. In 1 John 1:9, He promised that, if we would confess our sins He would forgive us and cleanse us. Instead of living to please ourselves or other people, we should seek to please God in all we do. Our plans must be based on a desire to build God's Kingdom rather than personal ambition. The things we desire to have must be for God's purposes rather than just our own pleasure. One of the secrets to the power of The Early Church was they considered everything they owned as belonging to God.

God has told us if we do these things He will hear our prayers, and bring the change we need. No earthly person, no government, no human plans can bring the change we need. If we want real change it must begin with us. If we do it according to God's instructions, it will happen. This is the change we need. If we do it God's way, it will happen.

**BASIC QUESTION: Are you doing the things you need to do to change your world and help make it the way God wants it to be?**

*If you would like to know more about how to change your world  
please contact us.*

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