

**Stop, In the Name of Love**  
**Wednesday Word**  
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Last week I wrote about moving by God's calling for the advancement of the Kingdom. This week I will expand on the opposite; waiting on the Lord. They may seem contradictory but they are not. The fact is sometimes you have to go and sometimes you have to wait.

This word came to me while I was at a stop light. There is something we all do, have done, or seen others do. Even though I'll look at people while they are doing this and pass my judgements (working on not doing that), I will find myself doing it also even after shaking my head at others. The light is red and you know it's not going to turn green any time soon yet you still inch up. The car in front of you inches up, then the car beside you inches up, then (even when you try not to) you inch up, and you see the car behind you inch up; all vehicles inching up with nowhere to go because the light is still red. Tell me I'm not the only one who has noticed this and does this. It happened this week to the point where there was a huge gap between my vehicle and the vehicle ahead of me. I wasn't going to do it but then that gap was so big that I inched up knowing the light wasn't going to change right away.

This incident is a silly example but it is a good one to show how we currently operate with the things of God. Why are cars moving when the light is red? We are all in a hurry to go nowhere. We often do the same with the things of God. We want something to be completed but God says not yet. We follow those around us without looking up. Just because someone else is moving doesn't mean we are individually called to move. Also, just because someone else is moving doesn't mean that God actually called them to move. Looking busy, being busy, and being called to do work are all different things. We are called to follow the leading of Holy Spirit in whatever He tells us.

If God is telling us to stop, rest, or be still it is for a reason. If He is telling us to move and go it is for a reason. God is love and He will not tell us to do something if He didn't have a good reason. He always has our best interests in His heart. He is our everlasting, eternal, Father. We are His heart. When He says to stop moving we are to listen because it probably means there is something around the bend that is not good for us

or that we are not yet equipped to handle. So...stop in the name of Love before we break His heart.

Ezekiel 1:15-21 - Now as I looked at the living creatures, behold, a wheel was on the earth beside each living creature with its four faces. 16 The appearance of the wheels and their workings was like the color of beryl, and all four had the same likeness. The appearance of their workings was, as it were, a wheel in the middle of a wheel. 17 When they moved, they went toward any one of four directions; they did not turn aside when they went. 18 As for their rims, they were so high they were awesome; and their rims were full of eyes, all around the four of them. 19 When the living creatures went, the wheels went beside them; and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up. 20 Wherever the spirit wanted to go, they went, because there the spirit went; and the wheels were lifted together with them, for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels. 21 When those went, these went; when those stood, these stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up together with them, for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels.

Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

Proverbs 16:9 - A man's heart plans his way, But the Lord directs his steps.

Romans 8:14, 19, 28-30, 37-39 - For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. . . .19 For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. . . .28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. 29 For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. 30 Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified. . . .37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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