

A tall white cross stands on a tower against a sunset sky with a large green circular graphic. The background features a sunset sky with a large green circular graphic. The cross is positioned on the right side of the frame, and the tower it sits on is visible at the bottom. The green circle is centered and overlaps the cross and the sky. The text is overlaid on the green circle.

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Reality #6 – You must make major adjustments in your life to join God in what He is doing.

Review:

1. God is always at work around you.
2. God pursues a continuing love relationship with you that is real and personal.
3. God invites you to become involved with Him in His work.

4. God speaks by the Holy Spirit through the Bible, prayer, circumstances, and the church to reveal Himself, His purposes, and His ways.

5. God's invitation for you to work with Him always leads you to a crisis of belief that requires faith and action.

REALITY # 6

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adjustments in your life to join
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You **CANNOT** stay where you
are.....

AND

GO WITH GOD

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Adjustments Are Necessary

When God speaks to you, revealing what He is about to do, that revelation is your invitation to adjust your life to Him. Once you have adjusted your life to Him, His purposes, and His ways, you are in a position to obey. Adjustments prepare you for obedience. You cannot continue life as usual or stay where you are, and go with God at the same time. This is true throughout Scripture.

- **Noah** could not continue as usual and build an ark at the same time. (Gen. 6)
- **Abram** could not stay in Ur or Haran and father a nation in Canaan. (Gen. 12:1-8)

- **Moses** could not stay on the back side of the desert herding sheep and stand before Pharaoh at the same time. (Ex. 3)
- **David** had to leave his sheep to become king. (1 Sam. 16:1-13)
- **Amos** had to leave the sycamore trees in order to preach in Israel. (Amos 7:14-15)

- **Jonah** had to leave his home and overcome a major prejudice in order to preach in Nineveh. (Jonah 1:1-2,3:1-2;4:1-11)
- **Peter, Andrew, James, and John** had to leave their fishing businesses in order to follow Jesus. (Matt. 4:18-22)

- **Matthew** had to leave his tax collector's booth to follow Jesus. (Matt. 9:9)
- **Saul** (later Paul) had to completely change directions in his life in order to be used of God to preach the gospel to the Gentiles. (Acts 9:1-19)

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THE RICH YOUNG RULER (Luke 18)

¹⁸ A certain ruler asked him, “Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

¹⁹ “Why do you call me good?” Jesus answered. “No one is good—except God alone. ²⁰ You know the commandments: ‘You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, honor your father and mother.

²¹ “All these I have kept since I was a boy,” he said.

²² When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “You still lack one thing. Sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

²³ When he heard this, he became very sad, because he was very wealthy. ²⁴ Jesus looked at him and said, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!²⁵ Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”

²⁶ Those who heard this asked, “Who then can be saved?”

²⁷ Jesus replied, “What is impossible with man is possible with God.” [Luke 18:18-27 \(NIV\)](#)

Kinds of Adjustments

- A. In circumstances
- B. In relationships
- C. In thinking
- D. In commitments
- E. In actions
- F. In beliefs

Obedience Is Costly

- A. You cannot stay where you are and go with God at the same time
- B. Obedience is costly to you....
(II Corinthians 11:24-27)

C. Obedience is costly not only to you but to those around you.

(Ex. 5:1-21, John 19, Acts 17: 1-9)

You Must Declare a Total Dependence on God...

- “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. [John 15:5 \(NIV\)](#)

- I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20 (NIV)

- So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. [Isaiah 41:10 \(NIV\)](#)

⁹ Remember the former things, those of long ago; I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me.

¹⁰ I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, 'My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.'¹¹ From the east I summon a bird of prey; from a far-off land, a man to fulfill my purpose. What I have said, that I will bring about; what I have planned, that I will do.

Isaiah 46:9-11 (NIV)

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You Must Declare a
Total Dependence on God
Through Prayer

- When God encounters you, you face a crisis of belief that may require major adjustments in your life.

- Prayer will be exceedingly costly to you.
- You may need to let God wake you up in the middle of the night to pray.
- You may need to spend much time in prayer.

- Times may come when you pray into the night or even all night.
- Becoming a person of prayer will require a major adjustment of your life to God.

FAITH → ACTION

ACTION =

ADJUSTMENTS + Obedience

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The image features a central graphic of a white cross standing on a white ladder-like structure that tapers upwards. This is set against a background of several concentric, semi-transparent circles in shades of green and blue. The background also includes a sky with white clouds. The text 'EXPERIENCING GOD TOGETHER' is overlaid in the center in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font.

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