

Title: The issue with ICE
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“Prophetic”/fun activity (to break the ice):

1. Landscape setting
2. Square object
3. A horse
4. Flowers/plants
5. A ladder
6. The weather

Seasons in our life

1. ANOINTED
2. DISAPPOINTED
3. APPOINTED

Repeated through-out scripture as well: Moses, David, Mary, Jesus, the Bride...

How do you handle the 2nd phase? What is the state of your heart?

A matter of the heart

1 Samuel 16:7 “Man looks at outward appearance, but the Lord looks at **the heart...**”

1 Chronicles 28:9 "As for you, my son Solomon, know the God of your father, and serve Him with a whole heart and a willing mind; for the **LORD searches all hearts, and understands every intent of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will let you find Him...**"

So how do we enter into His presence again? How do we melt the ice? How can we draw near at that place of hostility?

Psalm 100:4 -5 ⁴Enter His gates with thanksgiving And His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name. ⁵For the LORD is good; His loving-kindness is everlasting And His faithfulness to all generations.

Thanksgiving = Trust = Faith = Salvation?

Adam & Eve: distrust lead to the fall.

Jesus: thanksgiving leads to salvation

Jesus models a sacrifice of thanksgiving

Luke 22:17, 19 And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.

Back to ice in the desert

Desert: Reminds us of a generation of God's children that did not inherit the promise.

Ungrateful and self-entitled hearts stay in the desert, until it is completely killed off.

His manna/provision is sufficient:

Manna: What is it? Can you thank Him even for the “what is it”'s?

ICE

ICE: Hindering of the Holy Spirit.

Promotion and increase that is delayed until principle of thanksgiving is understood and applied.

Psalms 116:6-8 ⁶ The LORD preserves the simple; I was brought low, and He saved me. ⁷Return to your rest, O my soul, For the LORD has dealt bountifully with you. ⁸For you have rescued my soul from death, My eyes from tears, My feet from stumbling.

Philippians 3:10 [For my determined purpose is] that I may know Him [that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding the wonders of His Person more strongly and more clearly],

Presence melts the ice. Even if the sun shines harshly.