Strategically positioned

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message

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- Determines what we are able to access / receive and what we are able to give / sow
- Determines from who we can receive and to whom we can give / sow to
- Prov 18:16 “A man’s gift makes room for him, and brings him before great men.”

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Sower & the seed

Mat 13:3-5 “And he spoke many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow; And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up: Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

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Mat 13:6-9 “And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them: But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some a hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.”

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Spiritual position (1)

- John 5:24 “Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that hears my word, and believes on Him that sent me, has everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.”

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Spiritual position (2)

- Rom 5:1-2 “Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”
Spiritual position (3)
- Deut 10:12 “And now, Israel, what does the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul…”

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Spiritual position (4)
- Act 9:31 “Then had the churches rest throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.”
- Prov 1:7, Prov 9:10

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Proverbs 1:7
The fear of the LORD [is] the beginning of knowledge: [but] fools despise wisdom and instruction.(KJV)

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Proverbs 9:10
The fear of the LORD [is] the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy [is] understanding.(KJV)

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Spiritual position (5)
- Yielding spirit, meekness, lay down pride
- 1Pet 5:5 “Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resists the proud, and gives grace to the humble.”

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Spiritual position (6)
- Sowing and reaping
- 2Cor 9:6 “But this I say, He which sows sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which sows bountifully shall reap also bountifully.”
- Gal 6:7 “Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap.”

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Position in the Body of Christ
- Relationships, team (placed each in local body, country, culture) – purpose (1Cor 12:18)
- Accountability, light shine in all areas of life, transparency
- Submission, protection
- How do we relate to those around us and those in authority
- Wise & faithful servants (Mat 24:45)

Position in the world
- 1John 2:16 “For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.”
- Prov 18:16 “A man’s gift makes room for him, and brings him before great men.”

Positioned to see the bigger picture
- Vision, seeking God's purposes for us (collectively, individually)
- Prov 29:18 “Where there is no vision, the people perish…”

Positioned to grow and mature
- Acts 20:35 “…It is more blessed to give than to receive.”
- Grow to maturity (doing basics right continuously, positioned to grow) (Heb. 6:1)