

Come and I Will Tell You...

Earlier this week as I was rising to spend time with the Lord I heard “Come, and I will tell you great and mighty things you know not of.” What caught my attention was the first word — come.

Jeremiah 33:3 was a verse I had both received and quoted often. However, it begins with the word call. I counted over 40 translations ¹ of this verse on www.BibleGateway.com starting with the word [call](#). A few others begin with ask or pray.

³ Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not. Jeremiah 33:3 King James Version (KJV)

Hearing come as a command required more action on my part.

It is possible to call while sitting, standing still, lying down or even turning our back on the person being spoken to. However, to come requires forward motion with intention. Moving toward, advancing and approaching are actions. Each of these responses also involve submitting to God’s request. This is a choice.

As humans we can obey or not. However, the promise to learn great and mighty things we know not of from the King of the Universe are for those who say yes to His call.

Intrigued by the subtle shift in my personal message I quickly sought the dictionary for the definition of come. Merriam-Webster ² included a fascinating list including but not limited to:

1. : to move toward something
2. : to move or journey to a vicinity with a specified purpose

3. : to reach a particular station in a series
4. : to arrive in due course
5. : to advance in a particular manner
6. : to advance, rise, or improve in rank or condition
7. : to arrive at a particular place, end, result, or conclusion

The complete definition of the word come includes many more verbs. The list above was especially meaningful to me as we are in a season of transition. There are many great promises we have already received but they are not without cost.

Life is full of choices as was stated earlier. We always have a choice. Will we come or go? Stay and implement a course of action or wait for instruction? Listen, obey and follow the leading of Holy Spirit? Seek Jesus for His preference for us or blaze our own trail without His direction, consent or wise counsel?

I ended that morning on my knees saying “Yes, Lord, Your servant is listening. What would you have me to know? I have come to wait before You to receive instruction. Help me understand what You want me to know.

“And after I have come, waited, listened and learned please help me carry out every step to be in Your good and perfect will. In Your mighty name Jesus — help me be effective and to step out quickly. Help me be like the servants at the wedding I Cana when Your mother said “whatever He tells you to do, do it.”

Donna Turpin

Come and I will Tell You – Jer 33.3.docx

Copyright © 2019 Donna Turpin PLP Ministries NFP, Prepare Love Praise™ Ministries NFP

¹ (The Zondervan Corporation, 1995-2017)

² (Merriam-Webster, © 2019 Merriam-Webster, Incorporated)