

White Noise: False Expectations
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God created us for Himself.

Proverb 20:5:

“The purposes of a person’s heart are deep waters,
but one who has insight draws them out.”

God has created passion in our souls as we express our purpose. False expectations can derail our lives.

My parents supported me to study music even though my guidance counselor told me no. No matter where we are in life, we are going to have competing voices. Those competing voices at key moments play it safe don't change anything keep the peace

Family members may hinder you.
Sometimes your own ulterior motives will confuse you.

One of my university professors how disappointed he was that I had left graduate school to teach. “What a waste of talent!” he said. I felt like I'd let him down. Then he found out I was “Just a church musician.”

Nobody in your life can predict the path for you!

Who are your “white noise” voices? Your parents? Yourself? Your unrealistic expectations?

Perhaps you can't help but to say yes to others. You are a pleaser. Jesus didn't let false expectations guide Him.

Jesus faced false expectations.

He was going to set up an earthly kingdom. James & John wanted to sit at his right & left. He explained to them that was not His purpose.

In Luke 5: 27-32, the religious leaders called Jesus out for eating with tax collectors and sinners. He stayed true to his calling, saying He was not called to the righteous but sinners to repentance.

Matthew 16:21-23:

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

²² Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!"

²³ Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."

Jesus told the disciples that He must suffer and be killed.

Peter rebuked Him. Peter didn't understand.

Jesus said, "Get behind me, Satan/adversary, challenger."

People didn't understand why Jesus really came.

How can we have clarity & understanding about our lives?

We already have the power Jesus has given

Colossians written- Paul warns to avoid false teachers

Colossians 2:14-16

¹⁶ Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day.

Jesus disarmed the powers & authorities.

Don't let anyone judge you.

That judgment has been buried.

Colossians 2:8-10:

⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

⁹For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, ¹⁰and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority.

We still feel captive, if I say no, I might hurt or let them down.

We have picked them up & bear that burden.

In Matthew, Jesus said, "Get behind me- Peter you have decided to give me those expectations." They have nothing to do w/Him.

They are not your burden to bear.

They still might not understand the deepest waters of your soul!

If we find our own frequency, we won't copy other people's lives. If you do live for their expectations, you will fail.

So what must we do to tune out the "white noise?"

1. Recognize the voice of false expectations.

Write them down. It isn't the job of spouse bring you fulfillment. What are the people we listen to instead of God?

2. Let others own their false expectations.

3. Live out God's frequency for our lives

Do you realize you have been set free?

You can live a life of opportunity with God.