



“Getting Desired Results on Purpose”

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Sermon Notes

Psalm 51:10 (New Living Translation)

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me.

Getting Desired Results on Purpose!

- Information
- Education
- Saturation
- Revelation
- Expectation
- Manifestation
- Liberation

Information

Proverbs 4:20-22 (The Message)

20-22 Dear friend, listen well to my words;
tune your ears to my voice.

Keep my message in plain view at all times.

Concentrate! Learn it by heart!

Those who discover these words live, really live;
body and soul, they're bursting with health.

1: the communication or reception of knowledge or intelligence

2: knowledge obtained from investigation, study, or instruction

Information + Decision = Results

- **Information is the fuel for decision making.**
- **Information is to decision making as a flashlight is to a dark room.**

2 Kings 4:1-7 (The Message)

1 One day the wife of a man from the guild of prophets called out to Elisha, "Your servant my husband is dead. You well know what a good man he was, devoted to God. And now the man to whom he was in debt is on his way to collect by taking my two children as slaves." 2 Elisha said, "I wonder how I can be of help. Tell me, what do you have in your house?"

"Nothing," she said. "Well, I do have a little oil."

3-4 "Here's what you do," said Elisha. (1)"Go up and down the street and borrow jugs

and bowls from all your neighbors. And not just a few—all you can get. (2)Then come home and lock the door behind you, you and your sons. (3)Pour oil into each container; (4)when each is full, set it aside."

5-6 She did what he said. She locked the door behind her and her sons; as they brought the containers to her, she filled them. When all the jugs and bowls were full, she said to one of her sons, "Another jug, please." He said, "That's it. There are no more jugs." Then the oil stopped. 7 She went and told the story to the man of God. He said, "Go sell the oil and make good on your debts. Live, both you and your sons, on what's left."

Alfred Nobel

When you hear this name, what do you think of? The Nobel Peace prize might come to mind. However, that's only chapter two of his story. Alfred Nobel was the Swedish chemist who made his fortune by inventing dynamite and other powerful explosives used for weapons. When his brother died, one newspaper accidentally printed Alfred's obituary instead. It described the dead man as one who became rich by enabling people to kill each other in unprecedented numbers. Shaken by this assessment, Nobel resolved to use his fortune from then on to award accomplishments that benefited humanity. Nobel had the rare opportunity to evaluate his life at its end and yet live long enough to change that assessment.

He took the information from the life he had lived and decided to change to get the desired result from his life he wanted...to make a difference in the world for the better.