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Hiding in the Scriptures
(Isa.45:15, Isa. 50:10-11, Gen.18:17)

Beginnings of Hiding (Gen. 3:8, Gen. 4, Gen.18:17-18, 1 Sam. 13:14, 2 Sam. 11 and 12, Rom.1:19-22, Jn.2:1-11). MORE--Isa. 1:15, 8:17, 30:19-20, 48:6, Psa.88:14, Pro, 25:2, Mt. 11:25

Wise Axioms on Hiding

#1 Truth

#2 Sin

#3 Himself

#4 Suppression

Walk of faith (Isa. 50:10)

Walk of Self-Power (Isa. 50:11)

Reflections and/or Applications

1. God hides truth from us but that is His right. He is testing us to see how serious we are about knowing Him better. That journey toward Him will expose the truth in His timing. Wait on Him in the power of His Holy Spirit!

2. We frequently hide our sin, but sin more to hide the previous sin or sins. The snowballing effect makes the heart harder and harder. We need to keep short accounts with the Lord.

3. Since God hides Himself, that should be a tremendous encouragement to seek Him more intimately. His Spirit will guide us into the truth. It must be all of Him and our obedience.

4. Suppression of truth is a dangerous path because it leads to slavery of the soul or idolatry.

5. All believers (see Job 19 and 23) will experience darkness (absence of light) at some time for it is ordained by God to purify our faith. Cling to the names of God for they are simple and deep; and they will enrich your meditations, prayers, and our soul. Keep walking by faith in these times.

6. Pray for God to enlarge the mansion of your heart and to sensitize your ears to hear His voice.

7. Avoid lighting your own fires. We need the body of Christ, deep relationships with members of the body to hold us accountable, and the humility of Christ in all that we do.