Choosing Glory

Reaching for Celestial Life in a Telestial World

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“Ye are the light of the world..Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in Heaven.” Matthew 5:14, 16

Each kingdom (Telestial, Terrestrial, Celestial) is governed by its own law, and with the choices we make every day, each of us is choosing which level of law we will obey. But the law we live now does more to determine which kingdom we will ultimately inherit in the hereafter. On a daily basis, the law we live affects our quality of life, including the earthly consequences we deal with in mortality; the nature of our relationships; and our ability to heal from what has injured us, to forgive others, and to find peace.

Wherever we are, we can move forward

Change, to be real and lasting, must be consistent over time

For our progress to be authentic and lasting, it must be built on the foundation of a terrestrial life.

Tolerating telestial behavior is not Charity

God has almost infinite patience with our terrestrial imperfections, but a zero tolerance policy concerning sin

One eternal need that may escape the notice of parents is the need for children to learn to master their appetites and harness their natural man to correct principles

Parents should teach celestial law and require terrestrial behavior

We need to acknowledge that some sins are indeed worse than others, and should be addressed with more weight and urgency

We become more like God when we make correct choices without an immediate reward, and sometimes even with a significant cost attached

While it may seem obvious that our secular life activities should be moderated and simplified, we should be aware that even Church service can get out of balance

It is easy to fall into the trap of terrestrial complacency because a terrestrial life is a good life

The purpose of the gospel is…to make bad men good and good men better, and to change human nature

As we take one step at a time, always relying on the arm of Him who is “mighty to save”, even the Lord Jesus Christ, we can realize our potential. We are born for Glory