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Joseph's proposal pleased Pharaoh and all his advisers. He said to them, 'Where can we find anyone else like this one, for he has the Spirit of God in him!' So Pharaoh turned to Joseph and said, 'Since God has divinely revealed this to you, there is no one as wise and full of insight as you. I hereby place you in charge of all my affairs, and all my people will obey your commands. Only I, the king, will be greater than you! Listen to me, Joseph,' Pharaoh continued. 'I am placing you in charge of all of Egypt. Then he removed his signet ring, placed it on Joseph's finger, and had him clothed with fine linen robes! He adorned him with a golden collar around his neck. Pharaoh had him ride in the chariot reserved for the second-in-command and sent runners going before him, crying out, 'Kneel!' In this way, Pharaoh placed Joseph over all the land of Egypt. Pharaoh also said to Joseph, 'I am Pharaoh. No one in all of Egypt will lift a finger without your permission!'

Pharaoh in the text above identified that there is something that is a rare commodity that many do not have; wisdom. Wisdom is the differentiator. Kings are looking for wise people all over the world, they are looking for problem solvers and helpers.

Our God likes to make things manifest or find expression in a form of threes. In the first book of the Bible, the first thing you see is the trinity of trinities.

One of the things we find out in this is the trinity of man. Man is spirit, soul and

body. The spirit, soul and body is part of man. They are not the same with each other, but they all form together making man.

We also find out that we have the trinity of family - father, mother and the children. Then we have the trinity of the Godhead - Father, Son and the Holy Ghost.

We have the trinity of purpose - knowledge, inspiration and implementation. You can never have a purpose that works if you do not know what the purpose is all about, and it cannot be executed if it is not inspiring. However, if the purpose is inspiring and not implemented, then you have a situation where the purpose never finds expression. Additionally, we have the trinity of reality - time, space and matter.

Gen 1: 1 - 2 (TPT)

When God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was completely formless and empty, with nothing but darkness draped over the deep. God's Spirit hovered over the face of the waters.

These are the three realities that governs Earth. Time, in itself, has its own trinity - past, present and future. Similarly, we also have the trinity of matter - solid, liquid and gas.

We discover that water, as an example, can come in these three different expressions of matter, thereby leading to the question, why are some people confused with the issue of God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost when everything on earth points to the reality of trinities?

You only need someone who has not been educated about nature to be confused about the Godhead, and we need theologians who are confused by themselves to confuse you. God sufficiently made available on earth the things that would help us overcome confusions about the Godhead.

In the trinity of space (under matter), we have height, depth and width. There is also what is called the trinity of insights - wisdom, knowledge and understanding.

Proverbs 2: 6 (KJV)

For the LORD giveth wisdom: Out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

This can also be referred to as the trinity of learning. This illustrates that your learning is not complete if all you have is knowledge without understanding. The proper sequence of this trinity is knowledge, understanding and wisdom.

It is important to know that if you want to increase in wisdom, you cannot ignore knowledge and it is dangerous for you to assume that knowledge equals wisdom. To assume because I know and understand is the reason many people are frustrated with what they know. It is the case that many people know things but they do not have understanding

of things.

It is when understanding comes that wisdom begins to find expression, and results begin to show. In the New Testament, as soon as Philip helped the Eunuch to gain understanding of the words he was reading, the eunuch said to Philip next what stops me from being baptized? As you can see, gaining understanding translated into some specific actions.

Most people do not have a knowledge problem but a wisdom problem. For instance, so many know about money but they are still poor, the issue is the inability to apply practicable understanding to the knowledge they have, which is wisdom.

Knowledge is about gathering information, whether spiritual or physical. For spiritual knowledge, what you are gathering is called revelation. It is important to know that the beginning of all things is knowledge.

Hosea 4: 6a (KJV)

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge:

2 Peter 1: 2 (KJV)

Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

Psalms 82: 5 (KJV)

They know not, neither will they understand; They walk on in darkness: All the foundations of the earth are out of course.

Knowledge in itself has three major things it stands on - data, logic and meaning. Data is everything you gather by researching. That you just read or gather the data does not mean you are a knowledgeable person, that is why it needs to move into the realm of logic. Logic is the correlation of the data gathered together, hence, giving a meaning.

For instance, we may want to ask, is it possible for one to lose no battle in life? Yes, how? That was why David's story in the Bible was written for our learning - that by studying the principles of David we might find comfort. What did David do to succeed? Whenever there is a war to fight, he did not go even if he had the might, but he inquired first from the Lord.

1 Samuel 30: 8 (KJV)

And David enquired at the LORD, saying, Shall I pursue after this troop? shall I

overtake them? And he answered him, Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake them, and without fail recover all.

Most of our failures have come from battles we engaged in without seeking God's face. As believers, our data is the Bible, we make findings and references from the Bible and correlate them with our present life issues.