

The following is an excerpt from the soon to be published Volume 5 of The Eagle Soars – Chapter 7 of the Book of John.

In Chapter 7 verse 17 of the Book of John it states, “Any man who chooses to do His will will know My own.” That statement is a truth that Christ lays down for us. Only the man that does the will of God can truly understand Christ’s teachings. This is not a theological but a universal truth. We learn by doing. An example would be if you decide to open a super market. You have no experience. You can read all of the books on how to operate one, how to do your purchasing and how to hire people, but it is quite a bit different when you actually do them. There are many things that transpire that are not in the books. Because they are not in those books and you don’t have the experience you are not aware of certain thing. Consequently, you don’t the knowledge of how to handle some of them. You are not really an authority since everything that you learned came from books. Therefore, you really don’t know how to run a large supermarket. Once you get into the business, what you read plus your experiences, you can then learn how to go into something even bigger. You can then perhaps, open a chain of super markets. The same with a mechanic. A mechanic can read all of the “how fix it books” in the world, but that doesn’t make him a mechanic. The actual practicing and actual working on cars, makes that man a mechanic.

It is that same with being a Christian. We cannot wait until we fully understand Christianity before we start or else, we will never start at all. You can’t be an authority on Christianity unless you start, regardless of how many books you read. We begin by doing God’s Will according to how we understand it. As we begin to work on God’s Will then as we push on, His Will becomes clearer to us. We must also read about God’s Will. We can’t just say, “I am going to be a Christian,” and start doing everything that you think a Christian should do. You have to have some idea of what being a Christian means, but you can not wait until you have devoured every book on Christianity to move because that won’t give you the experience necessary. We gain a greater understanding and in-depth awareness as we learn by doing. If we actually start today to try to live a Christian life, as each day goes by, we will understand the meaning of a Christian life more and more. Each day that goes by becomes a greater teacher to us. So, as in all things, we learn Christianity by doing.