



Day 71 - Working with God - Part 3

Monday, February 3, 2020

"...for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose."
(Philippians 2:13)

Have you heard of George Washington Carver? He was born into slavery in 1864 and could not go to school in Missouri as a youth because of his African ethnicity. He was taught to read by the slave owner's wife, but he had an inner drive to continue learning. As a child, observing plants and the natural environment fascinated him. So, he left to attend school for blacks 10 miles away and later had to attend a number of schools before earning his high school diploma. Though rejected by a college due to his race, he went on to excel in botanical drawings at an art school. Eventually he would become the first black student at Iowa State Agricultural College and would pursue more advanced degrees. His career culminated with becoming an esteemed faculty member and researcher at the Tuskegee Institute (now Tuskegee University) and a renowned inventor of over 100 products using peanuts. His knowledge of agriculture was vital in helping stabilize the economic effects of the boll weevil beetle infestation on slave crops. What a remarkable achievement! What is it that drives people like George Washington Carver to persevere through so much adversity? Philippians 2:13 tells us, "for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose." God had a purpose for Mr. Carver's life and, George Washington Carver was determined to water and nurture the seed God placed within Him. God has called you to greatness also. Let this encourage you today on your journey to fulfill your destiny.

Prayer: "Lord, thank you for making me unique and placing a unique calling upon my life. Help me to develop the natural interests and skills that you have given me to achieve personal greatness and fulfil your good purpose. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

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Pray for God's continued guidance, protection, provision and success for Cliffard Whitby (Macon-Bibb County 2020 mayoral candidate) and the Whitby2020 campaign team and supporters.

Pray that God would increase this movement and energize others to co-labor with us for positive change.

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