“THE DAILY LESSON”
is an activity of the study group found at: www.iwso.org
The subject for our current study is the entire book
“The Thunder of Silence”
By Joel S Goldsmith

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or from his books or writings.
It appears here and in email format each day,
together with the addition of corroborating scripture
and inspired comments by the Practitioner and Teacher ~Al Denninger,
to take into meditation and live with throughout your day.

Students note: There are words that are capitalized throughout this work.
These words are used as if they are a synonym for, or as an activity of God.
The portions that are italicized are spontaneous meditations.

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“CHAPTER XIX
THE STILL SMALL VOICE

The world has come to a place where it must go beyond power and beyond mind. Is there such a place? Is there a place where physical might and human thought are not power, and where safety, security, and peace are assured?

In a moment of futility and frustration, when every reliance has been forsaken, the answer comes as the voice of God utters Itself, a Voice not in the blustering whirlwinds, nor in the awesome rumblings of the volcano, but a Voice so still that only in the Silence can it be heard, and there It thunders. When we hear that Voice, we need not concern ourselves 'about protection against bombs; we need not concern ourselves with depressions or recessions. One thing alone then concerns us: the ability to be still and let God manifest and express Himself as the still small Voice within us.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Prov 3:5,6 (KJV)
5 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

I know that if I cannot trust God, I cannot continue onward…

“Father, I can of mine own self do nothing… I let my efforts and desires fade away… I surrender…. I place my-self in your hands and rest in Your Peace that passeth understanding… Speak Lord, thy servant heareth… … …” ~al.within
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“Today, world conditions make our personal problems seem infinitesimal, but whether we are thinking in terms of individual, national, or international problems, basically there is only one problem—material and mental power as against My Spirit.

There is only one enemy—the universal belief that material and mental force can control this world. The enemies confronting us today are not a threatened epidemic of disease, not a devastating condition of weather or climate, not impending economic disaster, nor destructive war: All these are but part and parcel of the belief in material and mental powers.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Matt 6:31,33 (KJV)
31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

“The universal belief shows up as a sense or thought of separation from God – or we can be somehow persuaded into thinking that we are not within the scope of the Kingdom of God. The key is that God is Omnipresent, and we are IN-cluded, period. There is nothing to add, we need only to Realize Inclusion.” ~Al Denninger
“But are material and mental powers, power, or is the still small Voice the only power? The answer is that there is no power in the visible world, and anything that exists in our mind as an objective thing is not power. Let us never fear an image in our mind whether that image is a person, a disease, or even a bomb. That still small Voice in the midst of us is mightier than all of these, and if we can become so silent that that Voice can utter Itself—even if only as a deep breath or a sense of peace or warmth—this earth will be filled with the voice of God and the belief in two powers will be silenced.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Ps 46:10 (to :) (KJV)
10 Be still, and know that I am God:

“Hath not thy heart within thee burned
At evening's calm and holy hour,
As if its inmost depths discerned
The presence of a loftier power?

It was the voice of God that spake
In silence to thy silent heart,
And bade each worthier thought awake,
And every dream of earth depart.

O voice of God, forever near,
In low, sweet accents whispering peace,
Make us Thy harmonies to hear
Whose heavenly echoes never cease.” ~ Jeremiah Clark

(Jeremiah Clark, was one of the Children of the Chapel Royal, and in 1693, succeeded Dr. John Blow as Almoner, and Master of the Choristers, to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, London: He was also Organist and Vicar-Choral of the said Church. On July the 7th, 1700, he was appointed a Gentleman Extraordinary of the Chapel Royal, and on May the 25th, 1704, he was admitted as Joint-Organist of the said Chapel, together with William Croft.--- He died in 1707.)

“Our Practice for today: To become so silent that that Still Small Voice can utter Itself…” ~Al Denninger
“When we struggle and battle with the enemy, whether that enemy is physical and external or mental and internal, we do not win any victories. The real victories are won when we use no power and do not fight our opposition, but rest in the knowledge that all opposition destroys itself.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Ex 14:10-13 (KJV)
10 And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto the Lord.
11 And they said unto Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt?
12 Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.
13 And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will shew to you to-day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to-day, ye shall see them again no more for ever.

“In this scene, the Israelites are between a rock and a hard place. They have the Red Sea on one side and no way to cross it, and the Pharaoh’s army bearing down on them on the other side. They were so worked up with fear and doubt that they were willing to re-enslave themselves and their children forever, rather than die at the hands of the Pharaoh or in the unknown wilderness. How could they be still? The scene appeared hopeless to human thought and reasoning. Can you imagine getting hundreds of scared people to stand still and not lift a finger to survive? Moses was Enlightened by God to still the fear and Lift his people to trust and follow… As the story goes, they saw their fears and doubts dissolve and the distraction from Truth was seen, no more, forever.

If you want your fear and doubt destroyed, you have personalized whatever it is [given it power], and you will fall into the same trap as Moses’ people again and again… You know what to do. Now do it.

If you can’t or don’t know how, lean not unto any understanding on earth, lean on My Peace for a little while, until you can…” ~Al Denninger
The battle is not yours... stand ye still, and see the salvation of the Lord.’ This standing still is not only a refraining from physical and mental power, but from spiritual power as well—a complete relaxing in an ocean of peace. I do not know the process and neither can you, but we can and will witness the fruitage of that stillness and quietness because in the Silence a miracle takes place: The enemy destroys itself and disappears out of our experience—evaporates and dissolves—whether that enemy is a fever, a person, or a nation. We need not fight or struggle with it or with him: We need only be still. We are aligned with a power that is not a power; we are achieving victory without force. We do not even use spiritual force, but our stillness permits spiritual force to use us. Ours is a refraining from power in a Silence which thunders, ‘I am God; therefore, you be still and rest, for I will be with you unto the end of the world. You rest, relax, and be silent.’” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Ps 23:1-6 (KJV)
1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.
4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

“With this assurance, is there anything we need to do but rest beside The Still Waters?”

Thank you Father. Loving You, all the days of my Life…” ~al.within
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“When we have rested, when we have become still, and when we have permitted the Spirit to permeate mind and body, a Something greater than ourselves goes before us and prepares the way for us: The enmity and opposition dissolve, and we stand within ourselves and marvel, ‘A mighty work.’ In a complete Silence, with no attempt to use God, use Truth, or use a power over anybody or for anybody, something takes place within us that dissolves the problems of life and makes the way one of joy and fulfillment.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Luke 3:4-6 (KJV)
4 As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth;
6 And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

“So how do we prepare the Way of the Lord? Be still, trust God and rest with an attentive attitude. Watch and pray… and see His Good, His abundance and His Will being done, in earth as it is in Heaven.” ~Al Denninger
“The only effective and potent weapon against the powers that would destroy, the world both physically and mentally is the Silence which comes of the conviction that there is a Something that created this universe and is responsible for maintaining it unto eternity—it is the ability to relax in Silence and let that Something perform Its function.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Gen 1:1,31 (to .) (KJV)
1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good.

Isa 26:3
3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

“I trust You Father. I surrender… … …Thy Will be done…” ~al.within
"In that Silence we find Allness. In that quietness and confidence, we find our strength and peace. That is our Sabbath, the complete and perfect universe of the first chapter of Genesis in which we rest from all power, living by the I-say-unto-you way of the Sermon on the Mount. Then we become like ‘unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon the house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.’” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Isa 30:15 (to :) (KJV)
15 For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength:

Ps 127:1 (to :) (KJV)
1 Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it:

“The foundation of our structure of Truth and Love starts in quietness and confidence and from there the Lord Builds the House.” ~Al Denninger
“As we meet with problems of every nature—conflicts, enemies, hatred, persecution, injustice—we no longer try to reach out to remove them either physically or mentally, but we rest in His word. We rest from all power, and God works the miracle.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

Jer 17:7,8
7 Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is.
8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

“Plant your feet immovable in Holy Ground. Rest there, and grow sturdy in the Son-Light, and watch your branches blossom and bear fruit.” ~Al Denninger
“Rumblings of the thunder of the deep Silence of My peace reverberate and increase in power until eventually they break every barrier. The mighty noise of the Silence grows in volume until its thunder rends asunder the veils of illusion and God stands revealed in all His majesty, glory, and peace.” ~Joel S Goldsmith

II Cor 3:16-18 (to .) (KJV)
16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the veil shall be taken away.
17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.
18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

“When all distractions are dissolved to nothing, all that is left is a Smile. Thank you Father.” ~al.within

This concludes our study of the entire book by Joel S Goldsmith entitled, “The Thunder of Silence”. Thank you Father, for renting the veil in twain from top to bottom and revealing Yourself.