More - Kahu Billy Mitchell, March 17, 2024

More = Progression = Passion = Success Less = Regression = Stagnation = Depression! in the Bible its called 'Luke warm'. We must learn more and more = do more = be more: improvement = every day, slow and steady! It's about your life process! It's about the forward progression in your life! We can never stop seeking and learning and doing in anything! Most of all in your relationship with the Living God, who created you for success! There are things we all must do every day to keep growing in the things that are sacred to us...amen! This sermon is not about yelling or demanding God to give us more of anything! He's given us everything in His only begotten Son, from whom all good things flow for us!!!

The Beattitude says in Matthew 5:6 NKJV Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they shall be filled!" "more and more!"!! This more ilm talking about occurs inside us when we are tired of all the violence, hatred, killing, divisions. Faking it. All the negative and hurtful things in our lives. Now we want God in our lives more and more and more! Listen!!! God is always doing more and more and more for us! When you received Jesus as your Lord and Savior, his fire burnt in you! If it didn't burn in you for more, you are not born again and many things will come and compete with God for your love and eventually God and you will lose! To have Christ's Spirit burn in you is an issue of your heart! Do you really want him to be that fire burning in your life or not? To keep his fire burning in us, we need more and more of Christ in us! We have to help each other fan that flame for more and more Jesus in our lives!! Do your daily disciplines!! Your Bible reading, Prayer, Kuka Kuka with others searching for his peace, Music, Serving, etc. If you are not there yet but that is your desire, don't worry! God hears your heart! Talk to him and He will help you!

"MORE LOVE, MORE POWER, MORE OF YOU IN MY LIFE!"

More Love ... God loves us so much!" I want so much to love him back!!!"

John 3:16-18 NIV ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

<u>Philippians 1:9-11 NIV</u> ^a And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, ¹⁰ so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

More Power... John 11:25-27 NIV ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; ²⁶ and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷ "Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world."

More of You in My Life ... <u>Philippians 4:13 NKJV</u> *I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.* Passion. Story of Gil Duldulao, from Kalihi. (film clip)

My passion at 13 = Champions in football ILH; Paddle the Moloka'i Channel; Surf everyday of my freshman summer. My passion today . . . Serve the Living God!

And I will worship You with all of my heart I will worship You with all of my mind I will worship You with all of my strength for you are my lord! Amene.