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THE SEAT OF POWER

By Bishop Kenneth Sims

God is not trying to grow super stars or celebrities. He's seeking men and women who are broken - those who seek to glorify his son in all that they do. Jesus made of himself no reputation. When people tried to make him King, he rejected the very idea. **Humility is the seat of power.** **Philippians 2:7** says, *But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men.*

The First Letter in 'PRIDE' is I.

Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you UP. James 4:10



The downfall of many church leaders today is pride. When pride takes hold of an individual that person becomes less dependent on God. The church of Laodicea, in the book of Revelation, made one huge mistake. **Revelation 3:17** declares, *Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.* They believed in themselves. No longer did they look to God. Their trust was in each other and their accomplishments. To put it in modern terms, they were ecstatic about their buildings, their numbers, and their programs. They were able to afford to bring in preachers of notoriety. They were able to impress with a three hundred member choir, etcetera.

When you have money, you can build anything and call it God inspired. Something is wrong in meetings when a soul very seldom gets saved, and people come and go without their lives being changed. Political correctness as infiltrated the body of Christ and there is no conviction. People live only for pleasure.

The primary emphasis of the church is evangelism, but only a handful of believers participate in it. There is a tremendous need for prayer and intercession today. We've got to pray until we are transformed inside out. The effectual prayer of a righteous man or woman moves the hand of God. It shakes and disturbs the heavens.

When Peter was in jail, the church prayed. God answered and he was escorted to freedom by an angel. Due to a lack of power on many of our lives, the

church has been devastated by the devil. We must become violent. Rise up and take by force what is rightfully ours. **Matthew 11:12**. But before this can happen, we must draw near to God with repentant hearts.

Satan, himself must recognize us the very same way he recognized Jesus. **Acts 19:15**, *And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?*

There is No Room for Competition.

The church must return to its first love and do the first works. There is no room for competition. The Kingdom of God has only one King. His name is Jesus. Jesus' disciples wanted to know who would be top dog in the Kingdom. He responded by saying, ***"The first shall be last and the last shall be first. He that is the greatest shall be servant of all."***

Too often, we're so busy trying to be like someone else and duplicating others' ministry and callings that we never reach our own potential in Christ. Power can only be found in God when our ways please him. Satan trembles when our lives reflect the image of Christ. I never argue with the devil. I simply speak the word and utilize the name of Jesus.

Be determined today that you are going to die to self. Live a life that pleases God. Don't look back. Press toward the mark of the high call of God in Christ Jesus. **Philippians 3:13**, *Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.*

You Don't Have to Cross an Ocean, Just Cross the Street

Remember! None of what we do is about us. It's about our heavenly Father. **St. John 4:34**, *Jesus saith unto them, "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work."*

We are movers and shakers. Be not drunk with wine, but be ye filled with the Holy Ghost and power.

This is a great time to be alive. The Lord is coming soon. The signs are all

around us. Go tell someone about Jesus and his saving grace. **You don't have to cross an ocean - just cross the street.**

Go Ye! It's Not a Suggestion

By Sis. Patrick Sims

Witnessing is not a suggestion from the Lord, it is a **COMMANDMENT**.

MARK 16:15 *And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.*

16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

20 And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

There is no specific formula for sharing the gospel. When you open your mouth, (in the self same hour) the Lord will fill your spirit with what he wants that person to know. That is, provided you have already filled your spirit constantly with God's word.

A scripture frequently used in leading a person to Jesus is found in **Romans 10:9** *That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.*

We have taken teams out into neighborhoods and **CHURCHED**. We had singing and preaching and have seen many come to the Lord. We have gone out door-to-door and shared Jesus. We have gone overseas. We have gone to the enemy's camp (in front of strip clubs, pornographic bookstores, etc. We have had block parties in low income communities. Whatever method you are led to use, just **share Jesus with the world**. He is a gift. He wants to be given away. He doesn't want to be a well kept secret. Don't put him in a box.

Happiness is Based On Happenings

Listen to the cues that the Holy Ghost will give you during conversations with others. Oftentimes, they will open themselves up for ministry without even knowing it. They might ask you, “Why are you always smiling?” That’s opportunity knocking. I was told that it was not possible for me to be that happy. Happiness is based on happenings. Joy is spiritual. The joy of the Lord is my strength. Therefore, I can rejoice in the midst of trials or tribulations. Maybe they will say, “I’m having the worse day of my life. Everything is going wrong.” Opportunity is knocking. *Ephesians 5:16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Colossians 4:5 Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.* Don’t let one moment pass you by. Allow for Holy Ghost interruptions in your schedule. Our lives are so busy. However, if we are too busy to share Jesus, it behooves us to slow down.

A DAVID AND GOLIATH MOMENT

One Friday night, I was ministering to a beautiful blond prostitute on the lower section of the strip in Lawton. The strip was a six-block section of night clubs, strip joints, pornographic stores and the like. Suddenly, we heard a commotion up the steps south of us. Everybody started clearing the sidewalk – running, ducking and hiding. I saw a man run behind a car to hide from a gigantic Indian (approximately 6’7” tall and 300 pounds). I had never seen him before. He was



pushing and slinging people off the sidewalk and we were standing directly in his path.

I don’t know what happened to the young lady that I was witnessing to. A righteous indignation rose up in me and I said to myself, I am not moving and he’s not slinging me off the sidewalk either. When Chief came up to me, he looked down on me in amazement. He could not believe that I had the **AUDACITY** to stand up to him when everybody else was afraid. I witnessed to him and he left. Two weeks later he came

to our church, walked to the altar, got on his knees and cried. He did not get saved that night when I ministered Jesus to him on the strip, but he was saved before he came to our church. He wanted us to pray for him to get his family back. **GLORY!!!** I planted a seed. Someone else watered it. God gave the increase. It was a witness to him and all of the way-standers. I would say bystanders but they were not by us. :-)) All had scattered. They observed from afar.

On His Way to Commit Suicide

Initially, we are all a bit apprehensive about sharing Jesus with a perfect stranger. Practice makes us all better. It will become more natural. It should be natural. God will add his super to your natural. You never know how you will help a person. Once I witnessed to a young man in front of strip clubs. I kept it very basic and simply told him that Jesus loved him and that I did too. After sharing more words with him, he told me how much it meant to him – for he was on his way to commit suicide. That brief interruption changed his life forever and undoubtedly made an indelible mark on my own. I thank God that I obeyed. His blood will not be on my hands.

Just remember, we are not responsible for the outcome. Some will receive. Some will not. **ACTS 28:23** *And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening.*
24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.

Like it or not, I am my brothers' keeper. However, I am only responsible to you and not for you. We are only responsible to the word – not responsible for that person or the decision that he or she makes. Draw comfort from what the Bible says in **Isaiah 55:11** *So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.*

Be forewarned that the enemy will come against you with a greater vengeance when you spread the gospel, because you are coming against his dark kingdom. He takes offense to it.

ACTS 5:17 *But the high priest rose up and all who were his supporters, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and being filled with **jealousy and indignation and rage,***

18 They seized and arrested the apostles (special messengers) and put them in the public jail.

*19 But during the night **an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and, leading them out, said, Go, stand and SPEAK in the temple to the people all the words of this life.***

This life = John 3:16 *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

We are not all called to be EVANGELISTS in the five-fold ministry (pulpit ministry), but we are all called to **EVANGELISM - MILITANT ZEAL to spread the gospel of the Kingdom of God.** NO ASSEMBLY REQUIRED. No pulpit necessary. It can be done one-on-one. No assembly required is my play on words. Often we give little credence to ministering if we are not in a large assembly of people. But then we must ask ourselves what is our true motive? If we have to have an audience, we are missing the mark.

An **EVANGELIST** is a **gift given to the body** of Christ to help perfect the body. I reiterate. All are not called to the office of Evangelist; but every born again believer is called to evangelize – spread the good news of Jesus. Just share the word that you know and your testimony. Don't complicate the simple gospel. And please don't try to explain things that you are lacking understanding of.

ISAIAH 61:1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon Me, **BECAUSE** the LORD has anointed Me

To preach good tidings to the poor;

He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted,

To proclaim liberty to the captives,

And the opening of the prison to

those who are bound;

2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD,

And the day of vengeance of our God;

To comfort all who mourn,

3 To console those who mourn in Zion,

To give them beauty for ashes,
The oil of joy for mourning,
The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness;
That they may be called trees of righteousness,
The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.”

Because – owing to

My husband devoted a chapter in his book to understanding the because of Isaiah 61:1. He gives several definitions, one of which is owing to. I've read the book several times but recently the words owing to seemed to jump off the page at me. WHY? We owe the anointing to the world. If the anointing is on you, it's on you for the purpose of ministry. We owe people Jesus. **PERIOD.** Give him away. Salvation is 'FREE.'

It behooves us to do as the Apostles did and pray **Acts 4:29** And now, **Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word,** By stretching forth thine hand to **heal;** and that **signs and wonders** may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

SIGNS AND WONDERS WILL ONLY FOLLOW IF WE GO

Control your world. Use every means available to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. There are so many possibilities now. **GO, STAND, and SPEAK:** In the marketplace (your job), on the street, prison systems, hospitals, nursing homes, on the internet, books, television, radio and any other legitimate means.

ALWAYS REMEMBER! The greatest sermon preached is not what we say. It's what we live.

Live a godly life filled with the fruit of the Spirit as given to us in **Galatians 5:22** *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.*

LAUGHTER DOES GOOD LIKE A MEDICINE

Proverbs 17:22

*A merry heart doeth good like a **medicine**: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.*

A little boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out of the Bible. He picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed in between the pages. "Mama, look what I found," the boy called out. "What have you got there, dear?" With astonishment in the young boy's voice, he answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"

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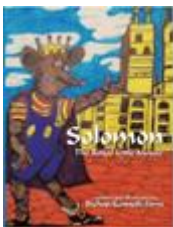


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What about you today? Are you still in the valley of INDECISION? There are only two choices: Jesus or Satan? Well, if you have not decided to follow Jesus, then you have rejected HIM. Satan is YOUR default. John 3:16 states, "*He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.*" You don't like that fact. Change it! You have the right to repent - to change your mind.

Pray God's Word

Father I believe in my heart that Jesus is Lord and I confess with my mouth that you raised Him from the dead for my trespasses and sins. Forgive me, Father for all my sins and cleanse me from all unrighteousness. Thank you now for saving me in Jesus name. Amen! **Romans 10:9&10**

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