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WORSHIP IS SERVICE TO GOD. The presentation of your vocation is your worship. Your vocation is your worth ship.

The point I'm making is everyone of us in the body of Christ; we are called to full-time representation of Christ. How we live our lives determines our representation of the Kingdom of God; the right to rule.

***2 Timothy 1:3-7** 3 I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my forefathers did, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day, 4 greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy, 5 when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also. 6 Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. 7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.*

A pure conscious, sincere faith is of critical importance in the time we are living.

***2 Timothy 1:8-12 (NKJV)** 8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God, 9 who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began, 10 but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, 11 to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. 12 For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.*

I think these are very important to build into our consciousness. I see some pastors switch off from Monday - Saturday. This is a 24/7 all consuming ministry.

Romans 12:1-3 *1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*

3 For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.

God is looking for that, to not be conformed by the world. To be an exact representation in the earth. We must serve Him in the way He has created us. We weren't created to praise but we were created for praise. It should be a reflection of service. Your first fruits, service; you give your offerings, service; it's all a reflection of your worth. God wants to display His good pleasure through us; His manifest wisdom and grace.

I like sports. One of my favorite players is Lionel Messi. Even though he is so small, it's like the ball is magnetically stuck to his feet. He sees things that others cannot see. His magnificence is such a level of extraordinary brilliance. It produces the applause of hundreds of thousands of people all over the world. They just have this unique way of extracting praise, exclamations from us. They do it so spontaneously. That's maybe how God wants us to represent Him. That even all of creation would clap their hands. I think creation is being prepared for this kind of service that is going to happen in the world.

I think the brilliance of God is going to be displayed, not just in the Church. We want to produce the genius of God in our kids. So inventions, innovative restoration can be performed in the earth. When the church gets back to that place, these things will be shown in the earth.

Hebrews 1:1-4 (NKJV) *1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2 has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; 3 who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, 4 having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.*

Angels are not the son of God.

Hebrews 1:5-14 (NKJV) 5 For to which of the angels did He ever say:

“You are My Son, Today I have begotten You”? And again:

“I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son”?

6 But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says:

“Let all the angels of God worship Him.”

7 And of the angels He says:

“Who makes His angels spirits And His ministers a flame of fire.”

8 **But to the Son** He says:

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever;

A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

9 You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness;

Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You

With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”

10 And:

“You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth,

And the heavens are the work of Your hands.

11 They will perish, but You remain;

And they will all grow old like a garment;

12 Like a cloak You will fold them up,

And they will be changed.

But You are the same,

And Your years will not fail.”

13 But to which of the angels has He ever said:

“Sit at My right hand,

Till I make Your enemies Your footstool”?

14 Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will **inherit** salvation?

He gives a more excellent name and that name is called **SONS**. WE ARE SONS and that’s why we inherit everything. A throne, a seat from which we exercise rule. (Refer to scripture above).

Righteousness: the way in which God designed for us to function in this world; it is applied to a heavenly order, a heavenly standard.

What is your salvation? That you are called a son of God. You are brought into the family of your father. **One must know your family line. If you don’t know your family line, you don’t know your ruler.** In Christ, it will bring you to David; brings to Abraham; to Melchizedek and he brings you to timelessness.

David is referred to the king and he is referred to as the route to Christ. We must start tracking our line to understand what our dynasty is in Christ,.

Acts 1:7-8 (NKJV) 7 And He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. 8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

Verse 7 - authority is referring to the authority of the Holy Spirit.

Strong's Concordance

exousia: power to act, authority

Original Word: ἐξουσία, ας, ἡ

Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine

Transliteration: exousia

Phonetic Spelling: (ex-oo-see'-ah)

Short Definition: power, authority, weight

Definition: (a) power, authority, weight, especially: moral authority, influence, (b) in a quasi-personal sense, derived from later Judaism, of a spiritual power, and hence of an earthly power.

HELPS Word-studies

1849 *eksousía* (from **1537** /ek, "out from," which intensifies **1510** /eimí, "to be, being as a right or privilege") – authority, conferred power; delegated empowerment("authorization"), operating in a *designated jurisdiction*.

In the NT, **1849** /*eksousía* ("delegatedpower") refers to the *authority* God gives to His saints – *authorizing them to act to the extent they are guided by faith* (His revealed word).

Has to do with authority which is granted, transferred. It talks about real power. Then you receive **dunamis**.

Don't worry about focusing on anything else. If you are under the Holy Spirit, He'll tell you what family line you come from. You can come from the Spirit of adoption that you can cry out "Abba Father" so then power will flow out of this. The ability, the capacity He has given you. I you belong to a specific position, just think of this.

It's inherent. For example, if you are over a specific body, you know. When we are talking about Hebrews 1, He is calling us to the holy calling of His family. You are not just another son. You are an heir. You have a throne, a sceptre. You have a name higher than the angels. You are part of a lineage.

It is a presiding power. A privileged power. A right. Your very presence is the very manifestation of the Kingdom. Just you being there tells that environment that the Kingdom has come. The key is that it has to be received! It has to be received. If the church doesn't understand the privilege of receiving the Kingdom...Jesus put it like this, "The Kingdom is at hand. The Kingdom is near you."

You must learn how to become active participants in creating things to happen, nothing will happen in the earth; absolutely nothing. The Kingdom will always invite us to receive it. You must exercise the right to function over it. The right to rule is in your grasp,

If you read the book of Hebrews chapter 1-3; this is my opinion, I don't feel the book of Hebrews has fully been decoded. I think we are about to see another seal, another veil being removed. One of the things we will begin to see is the privilege of the son; all the expectations put upon the son; his inheritance, He vests high priest investment into the son; Kingship over the son. He does everything through the son. He speaks through the son.

If God wants to rule, He rules through His son. If you don't function as a son, you can't receive the Kingdom. I'm not talking about the son of man. Jesus had to be a son of man for 30 years before He could become the Son of God. Each one of us should belong to a family and be lone rangers. No, we all need to be in a family. We all need to be mentored, etc. The pre-condition for the new covenant to be fulfilled is when you firstly understand that you are a son of God, and not just a son of man. You come to rest in the knowledge that I am God's son.

For me, it's taken me 46 years of my life to migrate and graduate where I can relatively say that I am son of God. Before then, I could say it theoretically, academically, casually but not with every fibre of my being. But now, I can say, I am of God. It's taken me the last 8-10 years. The more you get to understanding I am a son of God, the more that blood which flowed from Christ becomes infused into your spirit. We can no longer scoff at spiritual fathering. This is not a man given by man but by God! It's given to him who sits on the throne; heirs to that name. The Name must be imputed, infused, injected, imposed until every atom is possessed by the sense that I am a son of God. I am a son.

There's no rest, there's no peace, there's no joy, no deliverance from any labor until you come to the place of knowing in your heart of hearts, your spirit; your soul, your flesh that you are a son of God. For us to take this place, God waited 30 years for the child to become a son. He will wait for you to take up your role as a son.

Secondly, you must know Him as your FATHER. I mean intimately, closely. The word, “Abba” was never a word in the Hebrew language. It is supposed to be a inaudible groan. A child would want to say, “ah, ah, ah” then “ba, ba” it became “abba.” The child is trying to say, everything needed is closed up in that person. That person represents everything that I need, the all encompassing thing that I need. That’s the language of Jesus on the cross.

If we want to see rules come back, it’s not because we are trying to be clever. It will come back when we are clothed in the knowledge that God is my papa. I am scared for the future. I am scared as a man. I already know some of the things that I have to do. It may push me to levels I’ve not been there before. Sometimes you don’t want to go beyond where you’ve been before. The peace is that I am clothed in the knowledge that my Father covers me My Father will not take me where He will not keep me and sustain me.

If we want to talk about the new covenant, Hebrews is about rule but learning how to step into dimensions of the heavens; judgement over all things; the governance of vast tiers of our Father’s estate. I’ve come into complete rest that He is my papa. This is very important to me.

Distinction and high priest mentality is not given to anyone but sons.

Hebrews 5:5-11 (NKJV) *5 So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him:*

“You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.”

6 As He also says in another place: “You are a priest forever

According to the order of Melchizedek”;

7 who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, 8 though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. 9 And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him, 10 called by God as High Priest “according to the order of Melchizedek,” 11 of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.

Hebrews 7:28 (NKJV) *28 For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, appoints the Son who has been perfected forever.*

I don't think we have seen the priestly ministry. How His glory will fill the planet. I don't think the administration of gifts, the deliverance of whole nations, kingdoms, being set free of ancient rule, etc.

I'm not talking about a grand scale. This is coming to a new covenant people. God is raising us to rule over His house. In Christ, He is placing some of us to rule over His house. House, we are. If y

Hebrews 3:5-6 (NKJV) *5 And Moses indeed was faithful in all His house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which would be spoken afterward, 6 but Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.*

Hebrews 2:5-9 (NKJV) *5 For He has not put the world to come, of which we speak, in subjection to angels. 6 But one testified in a certain place, saying:*

“What is man that You are mindful of him,

Or the son of man that You take care of him?

7 You have made him a little lower than the angels;

You have crowned him with glory and honor,

And set him over the works of Your hands.

8 You have put all things in subjection under his feet.” For in that He put **all** in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see **all things put under him.**

9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. 10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. 11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren, 12 saying:

“I will declare Your name to My brethren;

In the midst of the assembly I will sing praise to You.”

13 And again:

“I will put My trust in Him.” And again:

“Here am I and the children whom God has given Me.”

14 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. 16 For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham. 17 Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. 18 For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.

It has to start someplace. The areas where you are in, the places where you set your foot, you must take. We have to. Dark and difficult times are coming to our world. You don't have to look for darkness, it's all around. These are harsh realities. Start taking ownership of your environments.

One of the things of Elijah was that he controlled the environments.

The right to rule comes through a ruler. If we are still immature, the land is in trouble. If we are mature, the land will be healed. God is calling us to the place where we have to put everything under our feet which has been given to us. We have to bring it back to a heavenly place of order.

Psalms 2 (NKJV) The Messiah's Triumph and Kingdom

1 Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the Lord and against His Anointed, saying,

3 “Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us.”

4 He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The Lord shall hold them in derision.

5 Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, And distress them in His deep displeasure:

6 “Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion.”

7 “I will declare the decree:

The Lord has said to Me,

'You are My Son,

Today I have begotten You.

8 Ask of Me, and I will give You

The nations for Your inheritance,

And the ends of the earth for Your possession.

9 You shall break them with a rod of iron;

You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.' ”

10 Now therefore, be wise, O kings;

Be instructed, you judges of the earth.

11 Serve the Lord with fear,

And rejoice with trembling.

12 Kiss the Son, lest He be angry,

And you perish in the way,

When His wrath is kindled but a little.

Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.

You can't call yourself into sonship, only GOD can do that. Unless He makes the statement over us, whatever we make over ourselves, He didn't make. Unless we get this thing conferred upon us. I know we are stepping into this. There is a corporate maturity. God is going to release a declaration upon us, "This is my son in whom I am well please. Now you ask of me...."

Cancel your prayer meetings if the people have not stepped into maturity as sons.