



OVERVIEW

- ❖ You have a signature message—something unique to you, your expression, and your revelation.
- ❖ You have a special sphere of divine favor within the seven mountains. You might not see it until you show up.
- ❖ When the church separated itself from culture, the enemy got in deep and started ruling through a generation of elites who are competent, but spiritually impotent in bringing their sphere under submission to the kingdom. Worldly wise but spiritually anemic, the “strong man” is ruling over them and they are now playing their game—in his house.

INFLUENCE IN YOUR SPHERE IS THE KEY

As God gives you ideas, you will begin to take over enemy operated territory

- ❖ Establishing the Gates of the Lord:
 - You are an invading force in other mountains. First you establish God’s presence, then you mobilize the right people in the right context, allowing you to rule in the midst of your enemies.

- ❖ Mobilizing the Next Generation:
 - Your redemptive gifts may be hidden beneath the ruins of an ungodly situation. This is true for individuals, families, cities, and nations.
 - The areas where you have been most attacked—in your family—in these areas there is an anointing, a calling, and a redemptive gift. (I.E. Joseph, was rejected and betrayed, then by drawing closer to the Lord, he was promoted, then able to help unify, protect, and provide for the very people who rejected and betrayed him.) As it was with Joseph, so shall it be with you.

- ❖ The Freedom of Your Calling:
 - Working out the expression of your calling and identity can happen in a variety of contradictory circumstances.
 - You are a unique expression of the Godhead, and as such you carry a signature presence. Its effect on the environment is stronger when you are filled with God’s Spirit.
 - The opposite is also true—people can be filled with other spirits and their presence can wear you down, intimidate and inhibit, or provoke you to unwise acts. Make a decision to monitor your “state” and take note of how others affect you. Never surrender your internal freedom to an external influence. If you are not stronger than the one influencing you, it would be wise to leave their presence and engage when you are better advantaged.

PROXIMITY IS POWER

- ❖ Close proximity increases your attentiveness, and allows you to grasp a situation. As an example, my visit to Ground Zero opened me up to new awareness I could not have had at a distance.

- ❖ Sometimes you may have to go to the geographical place God’s calling you to go before the other pieces will fall into place.

- ❖ God is calling us from the church mountain to the marketplace of commerce and ideas. In a new sense we are being called to “go into all the world” to take a stand as shepherds of spheres. We are to be like ‘David’s’ who steward their sphere under the authority of Christ—as though it was their own. The ‘talents’ were in the possession of the stewards to whom they were assigned. Though the money belonged to their Master, its management and profitability was directly related to their management. The ones who treated the money like it was their own, multiplied it. This is a provocative idea, but true. Steward the territory assigned to you as if it were ‘your kingdom.’
- ❖ Even when you don’t know what to do, act like you know what you are doing. You have authority over the territory you have been given. Move forward with integrity of intent and even your mistakes will ultimately prove to serve your interests.

REGARDING POLITICAL CANDIDATES

- ❖ Why would God anoint a Gentile ruler over His people?
 - Consider Cyrus. According to Daniel, God sent an angel to make sure the right heathen got into office.
- ❖ Lincoln was God’s anointed and appointed deliverer for a nation; he wasn’t the favorite candidate by revival standards. In fact he ran against other men who were strong believers. In retrospect, God provided Lincoln. He was the man for the job. The same could be said of Churchill.
- ❖ We tend to pick candidates based on how close they are to our salvation checklist. It’s better to have a man full of wisdom and firmly convinced of Christian principles, than an ardent Christian who lacks comparatively either wisdom or resolve.

JESUS IS THE MODEL

- ❖ Jesus is often first seen as a man who captures our interest and only later do we see Jesus as God the Son ... AFTER we hear the good news or have a

personal encounter. Why therefore do we arrive at the revelation of Jesus as God later, but insist that others start at that point? Let's talk about Jesus the leader of spheres and nations first and share His identity as Savior once His relevancy is established.

- ❖ Notice President Clinton's curious remark at Bill Hybles' church: "Why is Jesus viewed as a Savior, but not seen as a model of leadership?"
- ❖ Consider some principles that will surface if we observe Jesus as the model. Church believers who are being summoned to go to the top of whatever sphere they are in must recognize the aspect of Jesus' leadership that needs to be modeled as a leader in that realm.
- ❖ God gives us images, ideas, pictures, hopes, and impressions. If you are walking with Jesus, those desires are His desires. He's showing you the future; He's giving you a picture that corresponds to a reality that you are going to walk in.

TRANSITION IS GOD'S PLAN

- ❖ Transition is the phase of life and process that is meant to form congruence within you. Transition moves you toward the alignment of your ultimate calling and the unveiling of your ultimate heavenly identity as a man or woman in His image.
- ❖ Transition is a phase where some things are ending. There is a change coming to the way you think and feel—a change in your very identity. This in turn affects the sphere of influence that you are going to impact.
- ❖ Perhaps that the battle you are fighting is not as circumstantial as you think. Perhaps you are having a preliminary encounter with the resistance that comes from the spirit that occupies the house that you are about to dispossess.
- ❖ The "strong man" Jesus confronted was representing the future territory He

was going to plunder after coming out of the transition.

- ❖ You don't win in the arena, you win before you get to the arena. You don't bind the strong man when you show up in his territory, you bind the strong man before you get there.
- ❖ For some, "transition" means that you are engaging spiritual forces that occupy territory you are about to take. At times you will be advancing into a "strong man's house" and hardly realize it. Why the resistance? Because once you overcome, you will be "in the house" dispersing resources.

YOUR SIGNATURE SOUND

- ❖ Your signature sound is a sound unique to you. Nobody else has your sound, but the enemy will always seek to displace the real with a counterfeit—a sheep with a goat, a stalk of wheat with a tare. Even a devout pacifist will have to fight or confront some form of opposition in order to occupy their spiritual inheritance.
- ❖ When you utter what God says in the sphere you are called to, your words have an effect. Your utterance is one of the demonstrations of the unique signature expression of God that is meant to flow through you, and it affects the atmosphere at several levels. It can literally shift a room full of people or key individuals one way or another.
- ❖ The person you are called to impact will feel the impact of who you are.

FAVOR

- ❖ Favor opens the door. Your faith to go through the door puts you in proximity to someone you are called to impact. If you are at the top, then favor has put you in the realm where your decisions are going to have impact. As a rule, you need to speak wisely, but always say what you say from the core of your heavenly identity. Be a Christian at the core, and your authentic self, combined with the anointing that is upon your utterance, and the ideas that you seize upon in that moment will form deep and lasting impressions.

- ❖ You carry an authority in you, within your assigned sphere that will force alignments to happen in people when you start to use that authority in the Spirit. You will access resources and provision hidden within the realm of your assignment ... when you show up the right way.
- ❖ Don't rush your talent. It takes 25 years to make an overnight success!