

KINGDOM VISION

PART 23

The Single-Eyed Believer (cont'd)
VOLUNTEERING AND WORKING
IN YOUR FATHER'S FIELD

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"And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry." (Habakkuk 2:2-3KJV)

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"These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad was with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and Joseph brought unto his father their evil report." (Genesis 37:2 KJV)

"For with thee is the fountain of life: In thy light shall we see light." (Psalm 36:9 KJV)

The only life that's worth living is a vision-guided life. Every day you wake up, there will be a pulling force within that's calling the greatness in you to come forth. Even if you feel like quitting and it seems like there are more mountains in your life to climb, vision is the one thing that keeps your eyes on the end goal. The power of a guided vision cannot be overemphasized; without it, we will be like a goose on a wild chase. A guided vision can only be cultivated, nurtured, pursued, and delivered when we tarry in the Master's field. We have seen many giants in the scriptures and the blueprint that they followed before they became a reference point in history. One of the benefits of staying with Master for appropriate mentoring is that it brings clarity to your purpose and passion in life. As John says,

"This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all." (1 John 1:5)

I love how John the Beloved began the dialogue in this verse; he gave a firsthand account of their encounter with the Master on the field. He said, *"this is the message which we heard of him . . ."* It is essential to pay attention to a witness who was there and not an expert feeding on third-hand information to guide your life. I found the following statement he made fascinating because of a process I will discuss shortly. To explain how powerful this verse is and how much we need to be exposed to this light, let's look at the last point he made first: **"IN HIM THERE IS NO DARKNESS . . ."** Wow! How much joy would you have if someone can guarantee you for the rest of your life that there will be no darkness along your way and you will have clarity of mind and purpose? I am sure you will sign up for such an offer without hesitations—I know I would! Apostle John is telling us that if we stick with the Master in our quest to receive a lifelong purpose, His light will guide us along the way. There will be no confusion about our future because there is no darkness! Wherever darkness is absent, progress is unhindered.

Photosynthesis is a biological process that puts this in perspective—how plants make their food. The first step in this process is the absorption of light; this, again, reaffirms to us that growth and maturity will be hindered in the absence of light. God is light, and there's no darkness in Him! No wonder John would go on to tell us,

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." (1 John 3:2)

This is profound! As long as God's vision for your life is constantly exposed to His light, it will keep evolving, and you will be able to keep up with the phases of its evolution as you tarry in the Master's field. There's no darkness nor the shadow of turning in our God; it is high time we choose to do the business of the vision of our life with Him. Some of us have found it, and some are still figuring it out. To those who have found it, congratulations, and to those who are yet to find it, here's a thought that can spark the fire of its discovery in you: spend more time with the Master! Let me show you a secret from the psalmist which has worked for many saints:

"Thou openest Thine hand, And satisfiest the desire of every living thing." (Psalm 145:16)

God's hand is open to us, but God needs you to have a DESIRE that lines up with His word. I believe this is where most of us are missing it. God only satisfies the people with desire. This proves why some unbelievers are making a majestic impact on this world. They bring potent inventions and solutions to humankind simply because they have a burning desire that drives them to the unknown God. It is my job and yours to introduce them to this unknown God. It is a fact that no one can succeed without the intervention of a higher power, whether you know it or not—a topic for another day. In any case, one fact remains: every good and perfect gift comes from God. The devil doesn't produce anything good, including all the beautiful inventions created by the so-called unbelievers. It is time to have a burning desire so that God can deliver your purpose in grand style to you.

In our previous study on this subject of vision, we were introduced to King Saul; from the life of David and Gideon, the pattern remained the same. God told Moses to build according to the pattern shown to him. If we simply follow this success blueprint, everything will always work out no matter how often the devil attempts to attack or discourage us. We looked at 1 Samuel 9:1-5, and we broke it down effectively. We saw how his life mission began as he worked in his father's field, following the instructions he was given to the letter.

My focus today is on the servant of Saul who journeyed with him. We also need to take note of the part he played. He models for us our need for someone to guide us to the place of destiny even after we must have done our due tarrying in the Master's field. Part of destiny discovery and fulfilment will always involve people; you must identify those key people and keep working with them because, without them, you will remain an ordinary Saul and not the king you are meant to be. Let's look at 1 Samuel 9:6-8,

"And he said unto him, Behold now, there is in this city a man of God, and he is an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go. Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, if we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of God: what have we? And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here at hand the fourth part of a shekel of silver: that will I give to the man of God, to tell us our way."

There are three things to learn here on the journey to your destiny or guided vision. Without this servant, Saul would have given up. What makes a faithful servant is a heart for SERVICE. Look for those qualities around you; when you see people with a heart for service wanting to do life with you, gravitate towards them; they have something to offer. They are not there for what they can get, but they can push you to your place of destiny. Here are three things Saul's servant teaches us about the servants God sends us in our life journey.

1. They guide us towards God and not away from God.

"And he said unto him, Behold now, there is in this city a man of God, and he is an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go." (1 Samuel 9:6 KJV)

They were looking for some asses that Saul already gave up on. Not this man; he wanted to take the matter of the lost asses to God in prayer. Sometimes it is a detour that makes you know a route you might never have taken before; it is a decoy, so follow through with it. So, whenever you have a hiccup, take it to God in prayer. God may start telling you other things you least expected, which might set you on a collision course with destiny. The way to the throne is through the man of God's direction. Saul would never have had the encounter if he didn't follow his servant to see Samuel the Seer.

2. Your seed will birth your future.

"Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, if we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of God: what have we?" (1 Samuel 9:7 KJV)

The man of God didn't ask for anything for them to see him. But this young man knew the protocol and was willing to observe it. I got stuck on this question, "WHAT HAVE WE?" It doesn't matter what you have or don't have; God works with your heart. God is looking for a willing heart (2 Corinthians 8:12). God doesn't need your seed; you need your seed to open up your destiny. I pray that you will not appear before God the next time you go empty-handed. Who knows? This might be what has been blocking your view from seeing what God has for your future.

3. Follow your helper all the way.

"And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here at hand the fourth part of a shekel of silver: that will I give to the man of God, to tell us our way." (1 Samuel 9:8 KJV)

I don't know what this young servant knows—the scripture did not tell us that God spoke to him, and I don't want to assume anything—but something drove him to seek divine direction. I mentioned in our previous study that the search for these asses has gone beyond the scope of the search. Again, notice that your destiny helper will not compete with you; they will support you with everything they have. Imagine Saul, the son of Kish (a great man in his own right), having to take money from his servant! Don't be too proud to recognize the help that will push you to your purpose. Always remember to take everything to God in prayer; you never know what else He will say about your other concerns. Also, take care of the people around you whether you need them or not. Above all, keep in mind that all of this purpose-discovery drama unfolds while being on the father's assignment.

CALL TO ACTION

Are you in the light?
 Have you given your life to Him?
 Do you have any confusion?
 Do you have any desire?
 Do you take everything to God in prayer?
 Are you rich towards God?
 Do you recognize those sent to lift you?
 Are you too proud to receive from people?

PONDER THIS: "SHOW YOURSELF FRIENDLY"

"A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: And there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." (Proverbs 18:24 KJV)

You cannot be hostile to people and expect them to be nice to you. If Saul had been cruel to that servant, he would have encouraged Saul to return home as soon as he mentioned that option. Be kind and Be nice. Shalom.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Father, as I journey onwards in Your guided vision for my life, keep me in the light in the name of Jesus.
2. Father, help me to recognise the servants You have sent to me—and those You are sending me to serve—in the name of Jesus.

PS: Reach out or pray for ten souls to be added to the Kingdom in your area. God bless you as you do so.