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FULFILLING THE PLAN OF GOD

Dear Friends,

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Recently someone asked me about how to fulfill God's plan for his life. Later, as I was praying, the Lord began to speak to me about God's plan, trusting Him and obedience to His instructions. In this letter I am going to share what He said. First are the scriptures He gave at the beginning, followed by the prophetic word He spoke.

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. (Proverbs 3:5-7)

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. (Jeremiah 29:11)

Your Father is not a taskmaster. He will never ask you to do more than you are capable. There is a difference between being tired and being physically exhausted. He will never exhaust you physically beyond your ability to recover; He will never damage your health. He will never send you to a place of defeat; if you suffer defeat, it is because you attempted victory by your own methods instead of your Father's. He will never send you forth to do His will according to your own finances; if you suffer financially while doing His will it is because you have failed to allow Him to direct His provision into your life and ministry.

My Church is far too accustomed to witnessing people serve me according to their own devices and plans. My Church is also far too accustomed to witnessing failure on the part of those who say they are obeying My will. You have seen more mistakes, failure and compromise to success than you have seen victory and genuine success.

My Church honestly does not grasp the literal truth that the plans of your Father can never fail. Again I say, His plans can never fail. He cannot lie and He cannot fail. Believers can fail; but your Father can never fail, and His plans never have provision for failure or defeat.

You can fail to hear from your Father. You can fail to wait on Him for His instructions. You can fail to walk by faith. You can fail to stand against the enemy. You can fail to believe you can do what He says. But He can never fail, and His plans can never fail.

If His plans could fail, it would mean that they were incomplete when He gave them to you. But His plans incorporate the level of spiritual growth to which you have attained, the preparation necessary, what is needed in the natural for

fulfillment, the battles you will face both in the natural and in the spirit, the anointing you will need for fulfillment, the grace you will need for fulfillment and the anointing and grace you will need afterward for a season of rest. There is nothing incomplete in anything He plans; from start to completion, everything is perfect and filled with His glory, anointing, provision and victory.

Stop looking at what others do, calling it the plan they received from your Father. Sometimes they are right, but many times they are wrong. If you study the Word of your Father, you will see that all of His plans result in victory and success. When you hear Believers explain their failures by declaring that their Father changed His mind in the middle of the assignment He gave them, you have just heard the testimony of someone who has missed God. Your Father is not a man that He could lie, neither is He unstable in His ways. His mind is never clouded with confusion. Since He knows the beginning from the end, how could He not develop a plan that will work every time, always resulting in victory and success?

When your Father speaks, it is from the position that what He says is complete; the beginning is established and the end is finished. He sees the finished work before He speaks the revelation of His plan. Nothing He says or does is fragmented or partial, it is always a finished work in His heart.

Your Father sends the Holy Spirit to speak in your heart the Kingdom plans He has for you. You must learn to listen, you must learn to hear, you must learn to receive and you must learn to accept without hesitation that plan. You must learn to wait as long as it takes to receive the fullness of each step of His plan. Do not take action until you understand the kind of action He wants you to take. Most Believers do not know how to wait in His presence.

In the natural, waiting is seen as passive and inactive. But in the Kingdom, waiting is an action word; for as you wait in the spirit, much is happening. As you are in the place of waiting on God, you are being equipped in your spirit for the task before you. Supernatural wisdom is being imparted to your spiritual mind. Your strength is being renewed like the eagle's. A fresh anointing is being ministered to your spirit. God is working in you to will and to do of His good pleasure. Completeness is being ministered to your very being to prepare you to achieve total Kingdom victory on behalf of your Father. Remember: what you do is not as important as how much you obey.

While you are waiting, the Holy Spirit desires to paint the image of the completed work on the canvass of your heart. He wants you to see fulfillment in the way that your Father sees fulfillment. Does My Word not say that My people perish where there is no vision (Proverbs 29:18)? Now you know why so many Christians fail in their pursuit to serve Me: they are sincere and their heart is full of zeal; but they have no vision of the Father's will other than the imaginations of their own mind.

Your Father had within Him the vision of creation as a finished work before He ever spoke in Genesis chapter one. He had within Him the vision of a completed, fully functional human body before He ever declared His intentions

to create man. Again I say, He had within Him the vision of every part of the human body working in perfect harmony to produce perfect health - every organ working in faultless precision - before He ever spoke His will to create man.

If you wait on Him, the Holy Spirit will give to you a similar type of vision of a completed plan. This vision will not always be a literal picture you see in your mind; most of the time it will be in the form of a confident knowing that the work is done in the spirit and the manifestation in the natural is soon to unfold before your natural eyes. This is what your Father calls "hope."

Hope in the Kingdom is different from hope in the natural world. Hope in the natural world is based on circumstances and conditions that can change like the blowing wind. Kingdom hope is based on the unchanging Word of your Father, His infallible nature and the stability of His eternal existence. Hope in the natural world is more of a wish; Kingdom hope is knowing. Kingdom hope lies to rest each night knowing the plan is complete; Kingdom hope rises each morning with the same knowing.

Your Father's plan is also void of all fear and worry. It is filled with His supernatural peace. As you wait on Him and receive His plan, you will also receive the peace that fills that plan. This is because your Father's plan is already complete in Him and He is simply working it through you. There will never be any worry or fear about having enough to complete the job before you.

Just like David laid in store building materials and wealth his son Solomon would need to build the temple, your Father has already laid in store the finances and material things needed to do His will. The fact that you cannot presently see these things in the natural is no indication that they do not exist. Your Father knows where they are and how to get them to you. Your responsibility is to live in the daily trust of Kingdom hope.

Your Father's plan cannot ever be penetrated by Satan. No devil is powerful enough or wise enough to incorporate himself into the Father's plan. Your enemy can only lie in the attempt to get you distracted from the Father's plan, deceived into trusting yourself more than your Father or focused more on circumstances than the infallible Word of your Father. Never forget that your Father's plan cannot fail, for it carries with it His life and His glory. His plan is a living thing when compared to the plans of fallen humanity.

The pattern for seeing your Father's plan come to pass is revealed in scripture. It was out of His plan that He spoke in Genesis chapter one. Man was created to exist in the likeness and image of God. Though man sinned and fell spiritually, the original intent of your Father is still alive today: man is to exist in the image and likeness of God. To exist in His likeness and image is to follow His pattern.

When you were born again, you had restored to you the life of your Father. When you receive His plans imparted to your spirit, you are to speak as He

spoke. Declare His plans into your life. Just as He spoke a universe into existence where there was no universe, you are to speak His plan even though what you presently see is void and without the form of His plan.

Did I not say that out of the abundance of your heart your mouth will speak (Matthew 12:24)? When your Father's plan is abundantly in your heart, you must speak it into the emptiness before you. Many of your fellow Believers will criticize such confession, but whose pattern do you want to follow and trust: the pattern of Christians who do not believe the Word before them; or the pattern of a God who can create a universe?

Do you honestly believe that your Father's plan will be fulfilled without your cooperation? He is your Father in Heaven; you are His chosen vessel on the Earth. Had I not been a willing and cooperative vessel while on the Earth, you would still not have salvation available. The Father's will was Me crucified before the foundation of the world (Revelation 13:8), but I still had to be willing, obedient and cooperative with His plan.

Though you may not understand all these things with your natural mind, the eyes of your understanding can still be enlightened. If you will demand of yourself to be teachable and open to all your Father has for you, you can begin to learn of all I have said and more. It is so very crucial that you take authority over your own emotions and order your life to be a Believer who prays in the Spirit. Such prayer, coupled with an open and teachable heart, will take you to the place of understanding why you need to worship, why you need to meditate, confess, and study My Word, and why fasting is so critical for you.

Praying in the Spirit is without any question the most critical element of your spiritual life when it comes to understanding and fulfilling your Father's plan, It is through praying in the Spirit that the Holy Spirit is able to impart to your spirit the revelation understanding of both Scripture and the plan your Father has for you.

Remember, your Father's plan cannot fail. Therefore, do not fail to apply yourself to the fulfillment of His plan. You are complete in Me. You have inherited all that I have inherited. Everything you need to succeed resides in the heart of your Father and is available to you. You can never fail when you are working His plan. The only thing He sees in your life is victory and success as He shows Himself strong through you to both the world and His Church.

I sincerely hope this prophecy has blessed your life. My prayer is that you will live daily in the power of His life and the anointing of the Holy Spirit, fulfilling all He has called to complete for His Kingdom!

In His Grace,

Jim

PS - A CD of the sermon during which I shared this prophetic word can be ordered on the next page.

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:
THE FIRST-EVER KENYA PRAYER & POWER CONFERENCE!**

I will be ministering in the first-ever Prayer and Power Conference to be held in Kenya! The conference will start Sunday, August 11 and run through Sunday August 18. There will be three services each day (except for the 18th), all of which will be held at the Kakrao School in Migori, Kenya. For more information, please send an email to the host pastor, Ken Oluock, at childrenshope2007@yahoo.com.

BUT THERE'S MORE... When the Prayer and Power Conference has concluded, I will be traveling north to Kisumu, Kenya for services that will be held Monday, August 19 through Wednesday, August 21 at the Disciples of Mercy Family Church (located just past Mamboleo, next to the Kisumu Concrete Quarry). For more information, please contact Pastor Jennie Ochieng at dom@africaonline.co.ke.

Kathy will be going with me and we covet your prayers for this trip. Though we will be stepping outside our comfort zone, we know God is going to move in mighty ways. So again, please join us in praying over this tremendous opportunity to be used of God in accomplishing His Kingdom purposes. If the Lord speaks to you about sending an offering to assist in this trip, that would be such a blessing. In no way do we want to be a financial burden to anyone over there. We know that God is able to make all grace abound toward us; that we, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work (2 Corinthians 9:8).

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