

JULY NEWSLETTER



The School Of The Joshua Ministries

“Living and Become the Word ”

You are the church!! This statement we have heard for so many years but what does this really mean. How do we separate this whole thought of let's go to church to let's be the church. When I was young let's go to church, this was a norm to hear every week when we went to a place that we called church. I don't think this was wrong as it is true that when we are in the company of other believers we fulfill the whole of what church is collectively. As it is written in **1 Peter 2:5-9 KJV**

⁵ Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

⁶ Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

Church has taking on a business proposition of come and see over the years. This is not entirely wrong because we are called to stay faithful to not neglecting the assembly of the brethren and to invite people to church for discipleship purposes. But like the early church we can get comfortable with staying in our Jerusalem never fulfilling the call to go to the upmost part of the world until God shakes things up. There brings a different focus in kingdom business with keeping all activities of ministries within the four walls and our becoming like Jesus takes on a role of being justified by the things that take place in the four walls rather than what we were called to go into all nations. When Jesus said we would receive the Spirit it was all about becoming something new for the purpose of being a witness. This is amazing and exciting to know that to the degree of our hunger to become like Jesus ultimately transfers to being a witness for Jesus. We began to see ourselves become what we desire and live according to the conviction of the word in us. This is the transform life God says we have a right to and display it as a living epistle to be read of all men. *Forasmuch as ye are* manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart (2 Corinthians 3:3).

Intro to Vision Encounter:

Before I share this encounter, I want to express from my heart a few things. I would like to let you know that I only shared this with a few others, which happened to me some years ago. This present reality of an encounter I will like to say is true and God bears witness to this by the Holy Ghost. I know many people say they see things, experience things and had things happen to them in a way that seem weird nor can be explained from a biblical perspective. I say that I have been careful to share this because I don't take it lightly as I can say I can give biblical reference to. I don't credit myself to be anything or something even though I had this encounter. I didn't ask for this encounter nor was I preparing myself for this type of encounter to deem myself high and mighty to say “3 steps to encounter.” I still tread careful, as this is a Holy place for me.

The Vision:

Years ago, one morning while lying in the bed after coming out of many dreams that night, I went into a trance. In this trance standing before me was the Lord Jesus himself. Standing in all white with a purple scarlet cloak across his chest. No words were being exchanged, He stood in front of me, He tears off His right sleeve and hands it to me and immediately I was awakened out of this trance. I was stunned, amazed and in complete awe. I was a little shook up on what I experienced and I held it in my heart for a while before sharing it with the few. The reason I am sharing this with you is because our personal encounter from the time we met the Lord and experiences with Him is one of transference that leads to transformation. Whether we experience Him at the altar, His presence while sitting in a church service, in our bedroom on our bed, in our prayer closet, in our car while driving, in the woods, in a secluded area in a supernatural way all to experience him to the degree to become what we experienced of Him.

As it is written, When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus. (Acts 4:13).

As ordinary men and women of God, it is impossible to be with Jesus and not become transformed and it is all purposed for us to be His witness for Him. When we come out of the fullness of His glory, the Lord orders our steps to give what we received of Him. The purpose of the Father's love was to duplicate what He did with His son. That through His son He gives sons and daughters to be a witness to many so that they will come into salvation. Let us heed these instructions written by Apostle Peter, Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall.” (2 Peter 1:10). Let's make this high calling sure by making the effort of pressing to completion and maturity in our calling (ministries) and election (workout our salvation).

Preparing Our Spirit for Manifestation:



No better way to prepare ourselves except through fasting and praying. We will be going on a 3-day fast to concentrate ourselves for what God has been doing and what He wants to continue to do in us through the remainder of this year. As it is written in Joshua 3:5, Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you.”

This is the schedule for our for next week:

July 7th – 9th, 2021 we will fast from 6:00 am-12:00 pm, 6:00 am-3:00 pm, 6:00 am-6:00 pm.

We will close out our fast on Friday.

This is a NO food fast. Please drink water only. Be of courage and know that you can do all things through Christ that strengthens you to do such a fast (Philippians 4:13).

NOTE If you are taking medication please do the Daniel fast.

In addition to fasting and praying do the following:

- ♦ Read: Read and study your Bible on scripture verses that are in the newsletter.
- ♦ Podcast on fasting or books on fasting if you have them: listen to teachings on fasting and teachings on prayer. Suggested individuals (Dan Mohler, Dr. Myles Munroe, and Derrick Prince).
- ♦ Prayer, Praise and Worship - Separate some time to pray. It is not the fast that makes things move but rather your prayer while being on a fasted that moves heaven. Praise keeps your mind set on Him and worship bring your emotions under subjection to the peace of God that will rule your heart and mind.

As said last month we are going further into Canaan as we carry this ignited revival in us and upon us. That we are now being transformed to become revival and live revival. The reason being is to but sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear. (**1 Peter 3:15**)

Grace and Peace be multiplied to you all,
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