

Carriers of His Glory, Part 1 **We Are The Revival**

Matthew 28:19-20

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Good morning, everyone.

Last week, I have shared how 2012 is a kairos moment in our lives, including the life of Father's House, and how we are to rise and shine. In order to rise & shine, we need to lift up and celebrate His word given to us, by not only believing in it, but also living the very word in our daily activities. The word given to us for 2012 is Isaiah 60:1-2, and it says:

Isaiah 60:1-2

^{60:1} "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. ² See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

As a part of launching us into living the word, rather than merely hoping for its fulfillment once again without doing much, I have given exhortations to participate in expanding the Kingdom of God by becoming salt and light, by living righteously and taking care of the ones in need, according to the various gift God has already given us.

1 Peter 4:10

¹⁰ Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

With that I gave three practical things we need to do in 2012, and to start this message, I would like to review and expound upon them to refresh our memories.

1. The first thing we will do is to minister to God by worshipping Him better.
 - a. We are going to seek His face more, in our House of Prayer meetings and in our homes and everywhere we are.
 - I am very much encouraged as several members already approached Pastor Donna, our Pastor of Intercession, and expressed their desires to participate in the House of Prayers more that before, as well as increasing the number of sessions.
 - b. With that, I would like to charge Pastor Donna to direct at least a part of each House of Prayer sessions to include the following topics.
 - First, we are going to continue to focus on the intimacy with the LORD – We must minister to the LORD first, and hear and do what His agenda is in each session.
 - We are going to repent not only for ourselves, but for those who do not know their need to repent...that is, for those who do not yet know God nor of their sin.

- Repent for the body of Christ, especially for this house.
 - Repent of passivity in believing but not actively living the call.
 - Matthew 28:19-20
 - ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.
 - Repent of our inability to love those who are perishing.
 - Repent of our inability to open our arms to those who are suffering.
- Repent for the people of the world.
 - Repent of sins of the people as if their sins are ours, because in part they are ours – we are a part of this world and we are not much different from them, except for the grace of God that is given to us.
 - In fact, sometime the church as the whole is being ridiculed, because some issues in the body of Christ may be worse than in the world.
 - ✓ We sometimes take the Blood bought freedom to such liberty that we abuse the grace given to us to a point of being ridiculous.
 - Therefore, we must not think we are better than them, nor think we are praying for them because we are different, but truly identify with them in their pain and their issues so that we may truly repent before our God.
- We are going to ask God to heal this land.
 - After having repented, remind God of His promises to heal this land.
 - 2 Chronicles 7:14
 - ¹⁴if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.
- We are going to ask God for His power so that we may live the call; that is, be a revival to those who need a revival.
 - I am going to revisit this topic, but we should not be praying for revival anymore as if God were to give us a revival, then we would somehow change and be ignited to become more effective.
 - The truth is, God has already given us enough to get going. In fact, the members of this house have seen more than enough signs, wonders, and miracles; the members of this house have received more than enough prophetic words to launch them into effective ministry; the members of this house have been anointed more than enough to be sent forth; the members of this house have been gifted more than enough to help others; the members of this house have been appointed and sent out to minister more than sufficiently; and the members of this house have more than ample opportunities to minister.

- Let us not wait for that perfect opportunity, but make that opportunity – with the leading of the Holy Spirit, knowing and believing that He will back us up – and live the call.

Luke 4:18-19

¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

- An example I want to share is about our HIM apostle in the northern India, Leanna Cinquanta, who planted more than 9,000 churches and brought more than 244,000 new believers to Jesus between 2009 and 2011, because she simply believed that God sent her to India and she can do it, because God sent her.
 - ✓ She did not wait for a perfect opportunity, but she just evangelized and when a person received the LORD, she baptized, and when the person was baptized, she trained some to be leaders, and planted a church with them. Now she is an HIM apostle overseeing more than ¼ million people in the region.
 - ✓ And she is, I think, an American sent and she is about 40 years old or younger.

Acts 10:34-35

“I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism ³⁵ but accepts men from every nation who fear him and do what is right.”

2. The second thing we will do is to minister to the people.

- Minister first to yourself so that you may be strong in the LORD.
- Second, minister to your family so that your foundation is strong in the LORD.
- Third, minister to your church family so that your community is strong in the LORD.
- Fourth, minister to the people in need, including the poor and needy.
 - Come and serve our Compassion Ministry as it is forming.
 - We are setting up a “Share Closet” for our members to which our members can donate into it and take things from it as needed.
 - It will be set up in the back of the fellowship hall, utilizing its refrigerator for dairy products and frozen goods and a cabinet for dry goods and canned goods.
 - Our members can bring their overflow of non-perishable food items, frozen food, and dry goods to be stored in the refrigerator and the storage cabinet.
 - In fact, when you go shopping, think about buying an extra food item for the Share Closet to share with other members, and bring it and put it in the closet anonymously.
 - So, any member of this house may during or after the fellowship meal, or by appointment with Louise or Pastors Raul and Carry, can go through the Share Closet to take anything they need.

Matthew 12:15

Many followed him [Jesus], and he healed all their sick.

- Join our Healing Ministry as it is forming to serve our members and others needing healing.
 - We will continue our healing services, and I am so glad that some of our intercessors will be here at least an hour early to intercede for the move of the Holy Spirit and for the service starting next week.
 - ✓ Now, that is living a revival!
 - We would like to start a healing room ministry in which the people can receive soaking healing prayers, and we would like to start an inner healing program, most likely a program called SOZO that started in Bethel Church in Redding, CA.
 - ✓ Whether a healing room ministry is launched first or an inner healing ministry is launched first, our pastors right now are being trained, equipped, and considering how to form the Father's House version of these ministries.
 - ✓ In addition, as a part of either healing room ministry or the inner healing ministry, we will establish a prophetic ministry to encourage and to edify the people.
 - ✓ Therefore, if you are interest in serving in any of these areas, please see Pastors Raul, Carrie or Sheila.
- 3. The third thing we will do is actively seek other churches and ministries to share our beautiful facility.
 - a. We will try to form partnership with other churches and ministries in using our facilities for worship, prayers, services, and meetings.
 - b. In preparation for this, we have just appointed Pastors Raul & Carrie, in addition to their normal pastoral duties, as the pastors in charge of our facilities.
- 4. The fourth thing and not the least important is of course anything the LORD highlights for us to do this year.
 - a. If the LORD shows us what to do, we will do our very best to live it.
 - b. We will not just sit and wait for Him to do everything, but actively participate in expanding the Kingdom of God. We will be His partners!
 - Matthew 11:12
 - ¹²From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it.
 - c. The difference between waiting for a revival so that something will happen and living the revival is that waiting for a revival is like waiting to hear what the LORD desires us to do, but living the revival is once having heard and discerned what the LORD desires us to do, we actively pursue what we can as the Holy Spirit shows us and directs us.
 - Waiting for a revival is waiting for His commission, but once we are anointed and set apart, then we must live the revival, by being the revival wherever we are!

- Therefore, we are the revival!
 - Do you believe that you are the revival?
 - Do you believe that you are appointed and anointed by God to expand His Kingdom?
 - Do you believe that you are sent out to minister to God and to the people?
 - ✓ Then let us shift our mindset from waiting for a revival, that is, waiting for something very special to happen, to living the revival because we are the revival.
 - Something special has already happened!
 - He has anointed you and sent you out!
 - Do you believe it?
 - ✓ Here is a truth: you and I are the revival, to bring a revival to those who are in need of a revival!
 - ✓ So, let us live as the Carriers of His glory!

So, let us be the revival to those in need, because we are the revival!

I was pondering and praying for long time for the theme of the upcoming conference in March, our annual Launch a Revival Conference. In fact, for more than four months, but I was not getting a clear theme for the conference. Then recently I announced the theme of the conference as “Carriers of His Glory.” When I conceived it, I finally had peace and when I announced it to the pastors, everyone was in agreement. Praise the LORD. Yes! It is time that we are to live as the carriers of His glory, manifesting His glory wherever we are, because we are the carriers of His glory.

Then one of our members recently emailed me of her revelation, and I felt the Holy Spirit’s unction on it. She said, as she was reading a book, *“The Supernatural Power of a Transformed Mind”* by Bill Johnson, which we have in the library for anyone to borrow – and I recommend that book highly, it dawned on her that “it is time to quit launching a revival and be the revival!!!... WE ARE THE REVIVAL!” she said. Although I believe she had no idea when she wrote that email to me that God would use her to speak to me, I was so gripped by those words, **“We Are The Revival!”** I immediately emailed all the pastors that I would like to change the name of our annual conference from “Launch A Revival” to “We Are The Revival.” With a full agreement, we are changing the name of our annual conference from “Launch A Revival” to “We Are The Revival” from this year! After seven years of Father’s House, I believe the LORD is telling us that we are to no longer launch a revival, but we are to be a revival. Because it is now His time, our time, we are to believe and know that we are the revival, to bring revival to those in need of a revival! **He will certainly back us up, because He is sending us!**

After that revelation, all the struggle I had with the conference brochures and the website update have been almost instantly solved, and the brochures are finally in printing and the website is updated, except for the mail in registration form which is a copy of the brochure. Thus, it is now possible to register for our “We Are The Revival” conference, with Andre Ashby and Sister Gwen Shaw on line. So visit our website and register early. With these speakers, we may actually sell out this conference.

- By the way, do you know what the acronym for “We Are The Revival” is?
 - It is “WAR!”
- Matthew 11:12
¹² From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it.
- So, let us make a difference by living a revival; by being the revival.
 - Would you turn to the person to the left, and say “I am the revival”
 - Would you turn to the person to the right, and say “I am the carrier of His glory”
 - Would you turn to the person to the left and right, and say “I am making a difference!”

I am very glad that in this *We Are The Revival* conference we have both young and the old generals in the Kingdom. I know Andre is slightly younger than me, so he may not be really young, but he is young, quite young to be recognized as a prophetic voice in the Kingdom, and definitely young compared to Sister Gwen Shaw. He is an upcoming general in the Kingdom and Sister Gwen Shaw is a well established elder, a mother in the body.

- How many of you know that it takes both young and old, for it is never too early and never too late to be a vessel of His glory!

Joel 2:28

²⁸ “...I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions.

- It takes both young and old, ministering together to expand the Kingdom of God; the younger generation building upon what the older generation has established. Unless the older generation can transfer the foundation they had built to the younger generation so that they can build upon it, their fatherhood has failed, their major calling has failed.
- So, may it always be that all of you, and especially all of our children, be able to build upon the foundation we have laid, so that together we may achieve so much more for the LORD.

With that said, I would like to emphasize one of our values in Father’s House is to raise up our children to know that they are honored and to know that they are also appointed by God to be ministers without respect to their age. So, in the past in the children’s ministry, the children have ministered to each other, and in fact they had ministered even to the adults late last year in the main sanctuary. Also, in most Sundays, they follow the teachings from the main service a week before, so that they are in spiritual alignment with the adults. Even today, they were taught that they are to serve others with whatever gift they have, based on my last Sunday’s sermon.

1 Peter 4:10

¹⁰ Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.

Also, next week, Pastors Raul and Carrie will be talking to them about the Children's Fisherman's Award and Evangelism. I believe the timing is perfect for them, to be alongside of the parents, to be motivated and to be activated for service and ministry to the Lord and to the people.

- How many of you know that your children are anointed by God, and also called to the same Great Commission, and we are to raise them up equipped to know the ways they should go.

Proverb 22:6

⁶Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

Last week, according to what the Holy Spirit prompted me to do, I have honored and set each of you apart to minister unto God and to His people, by appointing and releasing each of you as a minister of Jesus Christ, a minister of the Gospel, to always think about the harvest and about the expansion of the Kingdom of God. Likewise, today, I would like to do the same for our children, so that they would know that they are special and important members of God's Kingdom and of this house. Therefore, I have asked the children to come back to the sanctuary to be anointed, set apart, and be sent out as ministers, to minister to God first and to the people. Along with them, I would like to do the same for those who missed the anointing and sending out service last week, including the children's volunteers.

In so doing, for the children and for the youths, I would like to have the parents bring them up, because it is absolutely important to have your blessings upon them, have your permission, and have everything done in a fitting and orderly manner.

1 Corinthians 14:40

⁴⁰But everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way.

With that, I would like to minister to the children first, so any adults who would like to be anointed and prayed for, please wait till all the children are prayed for. So, if you would like to be anointed with oil with laying-on-of hands, please come up to the front after the benediction.

[Salvation Call, if required]

[Prayer, Benediction, Invitation, and Ministry]