



(Last month, I began a teaching that I will complete in this letter. If you didn't read last month's letter, you can read it on our website.)

In this era of the last days that we're in, it is so important that we are in position to bring our supply to this revival and to receive the supply that this revival will bring to us. We must make sure we are fulfilling the will of God - that we are right where He wants us to be.

Jesus stated in John 4:34, "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work." Jesus called the will of God His "meat." That's what nourished, sustained, and fed His life.

Recently, I was reading a passage that stood out to me that I wanted to share with you. It shows the importance of knowing God's plan and fulfilling it. It gives us instruction, but it also warns us of the dangers of being out of the will of God.

Psalms 106:13-15 (AMP) is referring to the Hebrews that God delivered out of Egypt after 400 years of slavery. The passage tells us, "But they hastily forgot His works; they did not [earnestly] wait for His plans [to develop] regarding them, But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness and tempted and tried to restrain God [with their insistent desires] in the desert. And He gave them their request, but sent leanness into their souls and [thinned their numbers by] disease and death."

Because the Hebrews weren't patient to walk out the plan of God, they formed their own plan and insisted on having their own way. When they did that, they left God's will, became disobedient to God, and got on the devil's territory, so then the enemy could destroy them.

DON'T LET YOUR MIND TAKE THE LEAD

It takes time for the plan of God to come to pass because He's waiting on things to be developed in us. During that time when we are preparing and waiting for the plan of God to come to pass, there will come tests. Luke 21:19 tells us what to do at times like these: "In your patience possess ye your souls." The Amplified translation reads, "By your steadfastness and patient endurance you shall win the true life of your souls (you'll fulfill what you're born for)."

If you don't develop and exercise patience, your mind will try to take the lead when there's a delay. The mind will want to figure out an alternate plan or path. Your mind will want to take charge and take control when there's a delay. Your mind can try to rise up

against God's will if pressure comes to try to make you move. That's why you must renew your mind so that it will agree with your spirit instead of try to lead your spirit.

The passing of time and watching the calendar will try to pressure you into forcing a move. Refuse to veer from God's plan just because pressure tries to come or because time is passing. Don't let any calendar move you out of the will of God.

Until you've quit watching the clock and the calendar, you're not fully in faith. Faith ignores the clock and the calendar. Norvel Hayes stated in our church, "You can't control God with your dumb clock."

"In your patience possess ye your souls." This verse tells you a primary thing that must be in place if you're to move into God's plan for your life - be patient. Don't let impatience leave you with undeveloped insides. Be patient and cooperate with God for that which needs to develop in you and for you. Impatience will rob you of God's best.

Jesus was patient for 30 years as a carpenter, waiting for His three years of ministry. He wasn't born to be a carpenter, but while being a carpenter He was being developed to be the Savior.

When Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist, a voice from heaven spoke and said, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." For 30 years, Jesus had been preparing. He hadn't done one miracle. His preparation pleased God.

Under Jewish law, a man couldn't preach in the synagogue until he was 30 years old, but Jesus didn't try to bypass that law. He just used it as time to develop.

If Jesus needed to be developed, we need to be developed. If you will learn to enjoy the season you're in by getting your affections off of what's ahead, you won't be tripped up by impatience.

PREPARATION TIME IS NEVER LOST TIME

Proverbs 24:27 (AMP) instructs us, "[Put first things first.] Prepare your work outside and get it ready for yourself in the field; and afterward build your house and establish a home."

For the plan of God to come to pass, preparation work always has to be done. Many are just interested in having "the house." They just want to move into the plan God has for them, but there's a divine order to the plan of God being developed in our lives.

There's an order to anything that God is building. If you don't hold to that order, you're going to compromise and start working your own plan, and then the door to the devil will be open.

"[Put first things first.] Prepare your work outside and get it ready for yourself in the field; and afterward build your house and establish a home."

Preparation work always has to be done before you can build and occupy. Prepare your work – AFTERWARD build. If you do not properly prepare, anything you build will fail.

What is that preparation work? It includes renewing the mind with the Word, developing your faith, being a doer of the Word, and developing all the fruits of the spirit (Gal. 5:22 & 23).

Psalms 127:1 warns us, *“Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.”* Notice, the house got built, but the Lord wasn’t in it, so it was vain labor – it won’t last.

Many are focused on and only interested in occupying, but not interested in the preparation that must come first.

Many want to occupy a marriage, a business of their own, a house, a ministry – but if you try to bypass the preparation or shorten that preparation season, anything you force your way into, you will encounter failure.

Brother Hagin would often say, “Preparation time is never lost time.” Being prepared is your safety and your success. Many aren’t patient enough to take the time to prepare or to stay in the place of preparation long enough to be fully prepared, but the plan of God can only be carried out fully when people are prepared for it. The unprepared won’t succeed.

Take any and all steps needed to be prepared. Don’t let zeal for the plan of God lead you to go a direction you’re not prepared for. We aren’t led by zeal, we’re led by the Spirit of God, and the Spirit will only lead you into what you’re prepared for.

So, take all the time and steps necessary to fulfill God’s will, for it’s His will that is the most important thing in life. Fulfilling His will is the highest purpose in your life.



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