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**INTRODUCTION**

Most people God used in the Holy Bible did NOT have their act together.

Many people God uses today do NOT have their act together.

In this podcast teaching we will discuss:

Love languages;

Leadership; and,

The SECRET of engagement.

Warnings for success.

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*“For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.”*

John 13:15

*“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served,  
but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”*

Mark 10:45

**Nothing has the power to break selfishness more than service.**

What IF this were your last night with family or friends? It was Jesus' last night with his followers ... before He would go to the cross and pay for their—and our—sins. Remember He knew:

Judas would betray Him;

Peter would deny Him; and,

The other 10 would bail on Him.

But did He scold them ... or whip them? No! **He washed their feet.** Let's reflect a little bit on the infrastructure of that day. There was NO sewer system in Jerusalem. Cows and animals roamed the streets. Many people threw their own personal sewage out the windows at night (still do in some countries). Human waste and animal feces were covering the streets. What do you imagine the disciples feet smelled—and looked—like???

Yet, Jesus clothed himself around the waste with a towel and **washed their feet.** (Remember ... He knew HOW they were going to fail Him the next day.) It's interesting to note that there is NO archaeological evidence of any leader anywhere—at anytime—washing anyone's feet.

*“So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again,  
He said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you?”*

John 13:12

*“Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands,  
and that He had come from God and was going to God ...”*

John 13:3

Washing feet—in the Biblical sense—is NOT just a sanitary procedure, nor is it a religious observance (although some churches, such as The Brethren, still practice it today). But, you can see from the historical context (no sewer system in Jerusalem at that time) that it was really a **service of sacrifice**. What an example!

I want to expand on our concept of service here to include group service: that is, non-profit corporations and ministry associates: group service to the needy. Already, you may be thinking, “I’m not really ready—at *this time*—to serve in such a radical way.” Or, you may be thinking, “I really want to get involved more with “in depth” service to the needy; however, I don’t think my group of fellow associates is ready.” If so, I will share a tool that may help you.

First of all, **true spirituality is seeing a need and meeting it**. To help you mobilize your group, I recommend the [8-Step Process for Leading Change](#) by Dr. John Kotter. Over four decades, Dr. Kotter observed countless leaders and organizations as they were trying to transform or execute their strategies. He identified and extracted the success factors and combined them into a methodology, the award-winning *8-Step Process for Leading Change*.



You can also download an eBook for *Accelerating Change* on the website above. This may

help you get your group moving as you prayerfully identify needs you want to address in your community, nation or the world. BUT remember ... NO amount of physical drive—*no matter HOW intense OR well meaning*—can bring wholeness, healing or deliverance apart from the resurrection power of Jesus provided by the Holy Spirit.

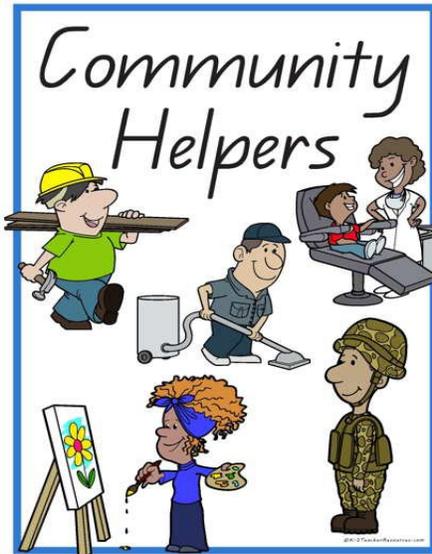
## **THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GOD'S AGENT ON EARTH TO SUPPLY THE RESURRECTION POWER OF JESUS**

**To lead like Jesus you have to serve like Jesus (this includes kneeling down and getting dirty).**

Jesus knew He was sent by God ... **and going back to God** ... but He was willing to get dirty in service. (He didn't even take a "selfie!")

You may be deciding right now that you would like to make a major impact in the world—**YOUR VICTORIOUS NEW BEGINNING**—but you're NOT sure that your followers (or, associates) would like to do so. By the way, you may not have a "group" yet, but after this conference with Prophetess Zaria Banks you will GROW a powerful group of associates in the future: **[People Changing Nations!](#)**

To help you with **change management**, I recommend [Lewin's Change Management Model](#). Kurt Lewin, a physicist as well as a social scientist, explained organizational change using the analogy of changing the shape of a block of ice. The concept of "change management" is a familiar one today. But how **ministries and prophetic triage groups** manage change (and how successful they are at it) varies enormously depending on the nature of the ministry, the change ... and the people involved. And a key part of this depends on how well people within it **understand** the change process. All too often, people go into change blindly, causing much unnecessary turmoil and chaos. Prepare yourself for what is coming and make a plan to manage the transition. **Motivation for change** must be generated before change can occur. **The LORD will use this conference to multiply and amplify your ministry of service!**



### What does a Prophet look like?

Service in LOVE can produce powerful results. Many times we can—if we are *discerning*—**serve through language**. It's interesting to note that unhappiness in marriage often has a simple root cause: we speak different **love languages**, believes Dr. Gary Chapman. While working as a marriage counselor for more than 30 years, he identified **five love languages**:

Words of Affirmation;  
Quality Time;  
Receiving Gifts;  
Acts of Service; and,  
Physical Touch.

### Excuses we use NOT to serve.

I'm unqualified;  
I'm too busy;  
They don't need me; or,  
It's beneath me.

Speaking of the latter item above: **"It's beneath me,"** there's a church I attend when I'm free. We baptized around 2,000 people the first six months of this year. There's a well known surgeon who attends ... and every week he is in the kitchen flipping burgers. There's also a

lady who is well known and very influential (she is a Cabinet member of the President), and every weekend she serves in the nursery taking care of—serving and loving—two year olds. This requires her to fly back and forth from the Washington, D.C. Beltway every weekend.

**Reflect on this. Have you ever had these thoughts?**

I know what I should do.

I don't always want to do it.

I'd like something in return.

**Why I should serve.**

Serving is NOT something you do. It's **WHO** you are!

*“Now there was also a dispute among them,  
as to which of them should be considered the greatest.”*

Luke 22;24

A life lived for **YOU** is a wasted life. (Even if you go to Heaven!)

*“But he who is greatest among you shall be your servant.  
And whoever exalts himself will be humbled,  
and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”*

Matthew 23;11

When you act more like Jesus, you'll experience more of Him.

**YOUR GREATEST CONTRIBUTION IN THIS LIFE  
WILL NOT BE SOMETHING YOU DO ...  
BUT SOMEONE YOU SERVE**

**God is forming a special group for you to lead.**

Has God given you a great victory, even used you to help people tremendously, and then you found that someone ... maybe a Christian leader that was helped ... was jealous of you, hated you?

Our beloved brother John wrote: *“Whoever hates his brother is a murderer; and you know*

*that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.” (1 John 3:15)*

David, the shepherd warrior, found himself in such a position. King Saul became jealous of him after David had slain Goliath to the point where Saul had even become overtaken by a demon power. Saul was hunting David to kill him.

*“David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam; and when his brothers and all his father's house heard of it, they went down there to him. And everyone in DISTRESS, and everyone that was in DEBT, and everyone that was DISCONTENTED gathered themselves to him; and David became a captain over them; and there were with him about 400 men.” (1 Samuel 22:1)*

I call this “God's 3-D Group.” God assembled a group of men together (later, it grew to 600) who had one of the following conditions:

Distress

Debt

Discontent

The dictionary defines “stress” as “a state of mental, emotional, or other strain.” Whereas, “distress” is defined as “extreme anxiety or suffering.” The Hebrew word for “distress” is “matsoq” and means “a narrow place, confinement, disability, or anguish,” and so gives the picture of being “mentally confined, disabled, or experiencing mental anguish.”

### **You can lead people prophetically.**

God brought together a group of people to help David who were either in mental anguish or disability, being harassed for debts, or bitter and irritated ... or any of the above. God used David to help these men **by engaging them in service to others** (for example: protecting Nabal and his livestock; fighting Israel's enemies). And, God used this band of men—a special group—to later help David obtain his rightful place, one for which God had already anointed him, as King of Israel.

**David was a shepherd-warrior.** As a teenager he had to fight a lion and a bear to protect his flock. I have met warriors in nomadic regions where I have ministered in Africa: the Turkana, Samburu, and Masei. I knew a 14 year old who became a warrior by killing a lion with his

spear and knife. **A true shepherd is also a warrior. He or she must protect their flock.** And, **one way to do this is prophetically: by decreeing defeat and confusion into the ranks of the enemy ... by decreeing in the Name of Jesus protection and blessing and success in the lives of your followers.** But ... learn, also, to **decree international BIG THINGS** that will be done through the POWER of the Holy Spirit: **End-Time Spirit Invasions into nations and cultures.**

**Don't worry about your situation today.** God is forming a special “3-D Group” just for you: a special group to rule in His Kingdom. This special group of people will help YOU experience victory and will share with you in possessing the land. This will be a group of people who knows true leadership ... and who realizes that ultimate direction, blessing, and protection come only from God.

They will have experienced these—direction, blessing, and protection—first hand in battle **as you lead them.** They will be driven into close fellowship with you as their leader in hard times ... and they, like you, will never fall for “less than best” again!

**You can serve others by getting them into the land and engaging their enemy.**

Joshua was Moses’ Chief Aide and military leader; he became Israel’s leader after Moses’ death. Joshua led the people across the Jordan and into the promised land.

Seven (7) nations were destroyed in the land. After the conquest of the land by the children of Israel, the land was divided among the tribes of Israel.

There were tremendous MIRACLES in Joshua’s day:

The crossing of Jordan;

The fall of Jericho; and,

The sun standing still.

NOTE: All these miracles had to do with getting God’s people into the land and driving out the enemy! They were involved in God’s plan and purpose! **If you’re involved in God's PLAN and PURPOSE, God will do GREAT MIRACLES for and through you!**

**IF YOUR PLANS FIT INTO GOD'S PLANS  
YOU WILL HAVE GOD'S FAITH**

## **AND GOD'S FAITH ALWAYS WORKS**

Remember: The **KEY** to the **Old Testament**: "A record of a nation designed to bring forth a Man (the Messiah of God)." The **KEY** of the **New Testament** is: "A record of a Man (the Messiah of God) designed to bring forth a nation (the people of God)."

*"For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil."* – I John 3:8

**Your job is the same as Joshua's. To go into new territory and conquer for the Lord; to destroy the works of the devil; and then to divide the land (inheritance) among God's people.**

You might ask, "How do I divide the land among God's people?" Here's your answer, "By teaching them their authority in Christ—WHO they are in Christ and WHAT they have in Christ—by teaching them HOW you conquered, and sharing the blessings you have received, so they will know **HOW to win!**"

**To lead in service, seek God's advice and follow it: exactly!**

Moses led over 3,000,000 people through the wilderness. Multiply the male census (603,550) by 2 (allowing each man a wife) = 1,200,000 and then figure 3 children (minimum) for every family (3 X 600,000 = 1,800,000). Whenever a major problem arose, he prayed and talked to God about it **before he took action.**

**The one time he acted foolishly**—when he did not take God's advice—**cost him earthly blessings.** He became angry so that he "hit" the rock instead of "speaking" to it. Forty years before, God had told him to HIT the rock and water would come out for the people to drink.

However, near the end of the wilderness wanderings, when the people were complaining over thirst again, God told him only to SPEAK to the rock and water would come out. Moses became angry and—even though the fault was with the people he was leading—the Bible says: "he spoke UNADVISEDLY with his lips". (He called them a bunch of rebels.) As a result, Moses was NOT allowed by God to go into the Promised Land. He went to Heaven but missed a great earthly reward. Read Exodus 17:1-7; Numbers 20:1-13; and Psalm 106:32-33.

Make sure YOUR PLAN fits into GOD'S PLAN.

Seek God's advice and follow it: exactly!

Teach people their authority in Christ. (Divide the land among God's people.)

Send your followers out to do NEW works!

**WARNING: If you're not sure, then don't.**

As you move into the arena of service—and particularly **as you start engaging needy people and needy areas with success**—you will become a threat to the enemy. As communities and society witness your help, healing and deliverance of needy sectors, they will focus on your message of love and power through the Lord Jesus. This is when you need to **be on guard concerning decision making**. Do NOT make rash decisions. This is one of the greatest lessons I have learned in life. Stay in the “peace” zone.

When you feel pressured to do something—if you do NOT have peace about it—WAIT! Do NOT go forward. It is better to be in peace—to *stay in the “peace zone”*—than to go ahead ... even if it looks good.

**This can be a trick of the enemy to get you in bondage and mental duress.** Pray about the situation. Do NOT let people—even friends—coerce you or persuade you to take action if you do not have peace about the situation.

I promised God one time that I would never do anything—or take action concerning anything—that I was NOT sure about. If I had a question about the situation, or if I did NOT have peace, I promised God that I would NOT go forward. The reason I made this promise to God was that I got into a very difficult, and emotionally trying, situation **as a result of a speedy ... or rash ... decision.**

Lots of times people are emotionally distressed because of such **uncertain behaviour: going ahead of God!** Nothing can bind you if you will follow your heart and listen to God! And if you need some help with direction, here are some Scriptures for you:

Psalm 27:11

Jeremiah 42:3

I Kings 19:9-12

Isaiah 30:21

My friend, you can't meet every need on earth ... but YOU can meet the ones God instructs you to meet. Stop ... Look ... Listen!

**TRUE SPIRITUALITY IS  
SEEING A NEED AND MEETING IT**

**Baruch haba b'Shem Adonai.**

Your friend,  
Prince Handley

**WELCOME TO  
YOUR VICTORIOUS NEW BEGINNING**

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