



Thy Kingdom Come

A Post-Pandemic Seven-Point Plan

Discerning The Body

Genesis 14:18-20 NKJV

- ¹⁸ Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he *was* the priest of God Most High.
- ¹⁹ And he blessed him and said: “Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth;
²⁰ And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand.” And he gave him a tithe of all.

Discerning The Blood

Genesis 14:21-23 NKJV

- ²¹ Now the king of Sodom said to Abram, “Give me the persons, and take the goods for yourself.”
- ²² But Abram said to the king of Sodom, “I have raised my hand to the LORD, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth,
- ²³ that I *will take* nothing, from a thread to a sandal strap, and that I will not take anything that *is yours*, lest you should say, ‘I have made Abram rich’

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Matthew 6:10 KJV

- ¹⁰ Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Point 7

- Encourage The Servants Of God



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- 1) Recover Your Purpose
- 2) Reconnect With The Word
- 3) Detoxify The Children
- 4) Connect With Your Spiritual Authority
- 5) Walk In Power
- 6) Release of Power To Make Wealth
- 7) Encourage The Servants of God

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Encourage The Servants Of God - Introduction

“For forty years Moses thought he was a **somebody**; the next forty years he discovered he was a **nobody**; and the last forty years he realized that **God could use a nobody.**”

Today’s message is to urge us to recognize the nobodies that God has called to labor in His storehouse.

Storehouse:

- 1) Your place of primary spiritual nourishment
- 2) Ministry committed to the salvation of souls and equipping of saints
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Encourage The Servants Of God – Some Servants

Ephesians 4:11-12 KJV

- ¹¹ And he gave some, **apostles**; and some, **prophets**; and some, **evangelists**; and some, **pastors** and **teachers**;
- ¹² For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Malachi 3:10 NRSV

- ¹⁰ Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, **so that there may be food in my house**, and thus put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.

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Encourage The Servants Of God – Who Bring The Word To You

2 Timothy 3:16-17 VOICE

- ¹⁶ All of Scripture is God-breathed; *in its inspired voice, we hear* **useful teaching, rebuke, correction, instruction, and training** for a life that is right
- ¹⁷ so that God's people may be **up to the task ahead** and have **all they need to accomplish** every good work.

Acts 20:26-27 VOICE

- ²⁶ So I want to make this clear: I am not responsible for your destiny from this point on
- ²⁷ because I have not held back from telling you **the purpose of God in all its dimensions.**

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2 Timothy 4:2-5 WEB

- ² **preach the word**; be urgent in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort with all patience and teaching.
- ³ For the time will come when they **will not listen to the sound doctrine**, but having **itching ears**, will heap up for themselves teachers after their own lusts,
- ⁴ and will **turn away their ears from the truth**, and turn away to fables.
- ⁵ But you be sober in all things, suffer hardship, do the work of an evangelist, and fulfill your ministry.

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1 Corinthians 9:20-22 TPT

- ²⁰ **I became** Jewish to the Jewish people in order to win them *to the Messiah*. **I became** like one under the law to gain the people who were stuck under the law, even though I myself am not under the law.
- ²¹ And to those who are without the Jewish laws, **I became** like them, as one without the Jewish laws, in order to win them, although I'm not outside the law of God but under the law of Christ.
- ²² **I became** “weak” to the weak to win the weak. **I have adapted** to the culture of every place I've gone so that I could more easily win people to Christ.

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Philemon 1-2, 23-24 TPT

- ¹ From Paul, a **prisoner** of the Anointed One, Jesus, and Timothy our brother, to Philemon, our **precious friend** and **companion** in this work.
- ² To the church that meets in his house, along with our **dear sister** Apphia and our **fellow soldier** Archippus.
- ²³ Epaphras, my **fellow prisoner** in the Anointed One, Jesus, sends his greetings of peace to you,
- ²⁴ and so does Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my **companions** in this ministry.

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Why Support God's Servants - **It's An Ordinance**

Deuteronomy 18:1, 4-5 NLT

- ¹“Remember that the Levitical priests—that is, the whole of the tribe of Levi—will receive no allotment of land among the other tribes in Israel. Instead, the priests and Levites will eat from the special gifts given to the LORD, for that is their share.
- ⁴ You must also give to the priests the first share of the grain, the new wine, the olive oil, and the wool at shearing time.
- ⁵ For the LORD your God chose the tribe of Levi out of all your tribes to minister in the LORD's name forever.

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Why Support God's Servants – Honor God & Partner with Them

3 John 5-8 TPT

- ⁵ My beloved friend, *I commend you for your demonstration of faithful love* by all that you have done for the brothers *on their journey*, even though they were strangers at the time.
- ⁶ They have shared publicly with the congregation about the beautiful acts of love you have shown them. Now, if you would be so kind, send them on their way *with a generous gift, in a manner that would honor God.*
- ⁷ You see, it was their passion for *the glory of the name of Christ* that launched them out, and *they've not accepted financial support from unbelievers.*
- ⁸ They are deserving of all the support we can give them, *because through our giving* we can partner with them for the truth.

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Why Support God's Servants - **It's the Honor of Believers**

Acts 16:13-15 NLT

- ¹³ On the Sabbath we went a little way outside the city to a riverbank, where we thought people would be meeting for prayer, and we sat down to speak with some women who had gathered there.
- ¹⁴ One of them was Lydia from Thyatira, a merchant of expensive purple cloth, who worshiped God. As she listened to us, **the Lord opened her heart, and she accepted what Paul was saying.**
- ¹⁵ She and her household were baptized, and she asked us to be her guests. **"If you agree that I am a true believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my home."** And she urged us until we agreed.

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Why Support God's Servants – Receive God & His Reward

Matthew 10:40-42 TPT

- ⁴⁰ “Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the One who sent me.”
- ⁴¹ Whoever receives a prophet because he is God's messenger will share a prophet's reward. And whoever welcomes a righteous person because he follows me will also share in his reward.
- ⁴² And whoever gives a cup of cold water to one of my disciples, I promise you, he will not go unrewarded.”

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2 Kings 4:14-17 NKJV

- ¹⁴ Later Elisha asked Gehazi, “What can we do for her?” Gehazi replied, “She doesn’t have a son, and her husband is an old man.”
- ¹⁵ “Call her back again,” Elisha told him. When the woman returned, Elisha said to her as she stood in the doorway,
- ¹⁶ “Next year at this time you will be holding a son in your arms!” “No, my lord!” she cried. “O man of God, don’t deceive me and get my hopes up like that.”
- ¹⁷ But sure enough, the woman soon became pregnant. And at that time the following year she had a son, just as Elisha had said.

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Responsibility to Financially Support God's Servants

1 Corinthians 9:7-15 TPT

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- ⁷ **Who serves in the military at his own expense?** Who plants a vineyard and does not enjoy the grapes for himself? Who would nurture and shepherd a flock and never get to drink its fresh milk?
- ⁸ Am I merely giving you my own opinions, or does the Torah teach the same things?
- ⁹ For it is written in the law of Moses: **You should never put a muzzle over the mouth of an ox while he is treading out the grain.** Tell me, is God only talking about oxen here?

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1 Corinthians 9:7-15 TPT

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- ¹⁰ Doesn't he also give us this principle so that we won't withhold support from his workers? It was written so that we would understand that the one *spiritually* "plowing" and *spiritually* "treading out the grain" also labors with the expectation of enjoying the harvest.
- ¹¹ So, if we've sowed many spiritual gifts among you, is it too much to expect to reap material gifts from you?
- ¹² And if you have supported others, don't we rightfully deserve this privilege even more? But as you know, we haven't used that right. Instead, we have continued to support ourselves so that we would never be a hindrance to the spread of the gospel of Christ.

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- ¹³ Don't you know that the priests employed in sacred duty in the temple are provided for by temple resources? And the priests who serve at the altar receive a portion of the offerings?
- ¹⁴ In the same way, the Lord has directed those who proclaim the gospel to receive their living by the gospel. As for me, I've preferred to never use any of these rights for myself.
- ¹⁵ And keep in mind that I'm not writing all this because I'm hinting that you should support me.

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Encourage The Servants of God - Conclusion

A servant of God is like a mule carrying **two saddlebags**, one on each side.

One represents the yoke of the Gospel – the calling to bring many to salvation in Christ Jesus, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.

The other is the yoke of earning a decent living and leadership among his or her peers.

Carrying both burdens is a balancing act which only a wise person of genuine integrity and a sound mind can maintain.

This mule, this nobody, who is serving you or serving the storehouse which is your primary source of spiritual nourishment, deserves your support and encouragement.

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