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Text: Job 42:2 - *"I know that You can do everything, And that no purpose of Yours can be withheld from You."* (NKJV)

INTRODUCTION

We serve a God that can do all things and when you come to understand this you will know that His purpose for your life can not be thwarted.

Nothing can stop the plan and purpose of God for your life except you. This is why you must align your life with God daily for you to fulfill the divine purpose of God for your life.

Previously, we had begun to look vividly at how to discover and recognize purpose, and from there we moved to the "*Season of Preparation*". In that teaching, I explained explicitly that if you are not prepared, whatever you discover will be useless.

Every voice of purpose is a voice of urgency but I tell you that you must learn daily to sit back, not rushing to act but undergo training and preparation so you can succeed. Have you ever seen a medical doctor become a professional without going through the school of medicine? It is not possible, as a matter of fact, you would not wish to consult with a doctor who lacked proper training. ***So every Christian who will fulfill purpose after discovery must understand that going through preparation is compulsory.*** Nobody runs away from preparation and makes it in life. Instead running makes it impossible to attain greatness, enter purpose realization, and manifestation. Hence, you can't joke with preparation.

➤ ***"Preparation is key to your fulfillment and the becoming of what has been predestined about you."***

I also explained that "**there is no preparation without a preparer**". There must be somebody that prepares you. Again, a medical doctor is always trained by lecturers in the medical school to become a professional. In the seminary, there are experienced teachers who prepare pastors to function effectively in service. In the same manner, I as a Pastor in church, come to prepare you to fulfill your destiny and to matter in your generation. This is

why no one becomes anything in life without a coach, a mentor, a discipler, or people that will prepare them.

As an individual, a family, and a church, it is important that you are prepared. Have you asked yourself, why the church organizes premarital counseling for people who are set to get married? Premarital counseling is a plan to train couples and prepare them for the journey ahead. Unfortunately, it is sad to see that a lot of people are getting married without preparation because of a lack of patience and pride. Please do not forget this, there must be somebody who prepares you to achieve what you have in mind. *I am praying for you that you will not miss your purpose in life and God will give you the grace to become that which He wants you to be.*

Let's proceed in the Seasons of Life ;

3. The Season of Test (Testing)

The God we serve is a God that never tempts but is a God that tests. No temptation comes from God. There are two sources of temptation: i. Your desires and cravings that are drawn ii. Devil

God never tempts but He can test. When you study the scripture properly, you will discover that God will deliberately take the people of Israel through the long route because of the test He has for them.

Test is part of the instruments God uses to help man fulfill purpose. It is one of the weapons He uses to check what is inside of you so He can prepare you for a greater level.

Genesis 22:1-2

Now it came to pass **after these things that God tested Abraham**, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." Then He said, "Take **now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love**, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." (NKJV)

This scripture was after the birth of Isaac which caused so much celebration and rejoicing in the house of Abraham. Afterward, the Bible records that Abraham was tested after long years of waiting.

"The package of each test is not collective but individualistic."

The kind of test I will experience is different from the one you will experience. This is why in the journey of purpose, there is no competition or comparison. My prayer is that when your own test comes you do not fail.

In the scripture above, Abraham was tested with his son. I tell you that "son" can connote your vision, your ministry, your business, your ambition, or your pursuit in life. A medical doctor can finish his training, complete his housemanship, conclude his service year, and find a very lucrative job enough to make him comfortable in life. Then suddenly, he receives God's calling to the seminary which is to be answered without an iota of delay. If you were in the shoes, would you be able to sacrifice your career?

Abraham had waited a lot of years for Isaac and then God told him to offer him up as a sacrifice knowing how difficult it would be for him to do compared to if Ishmael was the one sacrificed. Notice how God described Isaac in that scripture, "*Isaac, your only son, whom you love?*"

"If you love anything more than God, you are failing the test"

Whatever you love more than God will become a crisis. However, glory to God almighty, Abraham did not fail the test. He uttered this statement with his actions: "*Lord, take my son but don't your presence.*" Abraham

understood that God's presence was enough to bring another Isaac. In your season of test, I pray you don't fail God.

"Before God commits something tangible (treasured) into your life He will test you."

God does not entrust things into people's hands without them going through one certain test or the other.

Jesus was the only son of God, in fact, God in flesh. However, He went through a period of testing for Him to be trusted for the work that He was sent to do. In Matthew, there was a progression that preceded his work of salvation

Matthew 3:17 - *And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."* (NKJV)

Here, Jesus was only approved not fully trusted. But in chapter 17, towards the close of His ministry right before He was set for the cross, God added a statement of trust at the end.

Matthew 17:5 - *While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. **Hear Him!**"* (NKJV)

So if Jesus our master went through tests and passed it, God will come to test you before you handle anything for Him.

There are about 4 tests you must go through if you would fulfill purpose:

A) Test of Integrity

If you have not passed through this test, God can't commit any tangible thing to your life. It does not matter the level of your tongues or anointing, if you are yet to pass this test you can't move forward. **God cannot commit any tangible thing to people who lack integrity.**

Matthew 5:37 - *"But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one."* (NKJV)

If you are double-tongued, you are evil. The day you fear man to the point you are not straightforward, that day you begin to go down. Integrity is a principle of leadership. If you fail to understand it, you will end up nowhere. This is the first test everyone who will achieve their purpose must pass.

Lack of integrity is the only thing that will make you come late for service. When you lack integrity, you can't fulfill your purpose. Several years back as executives in the Baptist Student Fellowship, a brother who was given the post of Transport Secretary came to meet me after he received a revelation about his actions during his tenure. He was the type that would always collect exorbitant amounts of money for motor repair whereas he needed just a little. The consequences of his action hindered him from achieving a milestone till he returned every cent he took.

"If you cannot overcome the test of integrity now, the repercussions will wait for you later."

B) Test of Patience

Hebrews 6:15

"And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise." (NKJV)

It takes patience to obtain the promises. You may miss it in life you are thinking that any promises you have received from God will always happen immediately. Abraham needed to wait patiently for the fulfillment of the promise God made to him about the birth of Isaac.

If you are not ready to be patient, you are not ready to achieve great things. Our present generation is accustomed to a fast life but I tell you when it comes to kingdom fulfillment, prospering, and becoming what God wants you to become, it takes time.

If you miss the process of time in patience, you are not going to arise, or might it be difficult to fulfill destiny. Allow me to counsel you, imbibe the attitude of patience. In fact, God will deliberately work on us so that we cultivate the attitude and habit of patience.

I beg you, learn patience.

David was anointed at the age of 17 but he never got to the palace until age 30. All through those years, he went through several hurdles until the day of fulfillment came. *May your promises come to fulfillment.*

C) Test of faithfulness

Luke 19:17

And he said to him, "Well done, good servant; because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities." (NKJV)

If you seek that great things be committed to your hands, you must learn how to handle the little things just like the servant in the scripture. Can you be faithful in those little things?

God multiplies faithfulness; the Rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. I have taught in this series that God is a judge and also a rewarder. Be faithful.

1 Corinthians 4:2 - *"Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful."* (NKJV)

God will test you with the test of faithfulness

Hebrews 3:5 - *And Moses indeed was faithful in all His house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which would be spoken afterward,* (NKJV)

Whatever you do today will be spoken after you. There is no limit to your level of faithfulness because, after the reward of a level of faithfulness, God commits a higher responsibility into your hands. **So there is no stop to being faithful.**

D) Test of Consecration

2 Corinthians 6:17

Therefore "Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." (NKJV)

Until you are separated from the unclean, God cannot commit greater things into your hands. The test of consecration, holiness, and righteousness is a peculiar one that God will consider before He commits greater things into your hands.

If you do not pass all these four tests, you will continue to struggle with fulfillment in life.

The last season among all these seasons of life is;

4. Season of Appearance. (Season of Commissioning)

When you have gone through the seasons of recognition, preparation, and testing without knowledge of the outside world, there comes a time when people begin to notice you. This begins the hallmark of your season of appearance.

"Everything that has placed you in a corner and hidden, I prophesy may it be lifted. You won't miss your season of appearance."

Every season is important but people see the glory of appearance and never consider the other seasons. They would then wish to jump to the decision of having such glory by all means. But I tell you before you aim for such glory, you must go through all the seasons.

"Everyone that jumps seasons will suffer. There is no appearance without the other seasons."

The last season, which is **the Season of Appearance** always happens **suddenly, without any prior notice**. This is why we have to keep doing what we are doing.

Acts 2:1-2

*"When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And **suddenly** there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting." (NKJV)*

The word "*suddenly*" comes without notice, so if you are not prepared when it comes you will not miss out. My prayer for you is that may you always be prepared when your 'suddenly' comes.

When your Season of Appearance comes, your prayers of years will turn into an answer. The key is just keep doing it, you never know when that "*suddenly*" will arrive at your door.

The Season of Suddenly means that a curtain is being lifted from your life and you are brought into visibility. There is a dimension called *suddenly* that will launch you into the limelight.

When your Season of Appearance comes, nothing can stop it, not even the devil because you have gone through the necessary preparation.

Prayer:

- Lord remove the curtain covering me and bring me into the limelight
- I enter my season of manifestation and appearance.
- I command every delay is over my life