

Kings And Queens

In the Waiting

God does not take shortcuts

1 Samuel 16:1-3

¹The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king.”

²But Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me.”

The LORD said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’” ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate.”

Illustration

- Have you ever seen someone who was in the process of making a horrible decision?
- You are on the outside watching and you can see what’s happening and no matter what you do you can’t stop it.
- It’s like you see the train coming – it’s rolling around the bend.
And I ain’t seen the sunshine since I don’t know when.
- I have this gift of seeing other people’s mistakes.
- Problem is sometimes I can’t see my own.
- It’s like where did that come from? How did that happen?

Illustration

- Wednesday night – Jami sent someone to come get me.
- Luke was in distress.
- Luke – hospital, waiting for his reaction to milk, gave him EpiPen and waited.

Transition

- What can we learn from them?
- What lessons can we take from these kings and queens that will help us?
- You are a king or queen of your kingdom.
- Before God reveals your destiny, he takes you through transition.
- Many times, your desert precedes your destiny.

Illustration

- Before Jesus entered his public ministry the Spirit of God led him to the desert.

Matthew 4:1

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

Application

- Some of you are in a wilderness and it may be that what led you to your wilderness is not God abandoning you but God leading you.
- It may be that God is not punishing you but he is positioning you for what he has next.
- God is looking for servants.
- Be a servant in your kingdom

Integrity before ability

Problems before promotion.

- Face your fears before God launches you into victory.

Illustration

- While we are in the waiting room it can be difficult.
- We make some of our worst decisions while we are in the waiting room.
- The waiting room is the worst.

I. Your destiny is an issue of the heart.

Story of David's anointing

- Elijah went and Jessi brought his oldest son **Eliab** – God said Not him.
- Jessi brought his second oldest son **Abinadab** – God said not him.
- Jessi brought his third oldest son **Shammah** – God said not him.

1 Samuel 16:7

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

A. Keep your focus on what is important.
In the waiting room work on your heart.

1. Integrity
2. Flexibility
3. Teach ability

B. Work on your heart.

1. What is the heart?
2. Your heart is the part of you that is the inner man.
3. Everybody else sees the outside.
4. God sees what is really going on.
5. Everybody else sees the shell.
6. God sees the core of who we are.
7. Everybody else sees the outside.
8. God sees our heart.

Proverbs 4:23

Above all else, guard your heart,
for everything you do flows from it.

Illustration

Application

- Work on the inner man.
- Work on the inside.
- Some of you are in a transition – God says work on your heart.
- Some of you are in a wilderness – God says work on your heart.
- Some of you are in the waiting room – God says work on your heart.
- Let me work on your heart.
- Let me work on your desires.
- Let me work on your passions.
- I want to help you with your potential but first I've got to work on your priorities.
- Let me work on your goals.
- Let me work on your idols
- Let me work on your

II. Your purpose requires God's anointing.

1 Samuel 16:11-13

¹¹ So he asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?"

"There is still the youngest," Jesse answered. "He is tending the sheep."

Samuel said, "Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives."

¹² So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features.

Then the LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; this is the one."

¹³ So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David. Samuel then went to Ramah.

- A. Samuel and David obeyed but God is the one that empowers.
1. Talk about anointing.
 2. The significance of anointing.
 3. Symbol of the Holy Spirit.
 4. The Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David.

Anointed

- Blessing and Purpose

Jesus was the anointed one.

- B. This is what we need.
1. In order to accomplish the plans and purposes of God.
 2. In order to fulfill your destiny we **MUST** have God's Spirit come upon us.
 3. There must be a presence more than just ours at work.
 4. God's Spirit at work.

Isaiah 40

²⁹ He strengthens those who are weak and tired.

³⁰ Even those who are young grow weak;
young people can fall exhausted.

³¹ But those who trust in the LORD for help
will find their strength renewed.

They will rise on wings like eagles;
they will run and not get weary;
they will walk and not grow weak.

Application

- The waiting room is tiring.
- The waiting room can be exhausting.
- The waiting room can be **HARD**.

I don't want to over complicate this today.

Trust in the LORD

- Some of us have been trusting in ourselves.
- Some of us have been trusting in our gifts.

- Some of us have been trusting in our rich uncles money.
- Some of us have been saying with our mouth...
- God I trust you but with our actions we are saying something else.

What does trust in the LORD look like?

- Trust in the LORD looks like...
- Following through with our actions everything we know we are suppose to be doing.

Relationships –

Career –

Money –

Fears –

Entertainment -

Matthew 15:7-9

⁷You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you, for he wrote,

⁸‘These people honor me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me.

⁹Their worship is a farce...

- Sham, joke, illegitimate, fake,

C. How do you grow in authority and anointing?

1. Obedience is foundation.
2. Trust in the LORD.
3. Time spent with God.
4. Study and application of the Word.
5. Service
6. Spiritual Formation

Illustration

Application

- God has an anointing for your life.
- He anoints us for what he creates us for.

III. Public fruit demands quiet growth.

A. After he gets anointed he goes back out into the field dripping with oil.

- B. It is so uneventful that it seems dramatic.
1. Imagine what it was like for him.
 2. Dripping and walking. Walking and dripping.
 3. David had some DRIP.

Question

1. Who saw it?
2. The crowds?
3. The Gram?
4. Snap?
5. Reelz?
6. NO BODY!
7. The sheep saw it and it meant nothing to them.
8. Who saw it - God and David saw it.

“Many times, God hides you so he can grow you.”

- David went back to the sheep.
- Where was David found? Doing what he was last told to do.
- His new anointing did not immediately mean a new position.
- His position remained the same.
- God used his position to grow him into his anointing.
- David was anointed but had to grow into what God had for him.
- God began to advance him where he was before God moved him to his next assignment.
- His assignment before he was anointed was to serve his father as a shepherd.
- God used David’s faithfulness where he was planted to promote him to his next assignment.
- I have to learn what God has for me right now before I can move to what he has for me next.

1 Samuel 16:13

So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David. **Samuel then went to Ramah.**

- C. What did David do then.
1. He worked on his heart.
 2. He became a passionate, anointed worshipper of God

1 Samuel 16:19-23

¹⁹ Then Saul sent messengers to Jesse and said, “Send me your son David, who is with the sheep.” ²⁰ So Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, a skin of wine and a young goat and sent them with his son David to Saul.

²¹ David came to Saul and entered his service. Saul liked him very much, and David became one of his armor-bearers. ²² Then Saul sent word to Jesse, saying, “Allow David to remain in my service, for I am pleased with him.”

²³ Whenever the spirit from God came on Saul, David would take up his lyre and play. Then relief would come to Saul; he would feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him.

3. He became **VERY BOLD!!!** - learned how to face his fears.

D. God prepares David for Goliath.

1. Obedient.
2. Serving.
3. Worshipping.
4. Acting bravely.
5. Allowing God to work on his HEART!
6. Surrendering – over and over and over.

E. His father send him to bring his brothers food on the front lines.

1. **TELL STORY**
2. **What led up to this??**

I Samuel 17:32

³² David said to Saul, “Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him.”

³³ Saul replied, “You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth.”

³⁴ But David said to Saul, “Your servant has been keeping his father’s sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, ³⁵ I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. ³⁶ Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. ³⁷ The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine.”

Application

Faith grows when no one is looking.

Faith grows when you are hidden.

God hides you to grow you.
Be faithful when no one is looking.

1 Samuel 18:12-16

¹² Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with David but had departed from Saul. ¹³ So he sent David away from him and gave him command over a thousand men, and David led the troops in their campaigns. ¹⁴ In everything he did he had great success, because the LORD was with him. ¹⁵ When Saul saw how successful he was, he was afraid of him. ¹⁶ But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he led them in their campaigns.

Conclusion

- God builds the character for our calling in the waiting room.
- Character is built in the desert. Character is built in the season you don't want to be in.
- How you live in this season will determine what the next season looks like.
- God you will appoint me in your timing.
- The greatest thing that can happen in our life is to receive an anointing for what's next.
- Waiting season can coexist with being clothed in power.

Question

- Are you in a waiting season?
- What are you waiting on God for?
- Are you stuck in a season of waiting?
- Are you in a holding pattern?
- Waiting for something to change?
- Something in your life that you feel like you are waiting on God for.

Wondering and wandering.

Give us dreams and visions again.

Use us in any way possible.

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