

10 Dynamically Important **Considerations in Right** **Relationships**

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1 - A corporate glory is arising over the global interactive kingdom community. A new sound is being heard, and a bold new grace is being revealed. Grace and Glory are taking on new meanings as we move from glory to glory, from faith to faith, from conception to perfection, from the cross to the throne, from Moses' tabernacle to Solomon's temple. Present truth is exploding and imploding everywhere, as a people of HIS passion are set ablaze in the consummation of HIS manifest presence. Because of this, present truth doctrine {teaching and instructions through the revealing Spirit of God -Deuteronomy 32:1-2; Ephesians 1:17-18; 2 Timothy 2:15} is becoming demonstration, and the demonstration of the Spirit is leading the corporate body into corporate destiny.

Jesus' doctrine or teaching was not his own, but of him that "apostello" or sent him. {John 7:16-17}. Everything that present truth ministry teaches should awaken, quicken, activate and add substance in us towards the fulfillment of our purpose and destiny. Messages are to become pioneering patterns for divine movements, shiftings, and transitionings of HIS Spirit, for that is what a true movement is anyway, a message for the hour, a now and proceeding word of the Lord. With this we move from sermonettes for Christianettes whose spiritual diet was once raisinettes, to impartation for activation, from teaching to training, whose motivation is the kingdom through love, leadership, and legacy.

When messages become monuments, it removes many from where the rhythm of the Spirit now is to where it was or use to be. It becomes a relic of sorts, an artifact contained within the walls of a museum, or a dead thing within a mausoleum.

On another note, more present truth messages today are coming forth in the

fathering spirit. Fatherhood is calling forth sons, not to become orphans {Lamentations 5:2-3} nor bastards {Hebrews 12:8}, nor to become solitary {Psalms 68:6}, but committed to the heritage and generation of covenantal blessing, the foundation of many generations {Isaiah 58:12-14}. The fathering spirit is becoming manifested {Romans 8:19} as a stabilizing influence for each generation {gene - genealogy - chosen generation or genetics} and helps to steer and navigate in the sense of being appointed of the Lord in providing vision, direction, stability, admonition, loving care, and leadership.

Every message or movement, and every outpouring to global reformation is becoming earmarked by the fathering spirit, that which possess the heart of the Father God to pass on the generation blessing and promise to the NOW and NEXT generation. It is not a man-centered message, nor is it a message to intimate, manipulate, or to dominate HIS people. As stated earlier, it is a message and ministry of Love, Leadership, and Legacy - covenantal inheritance beyond harvest, and posterity beyond personal prosperity.

Like Moses {Mosaic and foundational apostle} who gave the logos of the prophetic foundation {Genesis - Deuteronomy} and later Samuel whom received the rhema and quickening of the Spirit for the new generation {s} of the prophets, the significant truth of the matter is that the order of the covenantal blessing, impartation, and transference continued without any breakage or interruption. The lineage of fatherhood did not cease upon Moses' departure. Joshua {Joshuaic apostles - front line warriors} continued in the succession of Moses. We too, must continue in the integrity of solidly committed relationships as fathers give first what the Lord has given them to give to the sons {That which brings honor and glory to the Lord}. It is a matter of willingness and obedience on either end, to give or to receive one of another as appointed of the Lord. In pursuit, let us value deeply the continuity of purpose and HIS promise in right relationships, and the genuine lineage and unbroken linkage of the Spirit.

2 - A good man leaves an inheritance for his children's children {Proverbs 13:22}. The impartation must become substance not only for the son, but through the son into the sons of the son. If not, we will be ill-prepared for those that are to follow without the generational blessing of spiritual fathers, having spiritual sons to limp, skip, and to hop with the absence of kingdom principles. Without the continuity of passing on what is to be

received and dispensed through spiritual heritage, we will have pioneered hopelessness, a lost legacy, and a robbed future. Nothing is more devastating than to have nothing left to give to the posterity of the seed. Nothing is more frustrating than to assume with intense conviction that you and me may have blown the opportunity of a lifetime, reluctantly failing to pass heritage on unto others.

Take note the bestselling book *"Rich Dad Poor Dad,"* by author Robert Kiyosaki. It is a book about passing on the core values of wealth and riches, cash flow objectives, and to think outside of the box when it comes to investment strategies. It defines new meaning in assets and liabilities, and helps us to become better stewards, efficient in business, and to become productive citizens of our society. It challenges the mentalities of poor dad thinking in many while possessing a college degree to considering a man with no education amassing a fortune through diligent practice of certain kingdom principles, leaving an inheritance for his sons to follow upon. It is not to suggest that the only way to prosper is through realty, but the principle conveys there is something one can do {or become} and that such core values will leave an inheritance for a lifetime. It is not intended to promote a get rich quick scheme, but adds value to making a new kind of living, and leaving for others an inheritance of a lifetime. In my observation of the book, it lends to the apostolic module of passing on inheritance of fathers to sons, committing the rich deposits of the kingdom to faithful men.

3 - Fatherhood is a spiritual dimension which began with God. Fatherhood is recognized in primarily three dimensions as follows...

a - Fatherhood of God: Matthew 6:9; Ephesians 4:6; Psalms 68:5; John 4:23; 10:30; Colossians 1:19; 1 John 2:1; Romans 8:15; Hebrews 12:6-11; Proverbs 3:11-12: God is the Father of all, in us all and through us all. To be loving and generous, and willing indeed to share his creation with humanity is proof enough that in all of his creation, in all of his deity {my kind of diet, deity} he wanted fellowship as a father {or mother} would with their children. In truth, all life itself begins with HIS fatherhood - the Father of all spirits. All spiritual and ministry father - son order points right back to our sonship in God, and He the Father of all. Thus, all life begins from the Fatherhood of God. All true ministry stems from His fatherhood..

b - Fatherhood of the home and family: Genesis 18:19; Proverbs 4:1; 10:1; Ephesians 6:1-4; {Applicable to home and the work of the ministry}; Hebrews 12:5; The revelation of God to children is to come through the fathers. Fathers, in the original Hebrew order, are to become the true life givers of the home. The life is not merely in the womb of the woman, but is in the seed of the father. Onan had life to give and was to raise up the seed of the kingdom, his brother's seed, a testimony of covenant that the generational blessing would not die or be cut off. Instead, he spilled his seed and died as a consequence. Are you willing to pass the seed through the channels of intimacy for the birthing forth of true daughters and sons? Do you have heritage in mind, or are you a baby-making machine? Genesis 38:8-11. Like Zacherias to John, have you named your seed, prophesied concerning your seed, and has given your seed an assignment?

c - Fatherhood in ministry, kingdom order in father son relationships: 1 Sam. 10:12; 1 Corinthians 4:15-21; 2 Kings 2:12; 2 Timothy 2:1-2; Hebrews 5:4-5; 2 Samuel 2:35-36; Malachi 4:5-6; Numbers 27:18-20...{Need we say any more to this...}

4 - Spiritual fathers can mentor you, but remember, all mentors are not spiritual fathers. In ministry and the vast social streams of marketplace and workforce initiative, you may have several mentors, but it is good to have a true spiritual - ministry father, one whose leadership in you ties or is locked directly into your destiny. That may be said true of many mentors in general, but the spiritual father has been given of God for the distinct purpose of bringing you into your rightful inheritance in ministry. It is through sonship that you attain what is in the heart of the spiritual father. It is through sonship that you learn new dimensions of ministry, not alone in your individual gifting. Once you meet and make the divine appointment, it is no longer based on your ointment. Once you consider the appointing, it is not bound to you merely having a personal anointing. For in this development grace and glory in appointed relationships, you do not minister out of your gifting; rather, you now minister out of your sonship.

Theresa and me are enlarged at heart to hear of sons coming forth with key mentors speaking into the progression. As stated before, a mentor can only give sound wisdom to the sons of true spiritual fathers otherwise the mentor

becomes the tormentor. If the mentor recognizes the mentored one {mentee} as having true spiritual fatherhood tied into the son's destiny, then the counsel and deliberation will only edify the mentored one, bringing honor to their spiritual fathers, as in a sense the Holy Ghost speaks nothing of himself but of Christ, and Christ of God. See the pattern here? Though we have 10,000 instructors, the instruction should always add value to the impartation and fatherhood received of the sons from their spiritual fathers. Fathers, there is no sense in trying to secure your position in becoming the only expression to the sons, as this will produce an unhealthy relationship, a false balance {Proverbs 11:1}. Such is prevalent in America and abroad, but especially America...

Now let's set the record straight, PEOPLE BELONG TO THE LORD, AND ARE NOT PROPERTY! We are stewards in the earth, as the Lord is the true OWNER of everything. In this we own nothing, and we own nobody. Neither do we own our own mind but we steward it. When so-called fathers become the sole means for the sons to receive impartation, or cut off and blockade their sons from attending our conferences and assembling for fear that like king Saul {or soul}, the fathers may lose their kingdom, it becomes tragic to say the least, in that well known brethren have prevented many from receiving true spiritual fathers in the body for fear of losing their influence {or hold} upon the so-called sons themselves.

Known grown {or was that home grown} men and women have sometimes maneuvered their entourage from receiving from our meetings in some instances, and would reschedule events on the same day as ours, to keep and discourage their puppies and cubs {hmm} from being a part of our appointed assemblage and gathering. This is sad beloved that such mentality breeds and exists within the lowest and high ranking places of ministry. If a spiritual - ministry son in the making is shakened and unstable in their relationship with their father, or have developed a shaky foundation from the patterns of their own life, drastic measures and appeals may characterize their ministry in that now, the son does not trust what the father has for him or her, and would walk with them from a distance or afar, celebrating only the fathers public success, but never embracing their suffering and pain or process. If you want the anointing, receive the suffering, receive the buffeting, receive the mantle in every sense it was given for, not alone the good times, and the peak performances,

but in the trial of faith which works patience or endurance.

If you are going to become a son to a father, remember this, fathers give of what they are given for, and all that they have. If you want a true father, receive all that the father is given to you for, not alone in their material stuff. Elisha had stuff, Elijah on the most part did not. But what Elijah had was something far more than earthly treasures in that the Lord closed the entire Old Testament with the restoration, revelation, recognition, receiving, releasing, and the reward of fathers to their sons, and sons to their fathers.

In America, many seek out fathers from some flashy suit wearing Christian tv icons, and of those who talk the talk. The basis of the relationship formed between Elijah and Elisha was not contingent upon what Elijah possessed, but in the appointed will of God. The pattern is in Elijah, even as quoted by Peter in Acts 3, "Silver and gold I don't have, but what I do have, Or what has me, I now give unto you."

It is terribly misleading to think that the covenant appointed relationship is hinged or predicated on receiving a father who has far more materiality than me, or that his house must at least be 2500 square feet larger than mine in order for me to receive him or her. There is nothing inherently wrong or the matter with enjoying fruitful abundance on the tangible scale, so long as this is not the motivation or driving mechanism for securing relationships. Ministries from all over the world come to our home and sit with us for days, to receive impartation, encouragement, and fellowship, and not one time is it conjectured on what we possess. They come throughout the year to be richly blessed. We cook food for them, and in most cases provide stay, along with endless time of one-on-one which we call ONE-der-ful. No one asks to speak in a pulpit, and no one comes from far and near to get a gig to preach, just fellowship and covenant relationship.

As in any letter written, how you close a letter is most important indeed. The Lord closes the old with the restoration of the fathers and sons. Pretty interesting too, that no greater example of inheritance passed on from father to son than in Elijah to Elisha. That was the pattern, which I call the Passion of Elijah, the closing moments of 2 Kings chapter 2.

5- The sons are not the ones that primarily execute the search mission

committee {lol} to discover whom their spiritual and ministry fathers are {1 Kings 19:19}. It was the father {Elijah} which discovered the son {Elisha} and it was the son which followed him. According to Malachi 4:4-6, the heart of the fathers are turned first unto the sons and the sons are turned unto the father. It is not to say it is impossible to seek a spiritual ministry father, but rather that the son in the making is not desperate within him or herself to conclude that the only way to get a father into their life is to search and seek conferences, web sites, and telephone directories. The father in the making will have some input also in the transition. The appointment will be reciprocal, mutual, and in understanding.

In the story of Jephthah found in Judges 11:8, the elders had turned to Jephthah again, no longer denigrating the value of Jephthah for being a son of a harlot. But this time, they were ready to be led by Jephthah, asking him to be their head. On before, Jephthah had fled from his brethren, for he was an outcast, an illegitimate son in the natural and annoyingly despised as such through the ignorance of others. But thank God, that had no effect or bearing in his kingdom progression. Though the elders finally realized the favor and grace that was upon Jephthah, they simply acknowledged God's choice for their appointed leadership, and returned to spiritual order, kingdom alignment, and governmental grace.

Now, the message here is that some brethren may reject the very notion of you being their appointed other. But like the very God himself, he will allow a process of time as recorded in Judges 11:4, to prepare their hearts for the one whom is to give and become a key strategic example unto them, in vision, direction, admonition, stability, and leadership. In Jeremiah 3:15, the Lord gives appointed leaders after his own heart. Even if the people feel that they have discovered you, in essence, they have simply recognized whom the Lord had appointed for them. In process, the Lord will have a prepared people for his appointed leadership unto them {Hebrews 13:7, 17, 24}.

For a time, some may kick, scratch, or scream at the very idea of you being chosen for a specific level of leadership in God's kingdom; but Joseph's brethren will encounter again, the one whom they had rejected. God's purposes will come full circle, a word that is sure to come to pass... Isaiah 55:11... If the Jews rejected Jesus, they will come right back to base zero which is a full circle. And one thing that is so important about a circle is that you

can see through it.

Now, if anyone lacks or rejects the value of patience, it is time for them to be processed some more through tribulation. In Romans 5:3, "Tribulation {pressure, affliction, anguish, burden, persecution, and trouble} works patience. And if we lack patience or is not being developed in the fruit of patience, a sure remedy is tribulation. The same in godly, covenant, structured, and ordered relationships by the Spirit. We must become prepared for the delicate process, to esteem the Lord's dealings with us as sons {Hebrews 12:8} and to move ahead in momentum to where HE is taking us in the process. We must add value to the deeper depths of HIS scourging and buffeting in order to enjoy the higher heights of HIS exaltation in us. Promotion comes from the Lord, and before honor comes humility.

6 - There are to be no broken stones or inability to reproduce. In Leviticus 21:16, there is found a 12-fold qualification a & sanctification of the Priesthood. In today's light these principles possess moral aspects of leadership. In verse 20 there was not to be found a priest who had broken stones or testicles, no reproductive organs if you will. The sad part about it is that many are in pulpits today, and are not desirous of producing sons in the ministry, and walk as if they themselves were castrated, eunuchs by the constraints of men.

The word confirms in Leviticus 21, that if one has any of these blemishes, these sore characteristics, we cannot approach to SERVE the BREAD of the Lord {verse 17}. You can't draw near to offer the offerings of the Lord made by FIRE, nor the bread of the Lord {speaking of moral character today}. You cannot go near the altar because of the blemish, that which is notable or deficient in proper moral character development. To do so would profane HIS sanctuaries. One can eat the bread of the Lord both from the Holy and Most holy place, but cannot serve from those dimensions without maturity.

To ignore the sanctification and cleansing process in maturity and moral character is to substitute and not represent. For example, a blind man here in Leviticus 21 is one that has no vision, the blind leading the blind and all falling into the ditch. You need to be a visionary in order to have a vision. The vision in you becomes revelation to those that receive it.

In this same chapter, a priest could not be lame, which is one who is skipping

and hopping over kingdom principles and the standard of God's word for our maturity. To say you love your wife and treat her like a punching bag is forfeiture in ministry. To skip over this word for your progression only to get to the next word for your progression is not progression at all, but is digression and regression. To jump, hop, and skip over the needed stability for right relationships is to be found immature, a boy leader, not a real father to sons or mother to daughters, but a child, not having to grow up. When you pick and choose what you think is best for you at the exclusion of the whole counsel, then we treat the will and mind of God like a bucket of KFC {chicken I suppose}, picking & choosing your favorite piece

When there is a flat nose there is no discernment. When there is superfluity there is living in excess. When there is a blemish in the eye, there is eye trouble in what one sees, like in having elevator eyes, or no true focus in life. When there is scurvy there is itching, having the itch {itching ears}, especially in the colloquial sense of the word. When there is a scab, there is a sticky sore, and in many cases putrefying, not healed, not closed up, get it. And the rest you can read in your spare time. In Christ he empowers us to walk in HIS life-giving nature, but never ignore the things which must be confronted. There is no bliss in willful ignorance.

When the stones are broken the lineage is broken. When the lineage is broken posterity is forfeited. When there is no true passion to produce sons in the kingdom unto the Father's glory, I refer in part to the world renown statement in aeronautics space division, "*Houston, we have a problem {although, in present truth dimension we do have a solution!}*" There is a definite problem when there is an inability to produce from the stones, which is the anatomy and physiology of our given makeup in the work of the ministry. Sons must come forth, the cry of the Spirit is for sonship unto God, and sonship in appointed relationships.

When we are not empowering the seed of the kingdom within, and walking out this life-giving and life-changing nature, there is impotence, no potential, no potency. When we come to realize the purpose and importance of sonship, it will become a passionate joy and a divine drive to see sons come forth into manifestation and maturity. There is no true heritage or inheritance of ministry without sonship. Sons are born to inherit the promise. The one main thing for all emerging leadership and established and grounded leadership is

to see in part the earth filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the seas. Thundering sons should fill the earth as Christ is filling all in all through the multiplicity of that one seed. Where there is no stones for producing, there can be no re-production.

Below are a couple of scriptures which comes to mind when considering the continuity of covenant through many generations. It serves as a companion to the overall message of today.

In Deuteronomy 7:9, the Lord God is "The Faithful God," which keeps covenant and mercy with them that love him, and keep his commandments to a thousand generations. Psalms 103:17; 128:6.

Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers. Proverbs 17:6

7 - Spiritual or ministry fathers and spiritual and ministry sons {male and female in Christ} are never to commend or to compare themselves by themselves, for this is not wise. {2 Corinthians 10:12}. There is never to be bred envy, jealousy, strife, discord, gossip, backbiting, and competition between the sons or the fathers as there is no heritage or inheritance therein. There is not to be found no manipulating or undermining one another for the most attention, especially in tangible resources.

Fathers and sons do not compete against one another. That is the problem we see facing many today, in that the Lord has sent a father and son together by divine appointment, divine relationship, and divine alignment, and soon, either the potential father and son began to become competitive one to another. Each were sent to complete each other and not to compete with each other, and instead, resort to dynamic gifting and extravagant and exotic revelation as the basis of forming the relationship. If the father appears with a new depth and profundity for the son's development and growth, the son has to out-minister the father with what the Lord has given him. If such occurs, the issue goes far way back before they both had ever met, perhaps a wound or hurt from previous leadership, perhaps from their own perception or distortion of imagery with their biological parents.

It is a danger to minister out of our own giftedness exclusively apart from the other more important development in ministry; especially when lacking in

so many other areas of manhood and maturity before the so-called great ministry. It is a tragedy and a travesty to hear of many sons either competing with their fathers, or competing and vying for their attention in the most extreme desperate of ways.

On the flip side I had witnessed many of these {supposed} sons feeling left out of the inner circle, all because they were pressured to measure up to their hierarchical bishop's expectation from an inordinate stance. Their primary leader would expose their weakness and flaws to the others in his entourage {no true heritage - no true sons, instead, church members or customers as in a department store}, infamous to slander other ministries in public and to make a public example of his so-called sons {servile footmen} to ensure that they are kept in check. This is not wise {2 Corinthians 10:12}.

We need to be free from control from either end, as this is not covenant, but coven, Communism, and not community, Get it! We need to exercise liberty and respect, yet consider the boundaries of the relationship without becoming familiar with each other, or ulterior in motive. There is no place for manipulating schemes by putting a price value on relationships, as this constitutes the Simon Sorcery Syndrome {Acts 8}, and the Ahab Attitude {wanting to take Naboth's vineyard which Naboth had rightfully received through inheritance - 1 Chronicles 21} - improper motivation to get what you want whatever the costs.

8- Local assemblies are to return to the original pattern of God setting first in the church apostles and prophets. Apostles and prophets are HIS divine order in the local church, relational and not impositional. It is relationship based and not authority based, nor authority driven. The pioneering mechanism for setting the tone and pace for the healthy and vibrant development of the local church is through Ephesians 2:20, the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ being the chief cornerstone. When local assemblies do not embrace the foundation of the apostles and prophets {in another sense, O.T. and N.T.}, the ministry will lack vision and direction, and much needed revelation. It needs more than just an historical synopsis, it needs the demonstration and equipping dimension of apostles and prophets. It needs to witness the ascension ministries in harmony of purpose.

In order to facilitate this radical and revolutionary change in your local assemblies, there will need to be a genuine and warm embrace not alone of the idea of their being a dimension of the apostolic and prophetic in existence, but actual apostles and prophets, visible to some degree, and an openness for their input and kingdom strategies. Sadly though, the war is on for the papal system of shepherds excluding the need for apostles and prophets as many in restricted leadership are calling themselves the five-fold all wrapped up into one. They become like Diotrophes in 3rd John who loved the preeminence, or like king Saul, insecure in their leadership, as jealously carries for its basis insecurity, fear, and ignorance.

I suggest that leaders be open in their assemblies for God's wisdom and timing to bring forth apostles and prophets into their community, and to establish covenant relationships for the wholesome good of advancing the kingdom, and to be knitted together before networking. Apostles help to reveal the plan and purpose of God, and the prophet establishes the Lord's voice and greater depths of revelation knowledge to execute HIS purpose and plan. Both the apostle and prophet form the shape of the cross in vertical and horizontal ministry. What prophets perceive is to be made practical through apostles. All interaction is to interface with the staggering reality that the apostle and prophet is to help propel that local vision into the present truth dimension, and to see its vitality through vibrant expressions of the Spirit, corrected, enhanced, and enlarged focus, and a clear grasp in apprehending and executing what that local ministry is given for.

Prophets help to release the prophetic dimension in the local assembly, and apostles the apostolic dimension. When these two are missing in action, what then is the basis for your foundation as a local assembly? According to 1 Corinthians 12:28, God has set some in the church first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, and so on. If you begin your ministry from the last portion of the above scripture first, then there can be no outflow or outworking of the divine order of the local church, since the Lord never begins ministry on tongues and helps, first.

To revert to such position is to facilitate Ishmael, and not the promise. Divine order equals divine presence.

9 – The Word "Relationship" in the Webster's is defined in part as the "Quality

or state of being related: connection; connection by blood or marriage; kinship, a particular instance of being related."

The question I ask to you is, "What does the word relationship mean to you? What do you look for in a relationship? How were your overall relationships of the past? Do you let phobias and fears of past times dictate present relationships? Did you dread the idea of your paternal mom and dad's existence, only to see now that you married someone whom reminds you of them?

There are basically four levels of relationships in today's society...We shall list them from A - to D...

A - Acquaintances: This level does not require deep intimacy at all. If you are an acquaintance, you don't share your marriage troubles with them, nor the sagging baby diaper stories. They are not interested, they don't know you like that. To meet an acquaintance on the bus stop from time to time does not require a long drawn out speech everyday concerning your life. Learn the rules of engagement.

B - Casual: Casual relationships are a step up above being a mere acquaintance. Casual usually involves the possibilities of exchanging phone numbers, and meaningful contact from time to time. Casual relationships have their use and context, but they are not close, nor intimate. The rules of engagement are to be evident in casual, for you don't hang out often, and you are not necessarily on a buddy-buddy level.

C - Close: Close relationships are more personal and deeper in commitment. Casual does not require a long term commitment, nor does acquaintances. Close relationships are bonding, mutual, and serious. Close has their degrees of closeness, and their rules of engagement.

D - Intimate: This is the most deepest level of relationships. When intimate, as a husband and wife, you can share the depths of the heart that you would never care to share with a casual or an acquaintance. When intimate, you are vulnerable one to another. You won't exploit and expose your weakness and frailties like an acquaintance or casual. In the intimate level, you trust one another on a whole new ballpark or playing field {I am thinking of American Baseball at this time}. For intimacy is the cement of the relationship, trust is the foundation and love is the motivation.

10 - Relationships in Marriage are not 50-50, but 100%

When he created and made man and woman, he did so through different methods and materials. {Genesis 2}. Each husband {house-band} and wife {weaver} contributes 100% to the whole marriage, as marriage is a relationship, not a certificate. Your marriage should be a celebration, and the home a place one really want and desire to be. Each husband and wife have DEEP basic needs within them. There are about 5 to 8 DEEP distinctly different basic needs of the husband and wife, and we need to take time to understand and to meet those needs {that is, at another time of discussion}. One is recreation and another is family commitment. One is affection and another is admiration. Both the needs of husband and wife interrelate with one another. There are exchanges and interchanges, and yes there are changes in the relationship. You don't bring your part to the table and say, "There, I did my part today, what are you bringing to the table? Where is your percentage of expectations?"

We come together to contribute to the whole meaning and purpose of marriage, not just the part we think is most important to us. This is not some business contract, or some shallow arrangement, this is covenant, and this is LIFE!

Important to all that we teach, preach, and in accordance to apostolic impartation and governmental order, is the integrity of marriage, the family, and right relationships. I would rather spend time to bring new meaning to the ministry of marriage than to shake and jerk in church services over the idea that my personal blessing of the week is on its way. In many of our travels, Theresa and me are told how blessed people are in our impartation of marriage to them, when in truth we did not speak in verbatim on marriage and the family. They caught something in spirit {inspire =s in - spirit} and in atmosphere, before we ever elaborated on it.

Additional Comments Added Below

My beloved wife and me pray for the deepening depth of divine relationships, as many in the past would want a free ride, a ministry - spiritual father as

token for the annual conference {nothing more or less}, a father on paper, or one to get revelatory truths from and off they go when they are done with us. We feel in our hearts that many have not matured into sonship while claiming themselves to be spiritual fathers and mothers to others...IN other words, it is believed that many want to be a father to others, and yet need to learn how to become a son all over again. Yes and amen!

It is said, "Not Many Fathers," but what about the sons?" Why aren't there many sons? What are people looking for in spiritual and ministry father son relationships? Why do some fathers become intimidated by the progression and success {ion} of the son, and why is it that many sons walk great distances away from the sonship they are appointed to unto the father? Is it perhaps one is not appointed at this time, or before time, or has not yet grown up enough in some areas {even emotionally} to handle the depth and degree of a father son relationship, or have not had sufficient role models, or trained and taught through example, precept, and demonstration?

Is it that some sons have yet to relinquish old familiar ties from others of a peculiar persuasion before entering into a divine relationship to begin with? Are secrets brewing between fathers and sons whereas each are not being honest about their real feelings toward one another, seeing a son more preoccupied in another man's labor so committedly with little resemblance of such commitment to his or her's spiritual father and mother? How long do we determine the length and breadth, depth, and height of the relationship? Does a son have a say so as to when he or she feels they need to move on, or do they receive inheritance and become doubled portioned through the ministry, vision, relationship, revelation, and leadership of the spiritual - ministry dad and mom?

In this present truth dimensional shifting of the church and the advancing of the kingdom, there is a cry from the throne of God bringing to light that all fatherhood returns each saint and son into the Fatherhood of God, and all Fatherhood of God reveals importantly God's makeup in the home and the work of the ministry. That fatherhood is a kingdom principle inescapable and not to be pardoned. Fatherhood is God's love and care for His own, and for the salvation of all men. Fatherhood is so profound that even when a son becomes wayward and loses heart, or when a son becomes angry and leaves his father's house {home ministry, etc.}, the power of fatherhood reaches out no matter

how severe, how awkward it appears, how impossible it may seem, or how difficult the return home, the power of fatherhood says, *"You Are My son!"* One of the first things in right relationships towards sonship, in the home, in the ministry, or unto God, is that the father, no matter how the son has behaved, or distantly feels, the father still claims the son unto his own bosom.

In the deepest of despair, and in the most tumultuous times between spiritual-ministry fathers and sons {sons and daughters, the sonship of women}, the power of the words of a true spiritual father reaches out and says, *"He or she is my son, regardless of the crime, the offence, the injustice, or the misunderstanding between us!"* *"This is my son, my begotten son!"* And it is important for the son to hear these words as well and have them affirmed in their hearing at least in some point of time during their appointed progression. For the story of the Prodigal son is in essence, the story of the Fatherhood of God, the Father {God} with open arms running towards the son as the son returns home. {I go to the Father...}

If you are sensing a distance between a spiritual - ministry father and son, {or any level of appointed relationship} an uneasy feeling of abandonment from the father, or feelings of isolation and withdrawal or a lack of allegiance from the son, then it is a good time as ever to first pray, and let the Lord give you the words to speak one to another in the appointed time, but always consult the Holy Spirit and let your words be few, and yet words of spirit and life. Let it not come from suspicion, or from loaded questions, but built on honesty, trust, love, and mutual respect one for another. Don't let ill will and bitterness build up a strategy against one another, a reason to add to the countless excuses for easily and so conveniently dissolving and breaking off relationships in a drop of a hat. But let truth and love prevail and a willingness to receive one from another, for the wholesome good of right relationships.

We pray that there will come a new meaning to divine relationships, as we have never demanded anything materially or financially from anyone in all of our years of ministry and building and expanding in relationships but only placing demand and divine expectation upon kingdom principle for the good of the relationship ordained of the Lord...but there is more... Though it is understood that spiritual - ministry sons honor their fathers as fathers are to honor their sons, and that the honor of a son will result in the son walking

out the revelation, vision, leadership, and impartation - foundation of the father, also responding cheerfully in honoring of their substance for the LIFE of the father being poured into them unto inheritance and full portion, there was never a willfull demand or an insistence on our part for anyone in any level of relationship to do first, but to be, then in being comes the doing.

There should never be a time whereas the spiritual or ministry father has to draw on the sympathy of a son through email exhortations or by creating Sunday messages and sermons to induce giving from the sons out of self-pity and desparation. Now take note that this may not really be the case at all of defrauding their son. It could really be a genuine need and concern conveyed to the sons, and some so-called sons may take it out of offence to be that their fathers are only saying these things just to get again another offering from their sons...

A son does not disrepect his spiritual - ministry father. A son does not uncover his father's nakedness. A son does no lay aside the revelatory impartation as meaningless or unuseful. Father's should not provoke their children to wrath, and children are to obey their parents in the Lord according to Ephesians 6.

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