

A New Thing Ministries



Cast Your Nets... One more time...



Wednesday night as I was trying to sleep, the Spirit of the Lord kept talking to me about this motivation. First He reminded me that I was supposed to write one motivation each week on prosperity until He told me to stop. And He kept talking to me about Isaac. He reminded me that **He desired to bless His people in famine.**

You see, in the Old Testament it was called famine, today it is called recession - either way - God wants to bless His people right in the midst of it.

I was thinking about many of the emails I get and how many people are struggling financially and the last thing they want to hear is a message on prosperity right now. Yet, I know the truth is that unless they hear it and receive it, they will never come out of lack and debt. It's God's way out. Not only that, but

I am convinced that we are on the verge of breakthrough for many, many people - I just can't get it off my mind lately.

As I was thinking about all this and about sowing in famine, I began to think about how God has required me to increase my personal giving lately as well as the giving of the ministry. It was a difficult thing to do and it took faith, but I know how God works, I have come to understand many of His ways - I know He is not trying to take something from me but He is trying to get something to me.

That is His law - seedtime and harvest - and I get to choose what measure I receive - the same measure I give, that's what I receive - it is all in my hands, it's my choice.

Then I received a phone call from a friend, he began to tell me about what he had been studying this week and how it was confirmed by two people, Perry Stone and Kim Clement.

This was simply more confirmation to me that God was saying He wanted to bless His people when it seems most impossible, when they seemed least likely to be blessed!

He began to talk to me about the day Peter was fishing all night and caught nothing. As he was headed home the next morning, giving up, quitting and going home empty handed, Jesus stopped him. Jesus said 'cast your nets, one more time.' Now, I want you to notice - Jesus said cast your nets...plural.

Peter explained that they had fished all night and caught nothing - but at the word of the Lord, he would give it one more try. We all know the story - he caught so many fish that he had to call another boat over to get the overflow.

First of all, Peter cast one net - and it broke - he should have cast nets...just as Jesus said. At the word of Jesus, overflow came - enough for Peter and everyone else around him. So it is for you.

My friend told me something I didn't know. He said in this part of the land, they ONLY fished at night, fish come to the top of the surface at night and that is the only way you can catch fish with nets. It is impossible to catch fish during the day with nets, as Jesus had told Peter to. What is impossible with man is possible with God.

Jesus told him to fish when it seemed impossible for him to catch anything - just as He has been prompting me to give when it seems the last thing I should be

doing. If I looked around, observed the wind or the economy, I would hold on to what I have - but this is the time that God is saying 'cast your nets one more time, sow the biggest seed you have and get ready for a haul - for overflow.'

When God first told me to increase my giving and increase my tithe - my mind battled with the impossibility of it - but I obeyed God and I know that I know my haul is here. I have my nets ready to catch it.

God kept me up much of the night last night, urging me to tell you that He wants to bless His people in famine, just as He did Isaac. But you have to cast your nets.

With all that is within me, I believe it is time to cast your nets one more time - sow one more seed, the best you can - confess one more time - declare one more time with all that is within you. I don't care where you sow - that is between you and God but seek Him and ask Him where to cast your nets one more time - how to break through.

Today, I was thinking about what He had me believe for concerning the ministry for this month. The month is almost over and I was thinking how good He had been and then I began to think about next month. The Lord said to me 'the breaking through is always the hardest, it gets easier after that.' Once your harvest begins to come in, it will get easier. It won't be so hard to break through in the next level or the next place - it will be easier then. That makes perfect sense to me.

With Peter, it may have begun with one fish jumping in - at the most impossible time - next thing he knew, his net was full and fish were still jumping in - he had to call for help for the overflow.

God is encouraging us to sow - not because He wants to get something from us - but because He wants to get something to us - our harvest - our catch - our overflow. I am so ready. I am also willing to obey when He says sow and sow and sow in famine...therefore I continue to sow.

Keep sowing - keep casting your nets - nets - sow where you are fed - and you will catch all you need and then some to feed you and yours. Just as Peter did. I urge you - cast your net this day - the catch, the overflow is ready to jump into your nets.

When it seems least likely, that is just when the God of the impossible shows up. As it was with Peter that day, it shall be with you.