Leadership & Intimacy

Message for Rekindle Saturday, October 8, 2022

God's invitation to Lead

There is a global changing of the guard. Over a year ago I was asking God what He was excited about I the United States. He showed me a vision of men in suits rising that had been prepared to lead but were hidden until the right moment.

Now God is inviting leaders to step up. Some of us <u>want to stay hidden</u> or <u>stay in denial</u> that we are leaders.

It's like <u>picking petals on a daisy</u>. He loves me. He loves me not. <u>But we're saying, "I'm a</u> leader. Maybe I'm not. I'm a leader. Maybe I'm not."

I signed up for the Emerging Prophets program out of Scotland because I thought I needed to prophesy better and I had seen the leader on YouTube and liked how she talked about equipping.

Silly me, God did not allow me to see the webpage that said the training was for emerging prophets to be a voice to the nations!

She tells us often, "Prophets think about resigning every other week."

I think that applies to leaders. We have some hard days. I'm going to share 2 solutions.

<u>If</u> we don't lead <u>in the sphere we're called to</u>, who else is going to lead? God has given the ones we are to lead into our care.

You are a leader whether you choose to lead or not.

You are still having a leadership impact. When a parent neglects their leadership role in the family, the devastation doesn't only affect that family, but it ripples out to almost every one they come in contact with.

It's about seizing it; taking hold of it and assuring that our leadership is one worth following.

Enemy wants to discourage

The enemy wants to keep us believing we're not leaders or to discourage us in any way he can.

The enemy wants to make it difficult for us to make decisions. He wants to exhaust us. We can sometimes feel exhausted over the number of decisions that need to be made.

You have to choose whether that <u>drives you to abdication</u> (failing to fulfill your responsibility or it <u>drives you to dependency on God</u>. Abdication is a selfish choice. You choose what the battle inside drives you to.

Am I going to shrink back? Are I going to choose hiddenness? Will I step forward?

If I believe I don't have what it takes, it <u>should drive me into being dependent on God</u>. Every good leader understands their total and utter dependency on the Spirit of God.

Breaking off your decision fatigue

When that begins to happen, we need to recognize that God will give us the ability to make decisions.

Zechariah 4:6 "... 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the LORD of armies."

There is a weight on us when we try to use our own might, our own power.

We have nothing to fear if it's by His Spirit.

Let's seize whatever leadership God wants to give us.

He won't appoint us to lead and not empower and train us to do it.

Let's Pray

Lord, we choose to step forward today into whatever position You have for us.

And if we have stepped forward but are exhausted because we are doing it in our own spirit, we come out of agreement with fear and decision fatigue, with making decisions in our own strength right now in Jesus' name.

Lord, we receive from You this day our assignment and the ability to make Godly, Spirit-led decisions.

We take hold of, seize Zechariah 4:6 today and choose to be led by the Spirit of God in making decisions.

Not by our might nor by our power, but by Your Spirit, Lord Jesus Christ.

Note: Power Hour Ep 213 Leader's Step Up with Sam Robertson, Deb Finch and Katrina Chase