

## When Your Mess Becomes A Message

- Ever since the day you were born the devil set out to destroy you.
- From your mother's womb Satan tried to kill you tried to have you aborted
- Satan tried to somehow keep you down so that you would never have a relationship with God.

And right now the enemy is doing his best to destroy your walk with God.

**Why? - Because God is about to give you a great turn-around.**

### **Jeremiah 1:4-10 - The Call of Jeremiah**

<sup>4</sup>The word of the LORD came to me, saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
before you were born I set you apart;  
I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.”

<sup>6</sup>“Alas, Sovereign LORD,” I said, “I do not know how to speak; I am too young.”

<sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am too young.’ You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. <sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you,” declares the LORD.

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, “I have put my words in your mouth. <sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.”

### ***Vs 5 - God knew you, as he knew Jerimiah, long before you were born...***

- He thought about and planned for you...
- When you feel discouraged or inadequate,
- Remember – God has always thought of you as valuable...
- He has always has purpose for you in mind!!!!

***Jeremiah was appointed by God as a Prophet to the nations...***

- God has a purpose for each Christian
- Some are appointed by God for specific kinds of work...
- If God has NOT given you a specific call or assignment,,,
- THEN seek to fulfill the mission common to all believers - - -
- To love, obey, and serve God – Until his guidance becomes clear!!!!

***Vs 6-8 – Jeremiah thought he was too young and inexperienced to be God’s spokesman.***

- Do not use a lack of self-confidence as an excuse.
- God promised to “rescue” Jeremiah from trouble...
- Not to keep trouble from coming...
  - God did not insulate him from imprisonment, deportation, or insults...
  - God does not keep us from encountering life’s storms, but he will see us through them!!!

***Vs 9-10 – God appointed Jeremiah to bring his word.***

- Jeremiah’s work was to warn the nations about God’s judgement on sin.
- As believers we are to share God’s desire to reach the whole world for Him.

**Right now you are closer to God than you have ever been and Satan is tugging at your soul so hard you can feel the pressure of Hell trying to stop you.**

**Romans 13:11-14 - The Day Is Near**

<sup>11</sup> And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

<sup>12</sup> The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. <sup>13</sup> Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy.

**<sup>14</sup> *Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.***

Vs 12-13 – The night refers to the present evil time...

The day refers to the time of Christ’s return...

***Paul considers Attitudes as important as actions...***

- Just as hatred leads to murder
- Jealousy leads to strife
- Lust to adultery
- When Christ returns – he wants to find his people clean inside and out!!!

***We must NOT give our desires any opportunity to lead us into sin...***

You may be in a mess right now, But **God can turn your mess into a message!!!**

- He can take your mess of unbelief and turn it into a message of Faith.
- He can take a drug addiction and turn it into a message of deliverance.
- He can take a broken marriage and turn it into a message of Hope and restoration!

***Right now you need to believe that you are bigger than your circumstances***

- You are bigger than your dilemma. You are on fire and hell is raging mad.
- ***You need to understand the power of God that is within you!*** Wake up!

If I can ever make you understand ***how powerful you really are...*** there will be no stopping you from Prayer, from outreach **no stopping you** from accomplishing the things that ***God has for you to do.***

- You need to say I can give a bible study.
- I can pray for the sick. I can witness to the lost.
- I can **do all things** through Christ that strengthens me.

It's time to ***arise to the occasion***, it's time to set our eyes on the dreams for tomorrow and ***stop living in the defeat*** of the past.

We are the children of the most high God -

**1 John 4:4** - You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

- **Wake up let's get going!!!!**
- Let's have that soul winning Revival we have been waiting on.
- Let's have those miracles we been hearing about.
- Let's see those lost come to God.
- God can take the worst situation and **turn it around**.
- God can take that job and **give you a raise**.
- He can take that lost child and **save them**.

God can take the worst of the worst and **make it the best of the best**.

**God is waiting on us** to believe. ***I refuse to die in this dilemma!***

**Wake up** - you don't have any idea **what God is about to do** in your life.

**You have to get down in yourself and discover your own greatness in the Holy Ghost.**

**We need to understand that the Holy Ghost is the power of God within us.**

**God in us; the hope of Glory.** We can't let God's dream for us die... **His dream is for us** to come to where he is.

- There is too much greatness inside of you for you to just sit back and be defeated by the devil.
- I am going to scream **WAKE UP** until I get your attention.

Until I can get you awake to the fact that God wants to do something great in your life.

**You are powerful** you are anointed **you are the children of the most high God** you are more than an over-comer.

If we.... or if this world would ever realize how great God is then ***we could never be defeated.***

- Is there anyone in this house tonight that is **tired of watching your dream die????**
- Tired of ***being defeated*** time and time again.
- Tired of watching people you have reached out to ***just backslide away from God.***
- ***Is there anyone tired of that????????????***

***Romans 13:11-12*** - And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. <sup>12</sup> The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let ***us put aside the deeds of darkness*** and ***put on the armor of light.***

It is time for this church to realize **who you are** in Jesus Christ!! ***You are the anointed of God.***

- ***We have a commission*** - to **go into all the world** and **preach the Gospel.**
- Commissioned to **heal the sick**
- Commissioned to **cast out devils!**

We have the **ok from God** to do these things.

- We have ***the power of God living in us*** **to be witnesses** in our city and any other place the Spirit of God gives us.
- We have to understand **who we are, who we represent** here on earth.
- **We are God's children** and **he will accomplish** whatever we will allow him too.

***The worst time in your life is the best time in your life for God to do the Supernatural through you.***

***We must believe that he is a rewarder to them that diligently seek HIM.***

**Hebrews 11:6** - And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

***God has always took the least of all humanity to accomplish his will.***

- **Abraham** was an idol worshipper and became the Father of all.
- **He took** farmers, fisherman, tax collectors, harlots, **to bring his word** to pass.

***He took what looked like a mess and gave it a message!!!!!!***

**1 Corinthians 1:27-29** - But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. <sup>28</sup> God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no one may boast before him.

***Skill and wisdom do not get a person into God's kingdom – Simple faith does!!!***

- It looked impossible for **Abraham and Sarah** to have a child in their old age but all things are possible to them that believe.
- It looked impossible to **Moses and the Israelites** to take a stick and open up the Red Sea.
- **But it was possible through God.**
- It **looked impossible for David** a 16-year-old boy to slay a giant nine feet tall. But God made it possible.

***And I know to some of you it looks impossible*** to take a handful of people here in this city and turn this county upside down, but **it's not impossible.**

***It doesn't look impossible to God.***

***Are you ready to awake to the fact that you are a powerful source*** in the hands of ***the Mighty God*** which is in Christ Jesus which **DWELL IN US?**

**CLOSE:**

**John 14:12-14** - Very truly I tell you, ***whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing***, and they will do even ***greater things*** than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

- **Jesus is not saying** that his disciples would do more amazing miracles –
- After all, raising the dead is about as amazing as you can get...
- Rather, the disciples, ***working in the power of the Holy Spirit...***
- **Would carry the gospel** of God's kingdom ***into the whole world!!!***

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**Numbers 23:19** - ***God is not human***, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?

We can now say that God is a man, and the son of man; however, ***He is not like all other men*** in that ***He has no sin***, but is ***holy like God***.

What **Balaam** was referring to ***is men's sinfulness***, and their resultant fickleness.

**God is not like fallen men.**

This does not preclude God from ever becoming a man, but ***only forbids that God should ever become like fallen men***, being untrustworthy, lying, or failing to keep His word.

**Let God take your messed up life and use it. Turn your mess into a message.**