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Good Day Partners

Beginning in this month of September 2023, we will include within this DIGITAL MAGAZINE a PARTNER LETTER. I would encourage you to tune into our weekly broadcast for more of what I will introduce to you today. ([Broadcasts Wednesday's 7PM and Sunday's 11AM @ our website](#))

I'd like for you to consider as you navigate the articles within this publication; the value of a Rhema Word from God. A RHEMA Word is a quickened word; A RHEMA Word is the moment to moment portion of the written word, uttered by the voice of God's Spirit.

Purpose in your heart, to hear from the Lord, concerning what He'd want to say to you, concerning any given subject and when He speaks; you are to act on what He says in a corresponding way, and then know that the power of God is working behind the scenes in your behalf. There is power in a Rhema Word from God.

The Rhema Word is key to your healing, a key to your prosperity, a key to your protection and more.

Purpose in your heart to get your RHEMA!

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The fullness of the Blessing of the Gospel of Christ

Romans 15:29 – I am sure ... that when I come to you, I shall come in the **fullness** of the **blessing** of **the gospel of Christ**"

There is an implication of varying degrees, or measures, of the blessing. If there is a fullness of the blessing, then there is by default a lesser measure of the same blessing.

It's important to note that "**fullness**" can also be spelled "**fulness**"; One is an older version of the same word, with a similar meaning.

DEFINITION:

– Fulness ([4138](#)) (from the Greek root word *pleroma* or *pleroo*) = make full, fill, fill up) means the full measure, the abundance with emphasis upon completeness, the state of being filled to capacity. To be filled with something is also to be under its influence: to be permeated by an influence.

Since Paul, was coming in fullness, that meant that He was full and filled with what he was bringing... he was coming with the full measure.

Here's some examples of fullness and what a person could be full of:

"Filled with faith and power" (Acts 6:8)

"Filled with joy" (John 15:11)

"Filled with Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:4)

A person could be under the influence of Joy, the favor of God, the anointing of God, the power of God, and more...

Here are some additional scripture references concerning fullness, that I'd like for us to look at:

Psalm 23:5 - Our cup is to run over
That's fullness!

Malachi 3:10 - The Blessing is poured out ... on God's Covenant partners. That's fullness!

John 1:14,16 - Of Christ's fullness of grace ... we have received. That's fullness!

Colossians 1:19 - For it pleased the Father that in Christ ... should all fullness dwell

Ephesians 3:19 . That you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Let's specifically talk for a few moments about the **fullness** of **the blessing** of **the gospel of Christ**.

Looking back at our text;

Romans 15:29 - I am sure ... that when I come to you, I shall come in the "**fullness** of **the blessing** of **the gospel of Christ**".

Let's take a moment to talk about the Blessing.

Bless means to speak well of, according to the Hebrew word from which it is derived.
(Hebrew root word - Barak)

Blessed is used for the first time in the book of Genesis Chapter one and verses 22 and 28.

Genesis 1:22 - And God **blessed** them, **saying**, ... Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

Genesis 1:28 - And God **blessed** them, and God **said** unto them, ... Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion

The Blessing ... isn't the STUFF. The Blessing precedes the STUFF. The Blessing is in the SAYINGS of God.

The "BLESSING" is a WORD **CHARGED** with creative ability, which when **heard, received, believed** and **acted** upon will cause the recipient of those words to **become** what was **said**.

The Blessing is a divine empowerment to prosper.

Now that we **know** what the "BLESSING" is, let's see how the "BLESSING" is connected to the **gospel**.

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Genesis 12:1-3 – Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: **Vs 2** – And I will make of thee a great nation, and **I will bless** thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: **Vs 3** – And **I will bless them that bless thee**, and curse him that curseth thee: and **in thee** shall all families of the earth **be blessed**.

Now let's connect this verse to what Paul said in the book of Galatians chapter three and verse eight.

Galatians 3:8 – And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, **preached** before the gospel unto Abraham, **saying**, *In thee shall all nations be blessed*.

What was the gospel or good news which God preached to Abraham?

The answer is found within the text we just read; **Galatians 3:8b** ... *In thee shall all nations be blessed*.

According to the Apostle Paul; the Gospel which God preached to Abraham ... was the BLESSING.

The link between the BLESSING and the GOSPEL was and is ... the SEED of Abraham.

Remember what God said to Abraham in Genesis Twelve and verse three:

Genesis 12:3 -**in thee** shall all families of the earth **be blessed**.

Check out the next few of verses:

Galatians 3:9 – So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

Are you of faith?

Galatians 3:16 – Now to Abraham and his **seed** were the promises made. He saith not, And to **seeds**, as of many; but as of one, And to thy **seed**, which is Christ.

Galatians 3:26 – For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:29 – And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's **seed**, and heirs according to the promise.

Jesus the Christ, is the SEED through whom the BLESSING flows. We are just as Blessed as Abraham, as we are "**in Christ**". We are the SEED being referred to by God.

THAT'S GOSPEL!

Although the gospel has blessing associated with it, there will be no profit unless you believe and act on the gospel ... then it can benefit you.

Hebrews 4:2 – For unto us was the **gospel preached**, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.

What comes with the **gospel** that enables you to **profit**, it's the **blessing**; yet it won't manifest, unless you **believe** in the blessing of the gospel.

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The measure of the blessing we experience is up to you and I. It's our faith in the blessing, It's our faith in the gospel of Christ which gives us access to this blessing ... in its fullness. (Hebrews 4:2)

Again, Paul said:

Romans 15:29 - I am sure ... that when I come to you, I shall come in the **fullness** of the **blessing** of **the gospel of Christ**"

Although Paul would come in the fullness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ; it still needed to be received ... in order for a person to benefit from the fullness of the gospel which was preached. I cannot express this enough; we must receive the word which is preached. WHY?

The **gospel** is the **POWER of God** ... unto **salvation** ... to everyone ... who **believes**.

Listen to this reference from the book of Romans chapter one.

Romans 1:16 - I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the Power of God unto **salvation** to everyone ... who believes.

The word salvation encompasses more than the NEW BIRTH experience. Salvation encompasses healing, deliverance, prosperity, protection and more. So then, **the gospel needs to be heard by both sinner and saint**. Why? Christians are already saved, from the perspective of the new birth, yet, Christians still need to hear the message of healing, prosperity and protection and the other aspects of salvation.

However, because some will not receive the FULL GOSPEL message, consequently they will not tap into the Full measure of the BLESSING.

Will you receive the FULL GOSPEL message?

Will you receive the FULL GOSPEL message of healing?

Will you receive the FULL GOSPEL message of prosperity?

Will you receive the FULL GOSPEL message of protection?

Receive the gospel, receive the blessing in full measure. Purpose in your heart to receive.

That's all for now!

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Walking In The I Am-Ness of God In Christ

Exodus 3:1, 3-4 - And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. **Vs 3** - And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. **Vs 4** - And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

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Exodus 3:9 - Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.

Vs 10 - Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

Vs 11 - And Moses said unto God, **Who am I**, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

Vs 12 And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain. **Vs 13** And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? **Vs 14** And God said unto Moses, **I Am That I Am**: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, **I Am hath sent me unto you.**

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Looking back at verse eleven; Moses asked the question:

Exodus 3:11 – And Moses said unto God, **Who am I**, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

The question of **WHO AM I** must be answered by each of us, if we are to be effective and successful at anything that the Lord is directing us to do.

- That question must be answered if we are to walk in boldness.
- That's the question which must be answered if we are going to walk in the faith of God
- That's the question to be answered if we are to walk in the anointing.

Who am I?

Jesus is our example of who we are in Him; and Jesus knew who He was in the Father and who the Father was in Him.

John 14: 10 – Believest thou not that ... **I am** ... in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

We can see that, Jesus' effectiveness in doing the works of His Father, was directly linked to speaking the Father's Words and knowing who He was in the Father and who the Father was in Him. He said; believest thou not that ... I AM ...

His I-AM-NESS was established in the Father. Jesus knew clearly who He was.

As Jesus said; ... we are to also say ...

- The Father is in me and I am in the Father.
- Jesus is in me and I am in Jesus.
- Holy Spirit is in me and I'm in the Spirit.

Wherever God sends us; ... will require that we know who we are and who we have with us. If we cannot answer the question of who we are, we'll not be able to tell anyone else who they are.

When God told Moses; to say, to Israel, that "**I Am**" ... had sent Him; I believe the implication, was that, whoever God needed to be ... for Israel, ... He was. God was saying that; I am whatever you need me to be, whenever you need me to be it.

Here within this New Testament dispensation; as Christians, we can confidently say that we are, who Christ has made us to be. *You could say I AM healed, You could say I AM rich, You could say I AM righteous, You could say I AM royalty, You could say I AM a king, You could say I AM more than a conqueror.*

If we don't know ... who we are, ... we will not be able to say; ... I am; Neither would we be able to tell others who they are in Christ. Remember, Moses asked; ... **who am I?**

Are you asking the question; WHO AM I? Or are you making the declaration ... I am who God says that I am.

Don't frustrate the grace of God, find out through the scriptures what God says about who you are in Christ and purpose to walk in Him.

That's all for now!

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Hearing and the Healing Connection

Let's begin our study with the book of Luke chapter five. Luke chapter five and verses twelve through twenty-six. Verse twelve.

Luke 5:12 - And it came to pass, when He was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on his face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

This man being full of leprosy, said to Jesus: *If it's your will to heal me, I know that you can.*

He was saying: "I know that you have the ability, I know that you have the power, ... but is it your WILL?"

I need to know what your WILL is ... in this matter.

This is HUGE!

Faith is released where the WILL of God is known.

Faith will always stop at the question mark. NOT knowing the Will of God, is a major reason why so many people do not receive their physical healing or anything else that is part of the WILL of God ... And because they don't know the WILL of God, they cannot release faith.

Listen to what the Leper said:

Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

He knew that Jesus **COULD** ... but he didn't know if Jesus **WOULD**.

So Jesus answered the question that so many are asking, even today. **I WILL**.

Listen to verse thirteen.

Luke 5:13 - And he put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, **I WILL: be thou clean**. And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

Regardless of what's going on in your physical body, I want you to realize that it's God's WILL for you to be healed today.

Healing is the WILL of God for you, Right Now!

Say this with me: Healing is the WILL of God for me, Right Now!

I want you to listen to another account of this same story as illustrated by Mark chapter one and verses forty-one and forty-two.

Mark 1:41 - And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, **I will; be thou clean**.

Notice how in verse forty-one, Jesus expresses His Will, in SAYING ... "I WILL ... be thou clean."

Now listen to verse forty-two.

Mark 1:42 - And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed.

So then, ... as soon as Jesus expressed His Will, the Leper was cleansed.

You'll notice that the moment the Leper HEARD Jesus' WILL for him ...he then had faith to be healed.

What the Leper heard produced faith.

Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.

Regardless of what's going on in your physical body, I want you to realize that it's God's WILL for you to be healed today. Healing is the WILL of God for you, Right Now!

Say this with me: Healing is the WILL of God for me, Right Now!

Let's jump down to verse fifteen.

Luke 5:15 - But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.

This verse speaks of Jesus' fame and how multitudes came together to hear Him and to be healed by Him ... of their infirmities.

And, this is not an isolated instance this is also seen in Luke chapter six and verses seventeen and eighteen, that great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.

Jesus was famous for His healing ministry.

The Bible says that Jesus went about all of the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

And as Jesus' fame spread, these great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed.

Two things immediately stand out.

1. The people came to hear and
2. They came to be healed.

The text could have said that ... the people came to be healed and left it at that. But it says that they came for two things ... to hear and to be healed.

We need to give time to hearing.

Hearing is important to your healing ... because its how your capacity to believe is increased, and then ... when your belief is coupled with corresponding actions of faith you'll connect to the power of God.

This is an important consideration, as God's ability or power ... being present ... in and of itself is not enough to get healing manifestations. God's **power can be present** and yet, you still **not** get a manifestation of healing in your physical body.

Furthermore, it can be the **WILL** of God for you to be healed and yet, you still not get a manifestation of healing in your physical body.

Now, how is it possible, for it to be God's will to heal and for God's power to be present to heal ... and one still not get a manifestation of healing in their physical body?

Here are three specific reasons why that could happen:

1. You might not ... know if it's the WILL of God ... for you to be healed.

If you don't know if it's the will of God for you to be healed, you can't release your faith.

2. You're not receptive to the power of God, because of un-belief.

Unbelief will cut off your connection to the power of God. Faith is what connects you to the power of God.

You'll recall the woman with the issue of blood and how her faith made her whole. Her faith **is** what connected her to the healing power flowing out of Jesus.

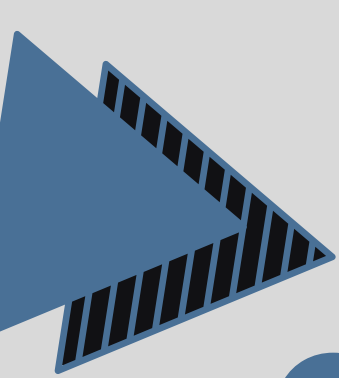
3. You're impatient with your faith where the Word of God is concerned.

The bible says that it's through faith and patience that we inherit the promises of God. And, some people give up before the word has had a chance to produce the results that they desire.

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