

## SPIRIT WITHOUT MEASURE

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- We were raised to bring glory and praise to our God
- We need to come to a place where we will worship God day and night
- It is the presence of God that can change our city and our nation
- We need to pierce through our comfort zone and limitations
- Paul ministered to people from the morning to the evening and would go to another church to continue there
- Even our Senior Pastor did not sleep a lot because he was busy with God and the assignment all the time
- We dwell on the mountain of the Lord
- We need to labour for the Lord more and more
- The great men of God did not go half way, they went all the way
- There is no difference between us and them
- They also had challenges as we do but they made a decision to say God I will push through
- Do we see the same commitment in our relationships with God as what Jesus had, giving His everything to us?
- We need to come into His presence that He can reform and rewire us
- We are so privileged to have had a man that built into us and push us but we need to rise up now
- God works with the heart of man to do His will but the heart of man needs to be brought before the throne of God
- God wants us to write down what He is saying to us because it is life
- We are taking for granted when God speaks to us
- We need to take the Word of God and meditate on it because one Word from God can elevate us
- We need to fight for the presence of God in our workplaces
- The only way we can make it is if we say more of You God, in my life
- The Spirit has no limitation
- What God can do in a moment can take other people years to accomplish
- We need to devote our lives first to God and then to our responsibilities
- When you first devote your life to God your blessings and responsibilities will not become toxic in your life
- Your responsibilities is supposed to be a blessing not a curse, if it is not, it means that your focus has shifted. The moment you lose your focus, there is no more forward motion
- We need to be led by God's presence
- The moment you put your business first, is the moment that you will lose it
- We need to respond to the lifestyle of our late Senior Pastor. Senior Pastor was always saying: "Put God first"
- There is no excuse to give your life to the assignment
- God is fresh in everything because He loves
- Love is demonstrated by laying down your life
- When you sacrifice self, there is a demonstration of love
- Our hearts need to change
- Start to fight for that what is valuable
- Our lives on earth are very short, what are you going to do with the remainder of your years on the earth?
- Elisha gave the people a choice between God and Baal
- God stays in control

- They set up two altars and as the Baal prophets prayed to Baal nothing happened but when Elisha prayed to God the whole altar with all the water that was poured out over it was consumed by fire that came from heaven
- People made up their minds because they saw God in action
- We need to start building an altar (praying and seeking God more earnestly) in order for God to move in your life
- Then people will serve God with you because they saw the change in you
- God worked so much in Senior Pastor's life that his own wife said: "I do not know you anymore"
- We need this in our personal lives that God will change us so much that the people will not recognise us anymore
- But it all starts at the altar
- Then Elisha started praying for rain and every time he told his servant to go and look and the servant would return and say there is nothing
- Elisha would continue praying because he heard God's voice
- **We need to cherish and nourish what we hear from God**
- We need to be trained to hear the voice of the Lord
- When we begin to become consistent in our prayers it is like the rain that is coming down and it penetrates the earth and the seeds that was sown many years before start to germinate
- We need to come consistently before the Lord and everything in your life will start to bear fruit
- God wants to multiply your seed like a paw-paw plant that continues to bear fruit
- When you put God first, He will cause your life to spiral out of control, you will not be able to contain it
- Elisha anointed Joab, who completely destroyed the enemy
- God can only start working when you start building an altar and start seeking and running after Him
- God's Word says that one plants and another waters but it is God that brings the growth
- **The Holy Spirit wants to bring change**
- Change is a force and if we allow that force to come into our lives, it will force change. It will force out the influence of the enemy in your life. It will force sickness and lack out of your life

### **Isaiah 61:1-3**

*The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn and provide for those who grieve in Zion— to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.*

- **The Spirit of God has anointed us**
- We need to be more active because God wants to work through our lives
- It is good when you are frustrated with certain things in your life because it means that you are ready for change
- God wants to anoint us but we need to stay available
- It is not our talent or ability but God's anointing on our lives that is going to bring the change
- **We need to remain available**
- We have a privilege to be on the other side
- God keeps the initiative, He already knows the outcome
- You will go through difficulties but God already gave us the victory
- How will you know God as the Healer if you have never been sick
- How will you know Him as the provider if you have never been poor
- We have to go through the situation in order for us to encounter Him there

- Your worship will change because you have experienced Him
- We are many times so in control of our lives that God has no freedom to move
- We need to acknowledge the Holy Spirit every day in our lives
- The Holy Spirit is freedom
- We are so privileged to be a temple of the Holy Spirit
- He lives on the inside of us

### **1 Corinthians 2:9-13**

*However, as it is written: "What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard and what no human mind has conceived"— the things God has prepared for those who love him— these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. What we have received is not the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit-taught words.*

- God has given us a Spirit of love, power and self-discipline
- When God spoke a Word, He brought a cycle in place
- There is power in the Word of the Lord
- We need to align ourselves to the Word
- **The key is the Holy Spirit**
- The Holy Spirit can cause our lives, finances, relationships, etc. to explode
- The Holy Spirit knows exactly what God wants to do
- If God wants to make you a voice, He will make you a voice, it is His ability not your ability
- The Lord wants to establish us
- **The Holy Spirit will empower us to carry more**
- God wants to expand our capacity and ability
- David was a very busy man who had tremendous responsibility but God gave him the capacity to handle it
- He loved the presence of the Lord
- He was reminded of what God has done in his life
- Jacob grabbed hold of God and he was determined to not let go unless God blessed him
- God even touched his brothers' lives
- There needs to come a determination in our hearts to say Lord I will not let You go until You change me. The Lord paid a price for our lives, how can it stay there?
- Our lives need to change
- You cannot make a decision for those around you but you can make a decision for your life
- God will change our minds to be victorious
- God is going to raise the standard in our lives
- God is going to send the fire in our lives
- God wants to bring an upgrade in our minds
- We can take control of our own bodies. Our government starts with our fleshly bodies. We can discipline our bodies to pray. We can choose to do the right thing
- God wants to use us but it starts with us governing our own bodies
- God will help us to upgrade our minds
- Your relationships will be upgraded. You will add value to your relationships
- Because of what you carry you will upgrade their lives
- Husbands, if you have found a Godly wife you have found favour with God
- That relationship will elevate you and push you forward
- Allow the Holy Spirit to beautify your life

**Isaiah 60:13**

*“The glory of Lebanon will come to you, the juniper, the fir and the cypress together, to adorn my sanctuary and I will glorify the place for my feet.*

- **God will make it glorious**
- We need to be a partaker of what God wants to do with our lives
- We do not have the plan, God has the plan
- He knows the outcome
- Live out your relationship with God
- Show up everyday