

## ALIGNMENT

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### Worship

#### **Galatians 2:20**

*I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

- Pour out everything for God to be able to fill you up
- God wants all of the space that is on the inside of us
- We need to fill ourselves more and more with the Holy Spirit
- God wants to fill every space in your life
- Let go of your things
- He wants to raise up the Holy Spirit on the inside of you
- We hold everything that God has given to us on the inside, not allowing Him to work through us and touch people through us

#### **Isaiah 43:18-19**

*“Forget the former things, do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up, do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.*

- There were eagles flying low in a valley but they had balls and chains shackled to their feet, they could not rise higher
- We are allowing the past to hold us back. Let go of the ball and chain (past)
- Take flight, don't be scared
- No chains of the past will hold us, yesterday is gone, day of defeat and decline is over
- God wants to take you higher
- The past is over, shake it off. Shake off the mistakes and failures of yesterday
- God is about to do new things
- We need to learn to enjoy the presence of the Lord
- God can do much more than any man can do in our lives
- David delighted himself in the Lord
- When we enjoy His presence we set ourselves up to receive

### Word

- Where the presence is, God can do anything
- God wants to do something supernatural in our lives, become expectant
- We can build with confidence, there is no budget in the Kingdom
- We can do the supernatural
- The success in any project is the blessing of the Lord

#### **Psalms 133:1-3**

*How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe. It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.*

- The moment there is alignment God commands a blessing
- The moment that we align with the plan of God for our body, leadership, assignment, etc. God commands a blessing
- We need to open our minds
- You need to ask, “where can I align?”

- Acceleration can come when there is alignment
- Suddenly God will start to elevate you
- If God commanded a blessing there can be no curse
- When the Israelites came to the Jordan, King Balak asked a prophet (Balaam) to curse the Israelites because he saw that they were a mighty nation. Balaam went three times to God and asked if he can curse the Israelites but God said NO
- When it comes from the mouth of the Lord it cannot be undone
- There is a blessing in the house of the Lord
- The assignment does not stop

### **What is alignment and how do we execute it in our daily lives?**

- Phone needs to be connected with a Wi-Fi router and the pin-code needs to be entered for data to be transferred
- We need to align with Him so that there can be a transfer
- For any progress, forward motion or results to take place there needs to be alignment
- When we align with the body there will be a change
- The heart of God is to pour out a blessing. God commands a blessing
- We cannot bring change in our work or in government but God can
- Align radically
- Joseph aligned, he did not fight the circumstances
- Through the process he was changed and placed at the right place
- We need to align and partner with the assignment
- Labour with your leader
- Maturity comes when you are available
- We will encounter God different, when we align
- God's heart becomes your heart and what He wants become your desires
- Labouring with one goal
- The city belongs to the Lord

### **Qualities of alignment**

- **There need to be agreement**
- You need to learn to agree in disagreement and dislike
- Authority belongs to the Lord
- Stay in your line
- Align with the mandate
- God feels safe with us
- There is government in heaven
- We need to come to agreement so that God can move
- **Loyalty**

### **1 Samuel 26:12**

*So David took the spear and water jug near Saul's head and they left. No one saw or knew about it, nor did anyone wake up. They were all sleeping, because the Lord had put them into a deep sleep.*

- While Saul was sleeping, David had the opportunity to kill him as Saul was hunting him down trying to kill David but he chose to spare his life
- God will test loyalty
- There will be a time where you have reason to be disloyal
- Where there is trust God commands a blessing
- **Believe**
- Every domain need to align so that God can bring acceleration

- Your neighbourhood needs to change because you are in alignment with the assignment
- **Action towards a common goal**
- We have many different personalities
- The different colours in a painting brings the painting to completion
- We need to align and tap in
- The individual's differences will bring unity and elevation
- Every generation that align will succeed
- **Obedience**
- When we wash dishes it is done in different ways but in the end the dishes are clean
- Find your place to obey
- The moment you obey and align there is a blessing released
- Each one has a place
- See the potential God has placed in you
- When you exercise your heart starts to beat faster because there is a demand for more oxygen in your body
- Purpose comes when you are deeply rooted in Christ. The closer you get to the Lord the more you will need the presence. Pursue His presence
- The Lord will not compromise on unity
- There is a response in alignment
- Make time to do what you need to do
- Start loving the Word and give your life
- God wants you to be victorious – your life needs to be a testimony before the Lord

#### **Attitudes that rob us from the commanded blessing**

- **Gossip**
  - Gossip breaks people down and brings separation in the body
- **Slander**
  - Putting someone in a bad light
  - Jesus had compassion for His people
  - Gossip and slander is destroying the body
- **Strive**
  - When a bow is strung there is tension up to a certain point when all the tension is stored in the bow itself and there is no longer strain on the person that is pulling the string
  - Strive causes tension in the body. Lay down your strive. Don't let strive take your peace away
- **Undermining attitude against authority**
  - Align with authority
  - God's plan does not revolve around you
  - In Numbers 16 we can read the story of Korah that came against authority and how God dealt with him and everyone that supported him

#### **Results of a commanded blessing**

##### **1. Outpouring of God's anointing and Spirit**

- It was not in the ability of Israel to cross over and take the city by themselves
- God orchestrated the victory on their behalf
- A person on a mountain and a person in a valley does not see the same thing but when they align they can prepare when the enemy launch an attack against them

### **Psalm 133:2**

*It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.*

- It is given for function
  - **Preservation of testimony**
  - The oil was used to sanctify and to separate
  - The Lord will protect your testimony. Be responsible with your testimony
  - **The dimension of God's presence**
  - God's presence will cause you to cross over and to be victorious
  - Unfair advantage because of the presence
  - It is not how we begin but how we will end
  - When you are blessed everything is multiplied
  - Limited and liberated life
  - God wants to command a blessing

## **2. Freshness like dew on Zion**

### **Psalm 133:3**

*It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.*

- We will not run dry or become weary
- Let go of the past and start thinking big
- Allow the freshness of the Lord to be over your life

### **Proverbs 10:22**

*The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, without painful toil for it.*

## **3. Great power and results will become evident**

- Pray with greater power
- What we agree upon will come to pass
- God wants us to tap into the resources that He has given to us

### **Matthew 18:19**

*"Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven.*

## **4. Two will overcome ten thousand**

### **Deuteronomy 32:30**

*How could one man chase a thousand or two put ten thousand to flight, unless their Rock had sold them, unless the Lord had given them up?*

- Alignment brings God's mathematics in play
- One equals a thousand but two equals ten thousand

## **5. Exponential growth**

### **1 Corinthians 3:6**

*I planted the seed, Apollos watered it but God has been making it grow.*

- We need to encounter the God of increase
- There is an outpouring and God gets all the glory

## **6. Acceleration will come**

- The blessing is in the body. Christ is in the body

## **7. Nothing God sets before us will be impossible**

### **Genesis 11:6**

*The Lord said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them.*

- Alignment brings certain victory

## **8. Overcoming and subduing**

- Power is released in our lives

### **Deuteronomy 32:30**

*How could one man chase a thousand or two put ten thousand to flight, unless their Rock had sold them, unless the Lord had given them up?*

- Alignment produces expansion

## **9. Capacity and power**

- One punch uses forty seven muscles to be effective
- One muscle alone will not be able to get the job done
- We need to align if we want to be effective in that what we want to accomplish
- Don't wait for your leader to align with you
- Relationships must take us forward
- Do not become comfortable, align yourself
- Let go what you have no control over