

KEEP MOVING FORWARD PART 3

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Worship

Isaiah 40:28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, does not faint or grow weary, there is no searching of His understanding. He gives power to the faint and weary and to him who has no might He increases strength [causing it to multiply and making it to abound]. Even youths shall faint and be weary and [selected] young men shall feebly stumble and fall exhausted but those who wait for the Lord [who expect, look for and hope in Him] shall change and renew their strength and power, they shall lift their wings and mount up [close to God] as eagles [mount up to the sun], they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint or become tired

- God inhabits the praises of His people
- He not only visits but makes His dwelling place where He is praised
- If you want to see chains broken and your circumstances changed, you need to praise Him
- We need to decide for ourselves, are we going to do it man's way or are we going to do it God's way
- Embrace change
- God wants to do a new thing
- God wants to bless you out of your socks
- Everything about God is fresh and He wants to release freshness over your life

Word

- **Keep moving forward**
- God is a God of growth and increase
- You need to declare over your life: "I am not going to look back"
- It is not important what happened in your past, your future is important
- When God looks at you He sees future
- You are going to keep moving forward
- Do not focus on where you are
- You might be in a difficult situation but know that suffering only lasts for a while
- The Word of the Lord supersedes every situation and suffering
- Do not look at yourself where you are but look at yourself in the mirror
- The mirror is the Word of God and the prophetic Word of God
- Your circumstances may be a reality and a fact but the truth is, you are going to keep moving forward
- We are not going to look at what is behind us but we are going to stretch ourselves to what is before us
- God's Word cannot return void but it will accomplish that what it was sent to do in your life
- **We are going to keep moving forward because God is going to put us on a SAS platform**
- We have the greatest product in the World and His name is Jesus
- Paul says in Romans:

Romans 1:16

For I am not ashamed of the Gospel (good news) of Christ, for it is God's power working unto salvation [for deliverance from eternal death] to everyone who believes with a personal trust and a confident surrender and firm reliance, to the Jew first and also to the Greek,

- There is nothing about other religions because the faith in Christ supersedes all other religions
- If you walk down a street and get to a T-junction and you do not know where to go. On the left-hand side is a dead person and on the right is a living person. Who are you going to ask for directions, the one that is dead or the one that is alive? You are definitely going to ask the one that is alive
- Our faith stands out above all the other because Jesus is alive
- He is risen and resurrected from the grave
- Buddha, Mohammed, Krishna and all the other's bones are in their tombs but Jesus' tomb is empty

- He is alive!
- **We are serving a God that is alive**
- He will direct you and lead you because He is the way, the truth and the life
- **We serve a God that is alive**
- **S.A.S. - Service, After-service and Support**
- It does not matter how good your product is, if you do not give good service, after-service and support, people will find another supplier that can give them that service
- In South Africa today our downfall is bad service
- The church is not a government institution, we are representatives of God
- God wants to put us on a S.A.S. platform because it equals influence
- People pay more for good service
- We are not the voice as a global church because the church do not want to serve
- Everybody wants to be great but the way to greatness is service

Mark 10:43-45

But this is not to be so among you, instead, whoever desires to be great among you must be your servant and whoever wishes to be most important and first in rank among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to have service rendered to Him but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for (instead of) many.

- Part of our frequency and culture is to serve
- The entire house need to upgrade and update themselves to become a S.A.S. church
- We need to be willing to serve, give after-service and support
- Keep moving forward takes us to a place of greatness
- God is not looking for heroes but servants
- After-service is follow-up
- The church is weak and vulnerable because we want positions but we do not want to serve
- It does not matter how high you go, you need to remain a servant
- If you take this Word and apply it in your life you will multiply and increase
- God wants to shift us
- Good service makes things attractive
- Service comes in many forms: friendliness, hospitality, etc.
- We need to allow God to work in our hearts as we have the best product
- If we want to keep moving forward we need to grab hold of the power of service
- We need to ask ourselves, what can I do?
- Jesus became a servant and that made Him the greatest leader of all time
- Service is not inferior
- Service is not second best
- Service is the power of Christ
- Service is distributing the greatest product that this world can ever receive
- Make yourself available for service
- Your life will become meaningful, significant and you will grow when you start to serve
- Come in agreement with the Word
- Do not look and ask who is there to serve me but ask, who can I serve and support?
- Everyone needs someone to support them and if you don't, you need to come to your pastor
- You are ready to serve
- If God can use a donkey, surely He can use you
- All you need to do is to be available