

THE VOICE OF THE LORD NEED TO BE THE LOUDEST

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Isaiah 2:2 NKJV

Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the LORD's house Shall be established on the top of the mountains and shall be exalted above the hills and all nations shall flow to it.

- God is clear that in the latter days (the times we are living in) His mountain will be the highest mountain
- Every time people went up to the mountain to spend time with God, they heard the voice of the Lord
- There are so many voices going out in our lives (social media, opinions of people and information)
- In the last days the most important voice that we need to hear is the voice of the Lord
- We as children of God are privileged to have a relationship and an open door to God
- This year, we as believers need to make a deliberate shift in our lives to make the voice of the Lord the loudest voice in our lives
- It is so powerful to see what the voice of the Lord bring into our lives

Isaiah 55:8-9 (NKJV)

"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts.

- God's thoughts and commitments over our lives and towards our lives is greater than our own thoughts and even our commitment
- God created us with a great purpose and a plan in mind
- God has shown His commitment by sending His only Son to pay the price for us to step into that what He has planned and purposed for our lives
- The moment that the voice of the Lord become the loudest in our lives He will bring a greater purpose to your life
- The voice of the Lord will bring strength and it brings a way where there is no way
- Moses and the Israelites were confronted with the same problem as we are – they were under oppression of the system but when they started crying out to the Lord and opened up their lives to God, God spoke to Moses
- The very voice of God in Moses' life brought such a change and freedom to the people
- The same God has opened up a way to step into a relationship with Him so that we can tap into His voice and start making His voice the loudest voice in our lives
- As Moses met with Pharaoh, he realised that he no longer was the greatest, there was a greater power at work
- We are many times confronted with things and we do not see a way out – our answer is to make the voice of the Lord the loudest voice that we hear
- In the same way that we sit together as a family to fellowship with one another and to influence one another, the same way God desires to fellowship with us
- He wants His voice to become louder in your life
- He has your answer
- It is powerful to see how God led them through the desert and every time God's voice was one step ahead, no matter what the enemy planned
- God's voice opened the door for them to move into the plan that He had for them
- Do not look at your past or even your current situation, start looking at what God is declaring over your life
- One attribute of God's voice is that God will always speak to us when we worship and draw close to Him

- God's voice will always be heard in our responsibility
- Everything that is entrusted to us, God wants us to keep it
- Pursue fellowship with the Lord and allow His voice to become louder than all the other voices in your life

Three attributes that the Lord's voice will bring to the forefront

Isaiah 55:12 (NKJV)

"For you shall go out with joy,

1. God will give us joy

- In the midst of challenges even if He does not change it immediately, we receive hope when He speaks to us and that will give us strength to persevere

Isaiah 55:12 (NKJV)

And be led out with peace, ...

2. We will be lead with peace

- The government of God will start reigning in our lives
- The government of God will start changing our responsibility and bring peace into our hearts
- Even if we are not in control, we will be in control of our emotions, thoughts and actions
- The outcome will be change

Isaiah 55:12 (NKJV)

The mountains and the hills Shall break forth into singing before you and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

3. Your negative situation will become your testimony

- Your situation will be a critical ingredient of that what God wants to do in your life, it will not be an obstacle that will demotivate you
- Your obstacle will begin to clap hands
- The key is to take hold of the voice of the Lord

Isaiah 55:13 (NKJV)

Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress tree and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree and it shall be to the LORD for a name, For an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off."

4. God will change the negative situation into an advantage for you

- These two trees were thorny trees
- We have weaknesses but the Lord says that even the things that we do not have control over (that is a thorn in our flesh) He will change the thorns into flowers and fruit
- God will change the negative situation into an advantage for you
- You might not have the degree that you need but God's voice will change your situation around
- Set yourself aside and pursue fellowship and make a decision to silence every other voice and make God's voice the loudest voice in your life