

Blessing or Honor?

We can make anything happen, but is the Holy Spirit orchestrating it or is our flesh constructing it. The Spirit of the Lord can honor anything we do, but do we want Him to honor it or bless it. I don't know about you, but I desire the blessing.

The Spirit of the Lord revealed to me there is a difference between blessing and honor. Honor means it will be good; the Lord can still use whatever we plan or do, but when He blesses it, we will see the fruit of our labor. When we do things in our strength, with our ideas and agendas running full force, He will honor it. It can still bring glory to Jesus' name, but it wasn't enough for me after receiving this prophetic revelation. I want blessing and honor—not just honor. I want to know I have partnered with Him as He leads and guides me to what He has called me to do.

In ministry, there is so much competition and jealousy. We can become envious of what another has that we don't. I remember, years ago, being jealous. I thought, "Lord, I am waiting for my building, and that person just up and goes and gets a community center." The Lord revealed to me they were doing it in their own strength, without His blessing, and that money can make anything happen. They shut it down a year later. Ministries should be successful in the strength and direction of the Lord.

I am always amazed at how many people, including leaders, don't consider praying about the decisions but simply moving forward with what makes most logical sense or what is best for the business aspect of the ministry. To be Spirit-filled, we must also be Spirit-led.

I've learned over the years that if the Lord showed us the big picture of most of our prophetic destinies we would take the

ball and roll with it. It takes discipline to wait and not make a move without the Holy Spirit. If we want to be a prophetic generation—and I believe we are called to be—we must partner with the Holy Spirit to manifest our destiny. We should aim and strive for the blessing, not just the honor.

The Spirit revealed to me that we are conduits of Him. We should exude the very presence of God, and if we are going to release His presence, we need to be disciplined to partner with the Holy Spirit. Let's compare ourselves for a minute to a fire hose. It is full of pressure as the water pours out. We should be full of the presence of the Holy Spirit, and people should be able to feel, see and experience the Holy Spirit flowing out of us.

Our walk and kingdom calling is never about us. It is always about Him. Sometimes we need to take a step back and rest and listen to His direction. We can get caught up in the momentum, in the next great idea or continually keeping ourselves in a kingdom-advancing, ministry-growing role. As we do this, we ultimately fill our time with busyness and the next great idea. Unfortunately, the next great idea often becomes something our flesh wants more than what the Holy Spirit has called for our lives.

The Holy Spirit wants to partner with you! He wants to direct and guide you in everyday life. Learn how to partner with the Holy Spirit to manifest your destiny in my new book, *Prophetic Spiritual Warfare*, available here or wherever books are sold.
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