

Dr. Alveda King: The Greater Good; A Dream Unfolds

Dr. Ben Carson has accepted what turns out to be another unconventional Cabinet position offer from President-elect Donald Trump: that of HUD Secretary.

Dr. Carson wants to “make a significant contribution particularly by strengthening communities that are in need.” He has said: “We have much work to do in enhancing every aspect of our nation and ensuring that our nation’s housing needs are met.”

In light of all of this, I’m still watching, thinking and praying. At age 65, I’ve been dreaming of retirement. In the midst of that dream, I’m now considering that the President-elect and many of his silver-haired appointees must have been dreaming of resting, too, at some point. Many of them have lived on this earth at least six or seven decades. Yet they threw their hats in the ring with bigger dreams for a better world, a better quality of life for everyone (born and unborn).

Moses and Aaron were 80 and 83 when God sent them before Pharaoh. The apostle Paul was also no spring chicken at the height of his ministry.

If there’s anything to be learned in these history-making moments, it’s that age is relative in the spiritual scheme of things. God uses the young and old for His divine plans.

My dad, Rev. AD King, and my uncle, Rev. MLK, were both 39 when they were martyred in the 20th-century Civil Rights Movement. Lord Jesus was around 33 at the time of His sacrificial crucifixion and resurrection. Yet as has already been pointed out, God also uses the aged in His “Big Picture.”

There's an old song, "We'll Understand It Better By and By."

Honestly, many of us don't know what's around the corner (although God's genuine prophets have some divine insight, and even the soothsayers are trying to understand).

One thing is for sure; we need to keep praying.

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding" (Prov. 3:5). {eoa}