

The Spirit Says You've Been in a Snapshot Season

I recently took a trip for my birthday with sisters and friends. On this trip, as we walked, talked and shopped, Holy Spirit led me into a fine arts gallery, and while in this space, He spoke to me. We were intrigued by the artwork hanging from the walls of this very prestigious gallery on the magnificent mile in Downtown Chicago. In fact, there was an executive from NBC in that very day purchasing a piece of art for his office. The hostess of the gallery began to tell us about the displayed artwork and its owner. She shared that his work was done through the medium of photography. These were snapshots, and they were beautiful. Yet they were only previews of a bigger scene and setting. I heard Holy Spirit say, "This has been a snapshot season for many." According to the Cambridge Dictionary, a snapshot is a piece of information or short description that gives an understanding of a situation at a particular time.

As I pondered this, the Lord shifted my mind to Moses and the children of Israel. Moses sent 12 spies into the promise land, and only two came back full of faith (Num. 13). The Israelite nation had to choose to come up higher in their thinking to lay hold of their promised land. "For as [a man] thinketh in his heart, so is he" (Prov. 23:7a). God has given many of you a glimpse of what the breakthrough looks like and what your next seasons hold. He has shared intimate details of what's in your promised land.

The snapshot may appear beautiful yet intimidating. In this space, guard your mouth (Ps. 141:3). Don't view yourself as grasshoppers in their sight (Num. 13:33). Become determined to set foot on the fullness (Josh. 1:3). Don't be like the Israel nation and see the big promise and become defeated by the size of it. Believe the Lord and take territory!

Will you step into the snapshot and walk in the fullness? Will you allow your feet to touch every place God has ordained for you? Build your faith for what has been given unto you (Deut. 11:24). Every giant that stands in your way will fall. Many have had to defeat giants of betrayal, anger, unforgiveness, sickness and depression. The Lord our God is the breaker who has gone before us and opens the way (Micah 2:13).

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