

Passing the Move of God to the Next Generation

I know ... I know ... I know what you're thinking. This article is about selling a book.

When any author promotes his or her new book there is an immediate disdain in some people as it usually conjures up images of the arrogant slick salesman who is selling a product no one wants to buy.

That's not it for me. I don't get compensated for my writing. It is a public service and a public trust. I do it humbly and joyfully as unto the Lord. I have a calling to write the word of the Lord. What He speaks to me in private I am to announce and proclaim publicly.

It's not always the easiest thing to talk about my own books, but show me an author who does not believe in his own message and I'll show you a failure. Nonetheless, here is what some of the first readers are saying about the book.

"This is the 'Now Truth of God's Spirit ' for all this year! This is an acceleration FACTOR for all ministries." –Pastor G. S., Kansas

"I started reading your new book on the move of God. Wow! It is awesome! I want to thank you for writing this book, which I believe should be read and be on the main shelf of every fivefold minister's library." –Pastor B.M., West Virginia

"I have been waiting for this book to be released, and it arrived today!

I rarely read a book without a highlighter, but I may as well not have one in this case. I am covering most of the pages, and marking up the rest of it.

This book, while I have not yet reached the ideal expressed,

either personally or in ministry, expresses my deepest prayers, and the desire of my heart.” –R.M., MD

Here are the cornerstone Scriptures for the book:

“O God, You have taught me from my youth; and until now I have proclaimed Your wondrous works. Now also when I am old and gray, O God, do not forsake me, until I have proclaimed Your strength to this generation, and Your power to everyone who is to come” (Ps. 71:17-18).

“Share the things that you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses with faithful men who will be able to teach others also” (2 Tim. 2:2).

The book is divided into three parts.

1. The first part is about the demonstration of the Spirit and the power of God that has diminished greatly in the general overall church of this generation. We’ve been too satisfied with its deflated replacements, a dumbing down and a cheap imitation of the ministry and work of the Holy Spirit; a gross overemphasis on personal prophecy and “prophetic” ministry, New Age gobbledygook and psychic themes; and a hollow “apostolic” movement. How do we recover the real genuine move and flow of the Holy Spirit and His manifestations and operations? By first identifying and crucifying these unhealthy substitutes and counterfeits and then exposing ourselves to the real.

2. The second part of the book is about returning to the real preaching of the Word and recovering the church’s prophetic distinction and glory of proclamation. We’ve mastered the art of performing services at the expense of incarnational preaching where men are moved upon by the Holy Spirit to speak as an oracle of God.

We must overcome the ever increasing popular emphasis of making the gospel relevant to our culture. This is a misguided

and obnoxious viewpoint that is based on the error of reaching people on the mere humanistic level of self interest—and it carries the false assumption that people are otherwise incapable of patiently hearing the gospel without being offended by its demands for righteousness and holiness. The balance and call of the hour is to preach plain truth with strong love, preach vitally convicting themes with moving compassion, and blend mercy with power and might.

3. The third and final part of the book is a portrait of a last days' preacher taken from the life of Stephen, the church's first martyr. Stephen's preaching was packed with an irresistible wisdom; his miracles were great and manifest among the people in the mainstream, and his martyrdom was the embodiment of his Spirit-filled life and faith and the glory of eternity. The call is for the Stephens in the church today to come forth in this final hour.

It is my earnest prayer that from the pages of this book shall emerge a pattern and a blueprint of the Spirit's cry for a glorious church and for a generation of ministers and saints who will possess a balance of His Word and His Spirit in power and demonstration.

I hope you purchase the book and share its message if it is a blessing to you.

Here is my prayer:

"For this book was born of God, so carry it now, Father; carry it all the way through to the birthing—through the doors, through the utterances and through the moves of God that I now see.

Let it be placed in the hands of those who are Yours—men and women of the Spirit.

And so now we place it in Your hands, Father, to carry it through for what is ahead.

So let it give birth to that which is of the Spirit and born of God.

Let it give birth to those who are spiritual and those who are godly, and those who are walking with You to pass on—to pass on the Spirit and the Word. Let there be an understanding and a doing of it for a reproduction and a multiplication through them.”