

Prophecy: God Is Looking for Those Who Will Double Down Now

The Lord spoke to my wife and me at the beginning of this year that the first 90 days of 2019 would be a time of fast-paced building. We felt that those days were a time where the Lord would lay a foundation we could build upon for the rest of the year in the body of Christ. As the first 90 days have come and gone, I believe that meant the foundations God wanted to establish in people's lives and everything they put their hands to. But I also believe God is now calling us to double down and reinforce our foundation. If you double down in this season and focus on establishing a firm foundation, you will be able to build something for the kingdom of God that will last.

We may first go low and do the necessary things that may not seem as flashy or important in the world's eyes in order to move forward and build high. When an architect designs a high-rise building, he has to double down and lay a foundation just as deep into the ground going down as he will build above.

In 2 Kings 18, we find out that Hezekiah became king at the young age of 26. Hezekiah was a great king and was successful because Hezekiah understood the principle of doubling down. The Bible says this about King Hezekiah in 2 Kings 18:3-5, "He did what was right in the sight of the Lord, according to everything that David his father had done. He removed the high places, broke down the sacred pillars, cut down the Asherah poles, and crushed the bronze serpent that Moses had made. ... He trusted in the Lord God of Israel. Afterwards, there was no one like him among all the kings of Judah or among those who were before him."

What made Hezekiah so great? Because Hezekiah knew how to double down. As soon as Hezekiah became king, the first thing he did was go into the house of God and remove the high places, tear down the sacred pillars, cut down the wooden images and break the golden serpent into pieces. Hezekiah's first move as king was to clean out the house of the Lord from all of the idolatry that had been defiling it for so long. He did these four things and went low to do only two things to go high, to build and to plant.

God is looking for those who understand the importance of doubling down and working on the foundation of their lives before they build or plant what God has placed in their heart to accomplish. If you build a beautiful house with the best materials on a poor foundation, it will not last! God wants to sow seed into good ground. God is raising up those who will double down with no toleration for idolatry and those who will value their foundation in God more than anything they may be destined to do. Doubling down is spending time in prayer, choosing to fast and allowing the Lord to process us and keep our hearts pure and our character and integrity strong.

I want to challenge you today, double down and become like King Hezekiah who went low, tearing down what needs to be torn down and breaking what needs to be broken so God can move and do something new that will last! {eo}

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