

God's Government in the House Part 2 Pastor Tony Higginson

Last week I shared an illustration of how God began speaking to me, showing me a picture of God reading His instant message service, sent to Him by the saints of God. Reading it, God calls to His son Jesus, asking Him, 'Son remind me, what business are we in? Please remind me Son.' The Son says, 'Father, we are in the building and reconstruction business, which means we are in the business of building the kingdom of God, which involves reconstructing lives, communities, cities and nations.' God responds by saying, 'Yes that's the business I thought we were in, then why do most of the church think we have branched out into the entertainment business, along with entering into the secular and humanistic business?' God, turning to the Holy Spirit says, 'Please go down stairs and tell the prophets and Apostles, the genuine ones that is, tell them to remind the church of the real business that we are in and please remind them to stick to the brief, for we the Godhead will only bless and move through those who represent us and build according to the pattern released to them.'

Now, in order to stick to the brief of building and reconstruction, there must be leaders who build with the mandate of ensuring that the government of God is found not only in the house, but more importantly found **built into the lives of the people**, so the people are found living righteous, peaceful and joyous Christian lives. We cannot have the people of God **living unrighteous, defeated, miserable, unhappy lives, for this is not the pattern of the Kingdom**. Leadership is building **the government of God into the lives of God's people so that distinct Kingdom dimensions become operational**.

· **God first works and fashions His man, so that that which has been worked and fashioned within him can then be transferred to His people.**

The divine order of fashioning

1. God chooses His own man
2. God then fashions and works with His man
3. The man and his God co-labour together working with the people
4. The man and the people respond by walking and working with their God
5. The people and their God together, begin working towards their primary assignment which is building and reconstructing lives which include the saints of God, those who are marginalised in life such as the lost, the poor, and the blind, those who are imprisoned, along with the lame, the sick and those who are locked in sin and found walking unrighteously. It's only as we do this, that we begin **reconstructing and transforming** society.

· **God manifests Himself so as the people can see that God and His man are walking and working together in covenant relationship.**

Numbers 12:5-8 Then the LORD came down in a pillar of cloud; he stood at the entrance to the Tent and summoned Aaron and Miriam. When both of them stepped forward, he said, "**Listen to my words:** "When a prophet of the LORD is among you, I reveal myself to him in visions, I speak to him in dreams. **But this is not true of my servant Moses;** he is faithful in all my house. With him I speak face to face, **clearly** and not in riddles; he sees the form of the LORD.

1. One of the traits of any leader is that he must possess **a God factor** rather than possess an X factor. In

other words he must be more than a talker or a flamboyant personality figure, but more so he must be able to **demonstrate his God to the people.**

2. Though a leader may possess charisma, personality, style and character, he must be able to **represent God fully** before the people.

· **There is no such thing as private dreams, for God shares His plan with those who are willing to work and walk with their God.**

Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord, plans to give you hope and plans to give you a future.

· **God never said he would give you a private dream, the charismatic preacher told you that.**

· **The first rule of dreaming is you must wake up.**

· **All God's dreams are attached to His divine plan, purpose and assignment, for there are no single Rambo mission dreams given out, for the plan is for corporate destiny.**

· **All dreams/plans must first be submitted to God, His men which is the eldership, those who govern the affairs of God's household.**

· **All dreams/plans must work to fulfil the assignment of the house, rather than work for the benefit of the individual. (Key concept)**

· **All dreams/plans must have a direction rather than sporadic actions.**

· **All dreams/plans must have consistency rather than hot air.**

· **All dreams/plans must have singular unified language.** Daniel 2:19-23. I thank and praise you, O God of my fathers; you have made known to 'me' wisdom and power, you have made known to 'me' what 'we' asked of 'you', you have made known to 'us' the dream of the king.

· **The reason why God allows His prophets to speak is to remind 'you', 'us' and 'we corporately together' the direction, the will and purpose of God's dream for 'our' lives.**

· **Your gift, talent and ability is proof that God has already invested into you and that which he has made an investment into, He will also look to draw from that account.**

· **What tragedy it will be for the soul that pursued their own individual dream thinking it was God, only for them at the end of their days to realise that the ladder they climbed was leaning against the wrong wall.**