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ACTIVATE!

Came into the year...



- Looking for 20/10 vision! **1Chron 12.32**
 - Want to be valiant people who understand our times and know what to do!
- Drawing nearer to God! **Mt 7.7-8 (Lk 11)**
 - Loving Him, obeying His words, and living ‘up close’ with Him! **John 14.21,23**
- Loving people more! **Luke 6.32-38**
 - *Lavishing them*, good and bad, with the mercy (freedom) and grace (equipping) we want to receive!

Came into the year...



- “Going Live” on all sides of our mission to the whole world, asking for “how!”
James 1.5
 - Preaching good news, **Mark 16.15**; standing in the gap, **1 Timothy 2.1**; and making disciples... **Matthew 28.18,19**
- Paving the way through our *worship*, and if not, our *obedience*, to God’s word regarding the tithe and offering!
Genesis 14.20 Malachi 3.7-12 Mt 23.23



“Whoever is faithful with very little will also be faithful with much... if then you have not been faithful with worldly wealth who will entrust you with true riches?”

–Jesus, Luke 16.10,11

Came into the year...



- Mike and Stacy came to speak and gave us a great word... **Matthew 7.24-27**
2Kings 7.1-16
 - “If we stay where we are, we’re going to die... if we go back to the old places, we’re going to die... so we may as well go forward... we may live, and if not, we’re going to die anyway!” (**Hebrews 10.39**)
 - “Those that know God, will display strength and take action!” **Daniel 11.32**

Coming into the year...



- **With many voices calling us to Preach the Good News and Make disciples!**
 - Glenn Burris, Foursquare President:
Liberate people to their ministry!
 - Del Tackett, Author, Teacher, Truth Project:
Engage believers in their ministry!
 - Holy Spirit's words to us to *Activate* individual ministry as kings and priests!
 - Supply of good news and order!
 - Ministry of intercession for others!

Kings and Priests!



- **“Jesus, the faithful witness and the first begotten of the dead, and the Ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him that loves us *and has released us from our sins* by His blood, *who has made us to be a kingdom [of kings] and priests to His Father*; to Him be glory and dominion forever! **Rev 1.5,6 –Lexicon**”**

Kings and Priests!



- **“And they sang a new song saying, ‘You are worthy to take the book and to open the seals thereof, for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every kindred, tongue and people and nation; *and You have made us unto our God kings and priests and we shall reign on the earth!*”**

Revelation 5.9,10 –Lexicon

Kings and Priests!



- **“You are a chosen people, *a royal priesthood*, a holy nation, a people for God’s own possession, to proclaim the virtues of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light! Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy but now you have received mercy!”** **1Peter 2.9,10 –Lexicon**

Kings and Priests!



- **We believe in the individual royalty and priesthood of every believer!**
 - All of us have access to God!
 - Kings/Queens: resource, defense, order!
 - Priests: intercessor's, servants, stewards!
 - Both empowered for mission!
 - No excuses or obstacles *of substance...*
 - Only needing help to “push through!”

Ephesians 4.1-20



- I therefore (Paul), the prisoner of the Lord, urge you to *walk worthy of the calling you have received...* keeping yourself together in humility and gentleness, and with patience enduring with one another in love... with eagerness and speed, keep the unity of the Spirit through the bonds of peace. [abruption] One body, one Spirit, one

Ephesians 4.1-20



- **hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all who is above all and through all and in you all. *Now to each one of us grace has been given according to the measure of the gift of Christ.* This is why it says, “When He ascended on high He led captives away... *and gave gifts to men...*” and it was He who gave some to**

Ephesians 4.1-20



- be apostles and some to be prophets and some to be evangelists and some to be pastors and teachers [“gifts,” not offices] to equip the saints for works of ministry, to build up the body of Christ, until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the son of God, as we mature to the full measure of the stature of Christ... Then we will no

Ephesians 4.1-20



- **longer be infants, tossed and carried around by every wind of teaching by the clever cunning of men in their deceitful scheming... Instead, speaking the truth in love we will in all things grow up into Christ Himself, who is the head. *From Him the whole body is fitted and held together by every supporting ligament and as each individual part does its work***

Ephesians 4.1-20



- ***the body grows and builds itself up in love. So I tell you this and testify to it in the Lord, you must no longer walk as the unsaved do in the futility of their thinking. They are darkened in their understanding and alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardness of their hearts... THAT'S NOT CHRIST!***

Activate!



- **“From Him the WHOLE body is fitted!”**
 - He gives us our ministries!” **1Cor 12.5**
 - The Spirit is given to every one of us! **v7**
 - God puts us in the place He wants! **v18**
 - He “composed the body” expecting no schism in the body, every part being in a ‘particular’ place! **v24,25,27**
 - Being many, we are one body! **Romans 12.4,5**

Activate!



- “From Him the WHOLE body is fitted!”
- And He gave the body “gifts...” for the “perfecting:” katartismos: katartizo: outfitting, complete furnishing, repair, adjusting, setting, resetting, mending, rejoining, binding up, debris removal, reordering for use... **Ephesians 4.12**
- For the saints work of ministry!

Saints Ministry!



- **To proclaim the Good News!**
 - Don't need any special training for this!
 - You are just telling the story of what God has done for you!
 - “Come and see the One...” **John 4.29**
 - “Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you and what mercy He has shown you!” **Mark 5.19**
 - “That was me then, this is me now!”



You already have your
story... go and proclaim it
to the world without
holding back!

Saints Ministry!



- To make disciples!
 - This requires some “good training...”
 - “You’ll go to great lengths to make one follower, but then he becomes twice the child of hell as you!” **Matthew 23.15**
 - ***Jesus is speaking “woes”*** to people who pass on their traditions/compromises in place of Gods words! [WHOA!]
 - “They worship Me in vain, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men!”

Saints Ministry!



- To make disciples!
 - This requires some “good training...”
 - “Go and make disciples: learners, pupils of all people...” infers *“the same...”*
 - “If you *continue in My word; love one another; bear much fruit...* then you are My disciples! **John 8.31 13.35 15.8**
 - “Teach them to keep my words and you will be called great in the kingdom of heaven!” **Matthew 5.19**



If you are willing... you can
become a disciple maker
with a little help from
your friends!

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