

Guidelines for the exercise of the Lord's day Prophesying Message Five : Answering God's Call to Be His Dispensational Instrument, His Overcomers, to Turn the Age

I. Overview:

Every time God wants to make a dispensational move, He must obtain His dispensational instrument. Just like Daniel and his companions, they were Nazarites and voluntarily consecrated ones who were sanctified absolutely to God, to let God be expressed through them and were truly under God's authority. Daniel, joined himself to God's desire through God's Word, who was a man of prayer with the spirit of an excellent spirit. In order to be today's overcomers, we must redeem the time to allow the Lord to train our spiritual sense and our spiritual sight to sense the opportunities whenever they come and make the most of them. Today the way to become vitalized is to answer the Lord's call to be an overcomer, to exercise being a praying person. The full time training is also for the producing of the overcomers, those who are desperate to conquer three enemies of the deadness, the lukewarmness, and the barrenness.

II. Truth and Enlightenment:

Day 1 —

A. Expound the seed of the woman in Genesis 3:15.

The seed of the woman in Genesis 3:15 primarily refers to the Lord Jesus, but the overcomers also have a part in this seed. The seed of the woman includes the church, especially the overcomers. Even though the Lord bruised Satan's head, he is still at work. The fulfillment of the seed of the woman bruising Satan can be seen in the man-child in Revelation 12.

B. State how to bring an end to the church age and introduce the kingdom age.

The rapture of the man-child brings an end to the church age and introduces the kingdom age. The man-child enables God to move. He waits for man in all of His moves. God's binding in heaven is based on our binding on earth. God's purpose is fulfilled in the overcomers because they work with Him. God always lays hold of a group of overcomers to make a dispositional move.

Day 2 —

A. Explain Daniel being a Nazarite as a voluntarily consecrated one.

Daniel actually was a Nazarite, because a Nazarite was a person who did not drink any wine or strong drink. Daniel refused everything that men enjoyed and boasted of. He refused everything that would offer him some position in the world. He was a voluntarily consecrated one. All those who are used by the Lord to turn the age must be Nazarite, voluntarily consecrated ones.

B. Expound how Daniel and his three companions had God as their King.

When everyone else on earth seeks after the world and enjoys the world, Daniel and his three companions vowed, saying, "We forsake such opportunity and must take another stand for God." They expressed God this way because they submitted themselves to His authority. While the whole earth denied God's authority, they acknowledged God's authority. While the whole earth had men as kings, they had God as their King.

Day 3 —

A. State that Daniel is a person who was joined himself to God's Word.

Daniel was that he was not only a person who read God's Word regularly but a person who was joined to God's Word. When he read from the book of Jeremiah that God had ordained seventy years of captivity for the Israelites and that after seventy years God would turn back to bless them, he immediately fasted and prayed. As soon as he touched God's desire through the Word, he joined himself to that desire.

B. Explain that Daniel was a man who was always praying. His prayers were not at all common. His prayers were prayers that turned the age. Every time he encountered some crucial matter, he prayed before God. He believed in prayer because he believed in God and not in himself. God's move is like a train which must have rails for its move. Man's prayers are like the rails which pave the way for God's move to go on.

Day 4 —

A. Expound the meaning of redeeming the time in Ephesians 5:16 and Colossians 4:5. One could translate the word time in the passages from Colossians 4:5 and Ephesians 5:16 as redeeming the "opportunity." In many matters we do not know how many opportunities we have missed. Many things which we can do are all too easily missed by us. Many people whom we can save are all too easily neglected by us. What we have lost are so many opportunities! When we face the Lord in the future, we will truly have much regret to face.

B. Explain what the spiritual meaning of losing opportunities is and its application. If we do not know what the Lord is doing today or what is going to happen today, we are missing the opportunity. Perhaps the Lord wanted me to seek a person, but on that day I did not go because I was afraid the weather was too hot, and I was too lazy. Day by day, the Lord give person who was potentially very useful to the Lord. Day by day, the Lord gives us countless opportunities in our life, and we miss them all.

Day 5 —

A. How are we trained in our spiritual sense and spiritual sight? May the Lord train our spiritual sense and spiritual sight. If we are short in these two things, we will not know how to deal with situations when they come up. Time is constant, but opportunities are not. Opportunities appear in time. Time is continuous, but opportunities come and go. Therefore, we must grasp the opportunities.

B. Explain what the significance of the word in Daniel 11:32 is and its application. Daniel 11:32 says, "The people who know their God will take action." This means that the people of God will open up new horizons. The more we know God's will, the more we will seize the opportunities. Anyone who hesitates is living in a habitual way. Those who know God will never act in a habitual way. Once God moves, we should move. We should not give up any opportunity.

Day 6 —

A. Expound an overcomer being a vital person. We need to remember that our groups must be vital groups. The Bible talks about vital people. An overcomer is a vital person. A vital person, an overcomer, is a praying person. You must have the real burden for the real prayer. Our intention in forming the new groups is to have groups of overcomers.

B. Why do we need to be desperate to conquer the three enemies? We must carry out the practice of the vital groups in desperation. We should pray desperately for the Lord to give us some fruit and remove our barrenness. This should be a matter of life or death with us. The most crucial thing for us today is to be desperate to conquer the deadness of Sardis, the lukewarmness of Laodicea, and the barrenness dealt with by the Lord in John 15.

III. Conclusion:

The brother who releases the Word of God shares and fellowships in his burden; no matter what status we are in, what age we are, is brother or sister, we should pray to the Lord and answer His call by entering this message. To see that we are living in a special time, God is doing a special thing for His kingdom. He is calling us to be His dispensational instrument, just like Daniel and his three companies.

To be like Daniel and his companions, they were God's overcomers in their age, and let God have a way to be expressed through them. To live in the church as a vital person to find a living companion, to labor together on men, to conquer the three primary enemies in the gospel preaching and our shepherding of other saints.