

# He Gave Men to Us

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Scripture Reference: Ephesians 4:7-15 (AMPC); 1 Corinthians 13:11 (NKJV); 1 Corinthians 14:20 (NASB); Hebrews 5:14 (NASB); Ephesians 4:13 (AMPC); Galatians 1:7-9 (BSB); 1 Corinthians 4:22-26 (AMPC); 2 Corinthians 11:3-4 (BSB); John 17:6-20 (AMPC); Matthew 20:6-9 (NKJV)

God has placed it in my heart, that we need to become a church that is matured. We need to grow into Christ who is the head of the church. *When?* Now (present tense).

Jesus is so gracious with His gifts - He has given men to us.

When Jesus ascended, He chose to give men (whom He preordained, appointed, consecrated and set apart). The underlying intention and purpose in Jesus giving gifts, is the perfecting and the full equipping of the saints, building up Christ's body (the Church) to mature manhood (nothing less than the standard height of Christ's own perfection).

*How do we attain this maturity?*

- By maturing in our language/speech.

As a household of faith, it is very important that we speak the language of the house. We are to be taught the language of the house by those more mature in faith. Jesus expects us to grow up in our speech (to not speak defeat, sickness and problems anymore – to not glorify our circumstances). We need to speak the same language even at home and give others permission to correct us, if we are not speaking faith or speaking something contrary to the word of faith.

- By maturing in your thinking.

We need to renew our minds concerning the gifts that the Lord Jesus Christ has given us. Pastor John reverently occupies this position as a gift that is given to us. If you think that we are promoting and elevating a man/Pastor John, you are thinking like a child. Our eyes should be opened to say, "This man is like no other."

- By engaging and putting our foot in the message/burying ourselves in the Word.

The Lord said, "My people are not engaging in the Word. They do not understand how precious this Word is". When you don't place a value on something, it shows that you don't understand its significance and how much it can empower your life. We need to take the message that is preached in the house - it is for us, for our paths, our lives, our victory (at last we understand).

- By not staying away.

You cannot afford to stay away from Pastor John and Pastor Sharon - when Jesus ordains men, that person is given a divine/holy order. Jesus loves His church (you). He gave you a gift to be His full representative, to hear His words and bring it to you. If you will take those words, put them in your heart and speak them with your mouth, you shall experience victory in your life.

- By maturing corporately.

There is a certain level of maturity, that you can never obtain except through the gift that God has given you. God won't bypass His Word. There are certain things that are urgent that are given to this gift (Pastor John) so that it can be released into your life (– you need to be here).

- By receiving inspired words.

Pastor John and Pastor Sharon is to prepare a people for the Lord with inspired preaching (interpreting the divine will and purpose of God). The Jesus revealed to Pastor John and Pastor Sharon, must be the Jesus we know – not any other Jesus. The Gospel that they preach is a transforming, powerful gospel - it needs to change our lives.

- By being an infant when it comes to evil.

If the world loves you, you need to question yourself, am I an infant when it comes to evil?

- By not speaking against what is preached.

If you have not received a revelation yet, take your time, God is not intimidated by your questions, BUT don't be hasty to speak against what is being preached in this house. Stay away from the person that is talking something contrary to what Pastor John is preaching.

- By receiving as if Jesus is saying it to you.

Take the words that God has given Pastor John as if God was speaking to you. Pastor John is a spout; he utters the Word of God and we should hang on every word, every syllable that comes from his lips (and Pastor Sharon's). You must contend for those words and see them coming to pass in your life. In this house we have been Good News-ed (by inspired word). God will put certain things in a certain way to empower you, the anointing is released upon that Word. When Pastor John is inspired by God to speak healing, then you must just say, "I receive it Lord, as though Jesus was saying it to me".

- By walking together.

When we come together it is for the development of one another, we walk together, we grow together. Holy Spirit is the One who sets the spiritual climate in the church when we come together. He wants to move it from glory to glory, from faith to faith.

- By not compromising the message that is preached.

An unbeliever/untaught outsider/baby Christians who must come into this house, is told of sin/carnal nature (a conviction comes). We must not compromise the message that is preached in this house. There is a certain determination that we need to get to. We need to rearrange certain things in our lives, so that we can bury ourselves in the Word. We need to confess our sins amongst one another to say "I have not been walking in the Word, I have not been attending PCG".

- By following God's pattern.

Your victory depends on how much you honour the Word of God. Jesus Himself appointed men. God is honour bound to bring what He has given to His prophets, to pass. Don't believe *in* Pastor John, believe Pastor John and believe in the Lord your God and you shall prosper - that is God's pattern. When God wants to change circumstances, He gives it to His prophets, so that they can decree/speak it (and the world cannot defeat incorruptible seeds).

- By (with noble heart) accepting Pastor John and Pastor Sharon as gifts.

Moving towards maturity means we start believing and (with a noble heart) accepting that Pastor John and Pastor Sharon are sent by God (not just as mental ascent).

- By tapping into an eleventh-hour grace (the last-minute grace).

When we go to the promised land, we leave no one behind, we are all going in together. Some have not engaged (and were idle, inactive, unfruitful, barren); some have walked away; some have given up; some are weary, some have been comparing themselves to others; some have self-defeating thoughts, some say, "I don't deserve it anyway".

The Good News is that there is grace, unmerited favour, for all of us. Jesus is kind. Jesus is not legalistic, Jesus does not want to leave anyone out.

God is saying, "Come and inherit. Come and be part of the healings, the prosperity, the victory, in the last hour. It's not too late for you!" You can still go in and get the full. Just bury yourself in the Word, redeem your time, redeem your energy. It is harvest time, it is time to work!