

Preparing for Big and Bold

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“And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”

(2 Corinthians 6:16 KJV)

You are the temple of the Living God and as God has said, “I will dwell in them.” God willingly wants to live in us, He willingly wants to be part of us. He wants to walk with us, He wants to walk in us and He shall be our God and we shall be His people. There is no greater thing that could happen to us as Gentiles, where there was no covenant with God and God said, “I choose you, now, will you choose Me?”

We say; Thank You Lord for choosing me! I choose You!!

Luke chapter 7:1-10 tells the story about the centurion. He was a non-covenant man, a gentile but, he had a relationship with God’s covenant people. He has seen something in their lives, in their traditions, in the way that they worship God. He saw something in these people that was great enough to be something different. This caused him to want to be generous to them and to be participating in their society. Not only participating but he used his wealth to build a house of worship for Jehovah, for Yahweh’s covenant people. There is some faith in that. There is quite some trust in that because he did not know this God, he only observed this God. He had great faith in the God that the Jewish people served. There was faith-building in him, in hearing of the way that they worshipped God. There was already a strong faith in him.

What this Centurion did was *big* in the way that he served God’s people. When the time came he could translate that *bigness* into a *big, bold* request, into a *big, bold* action. Whenever you want God’s attention, it’s always going to require something of yourself to show that you put your faith in God. It’s always going to require something that you need to show Him, that you trust Him, that you love Him and that His ways are the ways that you want to follow.

We say: Lord, I trust in You, I put my faith in You! Your ways are the ways that I will follow!!

Big means: grown-up, small grown up, on an ambitiously large scale, showing great enthusiasm, very successful, of considerable importance or seriousness. Also generous, a marked superior, in character and quality, much beyond the extraordinary.

Big and bold in 2021, is something that’s ambitious, something that’s large but it is not just about things or places. When we are saying we are going big, it’s also we’re growing up, we are not staying where we were before!

Bold means: daring, courageous and brave. It also means requiring courage in the execution of what you’re doing.

You execute things with the spirit of boldness, confident and not having a spirit of timidity. Showing a willingness to take risks. In God, our only risk is to just step onto the water, in faith.

So this is the season for us to grow up, to have enthusiasm, to go big, to have ambitious plans and to be significant in the way things are happening. It's a season for us to be courageous and brave and not be worried that we have to control every last detail.

We say: I am bold and courageous! I am growing up! In this season I will execute things with a spirit of boldness!

"But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Matthew 8:12 NKJV

Jesus is saying here that it is not about your current genetic birthright that gives you access to the Kingdom of God. He is saying it's your position in the Light.

Faith, like that of the centurion, it puts you in the Light, this is the kind of faith that gets results. This is the kind of faith that gives you confidence and boldness, that causes you to go big. It is not self-confidence, it is knowing the Christ that is in us will allow us to have faith to go into our future with bigness and boldness.

"Then Jesus turned to the Roman officer and said, "Go home. All that you have believed for will be done for you!" And his son was healed at that very moment."

Matthew 8:13 TPT

Your place of your miracle is at your home, where you encounter Jesus! Your place of miracle is where you need to be!!

"And he has appointed some with grace to be apostles, and some with grace to be prophets, and some with grace to be evangelists, and some with grace to be pastors, and some with grace to be teachers. And their calling is to nurture and prepare all the holy believers to do their own works of ministry, and as they do this they will enlarge and build up the body of Christ."

Ephesians 4:11-12 TPT

This, to *Go Big and Go Bold*, is about the grace of God allowing your gift to have space to grow because without your gift growing, we can't do and become like Christ. We have to grow. God is saying, " I am wanting your full abundance of Christ in the earth and you got to *Go Big* in what you build, in what you do, so everybody's gift can grow in you and together, you become a fully abundant Christ." He needs us like that on the earth, now more than ever.

This is the beginning of encounters for God because we all are all coming to bring our gifts. We can have a full generation across the generation gifts, activated, energized and brought into activation together, contributing to each other's growth, fully developing in the abundance of Christ together. People will be attracted to the shining of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, in our unity, and in our expression of truth and the love of God, that we share amongst us.

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