

Your Money Has A Voice

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I say: I praise You right now, before going through the message - break up hard ground in my heart, if there is any.

¹⁶And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people" (2 Corinthians 6:16 NKJV).

¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it (Matthew 16:15-18 NKJV).

Church, us - the Ecclesia, it is the assembly of individuals who hold a position as citizens touching political and judicial matters. When such an assembly comes together, here is the local church. When we come together on a Sunday or we pray in a prayer meeting, we are creating laws - it's judicial. Key judicial cases were decided in that time of Jesus when the Ecclesia came together. Governmental decisions were debated, policies, affecting both internal and external affairs were formulated. Customs and cultural rules were adapted and changed. State decisions are proclaimed, and officials were appointed.

People living there, paying taxes, owning land, they have to decide; not just a person passing by. That's very important when it comes to our understanding of being planted in the local church.

I say: My heavenly language when I pray in the Spirit, is full of legalities, because I am planted, and when I pray, I bring all the legalities to God in prayer - what must happen in my city, and in my nation.

Ecclesia, is governmental, judicial, and legislative. They counted it a great privilege and honour to be part of this local assembly, the *ecclesia*.

²⁴And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, ²⁵not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together...(Hebrews 10:24-25 NKJV).

Every time God speaks, every time we pray for our nation, and I am sitting there and I come into agreement just by saying, "Yes Lord." That is me sitting in my chair, legislating and saying, "It will be so". If I stay away, and I am not actively part of where God has planted me, the supply of my spirit is not there, but also my gifting, my anointing, the calling, the mantles that God has planned for my life is missing. I am part of the local assembly, because in that, by coming and doing my part, I am affecting and creating laws, influencing governmental cases, and affecting policies and rules in the spirit there where I am planted.

¹Come now, you rich, weep and howl for your miseries that are coming upon you! ²Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten. ³Your gold and silver are corroded, and their corrosion will be a witness against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have heaped up

treasures in the last days. ⁴Indeed the wages of the labourers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out; and the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord... ³Your gold and silver are corroded, and their corrosion will be a witness against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have heaped up treasure in the last days (James 5:1-4 NKJV).

The money that I sow, and the money that I keep, it speaks - talking about *Kingdom Finances*, for us to come out of the world system. If I obey God, my money speaks for me. If I disobey God, and I misuse finances, I'm not a good steward. Money is speaking against me.

I say: I use my money in a righteous way to have the right voice so that it will testify and speak on my behalf.

In the New Testament, everything is about the heart. God is looking at my heart. Everything that I do, everything that I give has a definite motive behind it.

²³Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift. ²⁴Stop your giving. Stop your giving right there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift (Matthew 5:23, 24 NKJV)

²⁵Agree with your adversary quickly, while you are on the way with him, lest your adversary deliver you to the judge...²⁵the judge hand you over to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. ²⁶Assuredly, I say to you, you will by no means get out of there till you have paid the last penny (Matthew 5:25, 26 NKJV).

Whatever is in your heart will testify about the reasons and the motives for giving.

Job was a man who lived in Uz. He was honest inside and out, a man of his word, who was totally devoted to God and hated evil with a passion. ²He had seven sons and three daughters. ³He was also very wealthy - seven thousand head of sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred teams of oxen, five hundred donkeys, and a huge staff of servants - the most influential man in all the East! (Job 1:1-3 MSG)

⁴Now Job's sons used to take turns hosting parties in their homes, always inviting their three sisters to join them in their merrymaking. ⁵When the parties were over, Job would get up early in the morning and sacrifice a burnt offering for each of his children, thinking, "Maybe one of them sinned by defying God inwardly." Job made a habit of this sacrificial atonement, just in case they'd sinned (Job 1:4-5 MSG).

Job brought offerings to the Lord because there was fear in his heart. Fear that his children had many parties and maybe they had sinned. A wrong motive in the heart, fear, and he's mixing it with a gift. And the accuser came. What is the motive in my heart, attached to my giving?

I say: God wants me to come and worship Him because I love Him. He is my source. If something is wrong with my heart, I do not release my money. God loves a cheerful giver.

When I come to give, you know that all that God is belongs to me. He is not withholding a thing from me. I come with my faith and full confidence and then when I sow, I praise God. When I sow my offering in the basket, I can't stop rejoicing because, I understand the power of a seed.

Everything about my and your life is individual and corporate, and you can never ever separate the two from one another. I have a great impact on one another, on the place where I am planted, and in the things that God wants to do in the earth.

It's important where I am planted because I represent that place. I have authority in that place. ¹Behold, I send My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me. And the Lord [the Messiah], Whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; the Messenger or Angel of the covenant, Whom you desire, behold, He shall come, says the Lord of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. ³He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and He will purify the priests, and the sons of Levi, He will refine them.

I say: God is dealing with my heart. He's dealing with motives in my life.

³He will come and He will purify the priests, the sons of Levi, and refine them, Like gold and silver, that they may offer to the Lord offerings in righteousness (Malachi 3:1-3). God says here He will take His people through a massive purifying process, so their hearts can be right; so that they can bring the Lord an offering in righteousness.

I say: The purifying process is to empower me to bring an offering that is and has the right testimony to it. ⁴Then will the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in ancient years.

I say: I bring offerings in righteousness with the right motive.

⁵Then I will draw near to you for judgment; I God, will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against the false swearers, and against those who oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, and who turn aside the temporary resident from his right and fear not Me, says the Lord.

"You come to me in the right way and I will draw near," and I will be swift to witness against these things that are happening in your communities. And I will come near to you for judgment rendering a verdict, says God.

God says when my people bring offerings in righteousness; it will be used as a testimony on their behalf that will allow Me, God to bring judgment on those things, those works of darkness in those places they live.

²²But you have come to Mount Zion the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to the multitude of angels, ²³ to the general assembly of the church. (Hebrews 12:22, 23)

I say: what I do with my money affects my life, but it affects the places that God gave me the authority over, and what I do with my money affects one another.

What we do with our money and stuff is going to determine if we are going to take our cities and our communities.

⁴Indeed the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out; and the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord (James 5:4 NKJV).

Jesus sent out the twelve apostles with these instructions: “Don’t go to the Gentiles or the Samaritans, but only to the people of Israel—God’s lost sheep. Go and announce to them that the Kingdom of Heaven is near. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cure those with leprosy, and cast out demons. Give as freely as you have received! (Matthew 10:5-11 NLT).

...Heal the sick, raise the dead, cure those with leprosy, and cast out demons. Don’t take any money in your money belts—no gold, silver, or even copper coins. Don’t carry a traveler’s bag with a change of clothes and sandals or even a walking stick. Don’t hesitate to accept hospitality, because those who work deserve to be fed. “Whenever you enter a city” search for a worthy person and stay in his home until you leave town. When you enter the home, give it your blessing. If it turns out to be a worthy home, let your blessing stand; if it is not, take back the blessing.

I do not have the anointing on my own life to take myself to the Promised Land, I must have a Moses – “I will give you the fivefold ministry in the New Testament.”

If their hearts are open and they bring you the blessing, if that happens, bless them but if they reject you walk away from them as though there is nothing from them that you even remember (Matthew 23:37 NKJV).

³⁷“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often, I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under *her* wings, but you were unwilling (Matthew 23:37 NKJV).

¹⁷Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch over your souls. (Hebrews 13:17)

God is leading us and our financial resources do not only affect us personally, but also our cities and our nation. We have the authority as the Ecclesia to release a testimony before the Lord that gives Him the right to move on our behalf. This is the very nature of government.

I say: If I live righteous before God, He is going to get the cities, He is going to get this nation, He is going to get everything with the word, the message, sound and song – God says: I am looking for a people.

What originates from God continuous on as God – we will see that God takes the first place and best in our lives, first in our life, first in our neighbourhood, first in our families, and first in prayer. Pastor John said, *“This is strategic for us this is a strategic time and you know – this is a Word that God gave us for 2021. Do you see it in the spirit?”*

God said, it is time for the collective greatness, join hands in prayer, join hands in faith, join hands in the process, understand these things about money and resources because now God is allowing us to press in for the big things to come into the material world because we are about to take down big cities, some big spiritual fortifications, that have stood in our way for a very long time – in the way of our church and the church of our Lord Jesus Christ.