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BUILDERS OF THE TABERNACLE

Those from among you shall build the old waste places; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; and you shall be called the Repairer of the Breach, the Restorer of Streets to dwell in.
ISAIAH 58:12

The outworking of Moses' Tabernacle is a template for those who want to deepen their spiritual perception of ministry. Everything we consider MINISTRY must be evaluated through HOW it fits in rebuilding His Tabernacle in the earth.

God gave Moses a plan to build a visible STRUCTURE and dwelt with them in the Ark of the Covenant.

David sought a deeper relationship with God and found the second dimensional place through WORSHIP. He prepared everything his son Solomon would need to build the Temple. David literally means 'beloved.' The tabernacle of David is the 'House of the Beloved.'

Jesus, the son of David, went to prepare a place for us—we rebuild the Tabernacle through His Body.

= TABERNACLE OF DAVID

On that day I will raise up the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down, and repair its damages; I will raise up its ruins, and rebuild it as in the days of old.
AMOS 9:11

'After this I will return And will rebuild the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down; I will rebuild its ruins, And I will set it up; So that the rest of mankind may seek the Lord, Even all the Gentiles who are called by My name, Says the Lord who does all these things.' "Known to God from eternity are all His works."
ACTS 15:16-18

In the interim between Shiloh and Solomon's Temple, David erected a tent that housed the Ark of God. James used this scripture to speak of ministry rebuilding the tabernacle in our day.

David's Tabernacle was profound:

- David's Tabernacle incorporated musical instruments
- Both men and women ministered in music and prayer
- Worship, music, songs and prayers went up before the Ark of God twenty four hours a day
- Ministry was also chosen by talent and gifting—not just limited to the tribe of Levi. (Although of the tribe of Judah—David ministered as a priest before the Lord when the Ark of God returned to Israel.)

= **MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD**

...Members of the household of God ... Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. **EPHESIANS 2:20**

The rebuilding of the tabernacle comprises our ministry in the Body of Christ.

Gifts are given by God to inspire and motivate how we OPERATE in ministry. Although our charismatic gifting influences 'how' we accomplish our purpose—it's our FUNCTION in the Body that defines our ministry.

Rebuilding the Tabernacle of David means we not only understand the significance of what our fathers built in past generations, but we also develop our own personal relationship with God. We seek excellence.

= **MEASURE OF RULE**

But to each one of you grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift **EPHESIANS 4:7**

Jesus calculated a particular measure of grace for each of us according to our function in His Body. Rebuilding the tabernacle incorporates our portion of ministry that makes up the Body of Christ.

God says, *"I have called you by name. You are mine."* The word 'name' implies our position, classification or measure of rule *"Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God!"* We are the 'beloved' of the

Lord. God has called us by name—our position, classification or measure of rule is as the SONS of God! That includes our calling to function in ministry.

In David's Tabernacle a new order of ministry emerged. Today those rebuilding the Tabernacle of the Beloved are not limited to professional status, gender or race. All the redeemed of the Lord serve in the tabernacle of God.

= **STAND IN THE GAP**

So I sought for a man among them who would make a wall, and stand in the gap before Me on behalf of the land, that I should not destroy it, but I found no one.

EZEKIEL 22:30

You stand in the gap by rebuilding the Tabernacle of David. You move beyond religion to reconnect to 'who you are' in Christ—fulfilling His plan for your life.

Wilderness places are outstanding schools of training. David's mighty men of valor first came out to him in the wilderness and attached themselves to him. They were outcasts of religion—they could not participate in the worship of the temple, so they looked for someone who would advance the cause for restoration.

Some were too weary to fight and he made “*a statute and an ordinance for Israel—as his part is who goes down to the battle, so shall his part be who stays by the supplies, they shall share alike.*” David didn't divide the weak from the strong, but rather rallied them all together to the greater PURPOSE of God in the earth.

David made PREPARATIONS for the House of God. He separated some for officers, judges, gatekeepers and those who praised the Lord with musical instruments. Later in the Book of the Acts a deacon will be as mighty as an apostle. Philip served tables but was as powerful in the Spirit as an apostle or prophet.

Future generations call on the “*sure mercies of David,*”—grateful that no one is left behind in the Beloved.

= **GIFTED ARTISANS**

I have filled them with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, to design artistic works... and I have put wisdom in the hearts of all the gifted artisans.

EXODUS 31:3-7

God already GIFTED you for ministry. Notice God clarified that the operation of your gifting resulted from understanding your purpose. He gave you the means of fulfilling your purpose in your gifting.

Yet God QUALIFIED ministry—“*Moses called Bezalel and Aholiab, and every gifted artisan in whose heart the Lord had put wisdom, everyone whose heart was STIRRED, to*

come and do the work.” EARNEST is fervent desire—it’s the motivation to WANT TO DO THE WORK.

Gifted Artisans possess the ability and willingness to do the work of the Tabernacle—they’re resolved to see the work accomplished that establishes their ministry in His House.

= **SEEK OUT FROM AMONG YOU**

Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word." **ACTS 6**

There was a crisis in the Church of Jerusalem—some of the Greeks complained that their widows were neglected in ministry. The ministry of the saints was challenged to become more effective. They chose good men to do the work and the conflict was settled.

But an astonishing thing happened—when they took care of business, it caused a spiritual revival that shook the city! *“THEN the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.”*

The Word of God SPREAD when the basic elements of ministry were set in place. Proper Order allowed for the Word of God to THRIVE. Even priests of the Law were converted by the order of God’s House—they became part of the rebuilding.

= **BUILDERS OF THE TABERNACLE**

When the nation of Israel was faced with a challenge—Nehemiah faced God in intercessory prayer for restoration ... like Abraham, Moses, Joshua, etc. did in their day.

Today we choose to come into greater order by becoming BUILDERS of the Tabernacle in the Body of Christ. God used Moses a shepherd to build His Tabernacle; Nehemiah a cupbearer to rebuild the wall; David a shepherd to design His future House; ... but how shall God work through you? Are you a builder?

What did God show you to do?

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