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Kingdom Principles - the language, government and culture of the Kingdom of God.

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God these are sons of God." Being led by the Spirit means we discern God's guidance and 'walk the talk'—His Word having power in our lives. We look for God in what is happening because we truly believe that *He is working everything out together for our good according to His purpose.* Being led by the Spirit enables us to recognize the operation of God in our lives. He communicates His purpose to us through our spiritual gifting.

God programmed our success and endowed us with the spiritual gifts, aptitudes and abilities necessary to accomplish our destiny. The Apostle Paul testifies *that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge ... so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ.* Those expecting to see Jesus' manifest will perceive Him through their giftings—it's the demonstration of divine grace operating in the earth.

The Apostle Paul makes three distinctions in the spiritual order of Kingdom Principles: *There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.*

GIFTS: The Spirit governs the Gifts in their measure and in the manner He chooses to speak to us. The language of the Spirit is the expression of God's

purpose to us. He speaks through particular gifts—articulating in spiritual language what is happening in heaven. That's why in Exodus the gifted artisans could build the articles of furniture according to the heavenly pattern—they saw the pattern! Through our particular gifting, we likewise comprehend the heavenly pattern, and understanding the spiritual language of the Kingdom—we model Christ!

MINISTRIES: All Ministries are governed by the Lord and should exemplify His pattern of submission to the Heavenly Father. The function we have in the Body of Christ for serving God is governed by ordering the generations from father to son—the mission and purpose of 'His Christ' fulfilled through perpetual generations. Ministry sets a course for obeying the heavenly vision.

OPERATIONS: God governs the Activities of the Church. Therefore operations and activities are always subject to His will and unction. The activities of God are how His plans are put into operation in the Church. We cannot make something happen at our meetings because we think it should happen. God governs the activities of the Church and manifests His plan according to *His* discretion—and the true demonstration of divine power is in operation!

"God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son." Jesus is revealed in the activities of the Early Church. Luke preserves this historical account for us by writing His testimony of divine intervention in a Gospel and Acts as a record of Jesus' spiritual activity. Others also were gifted by the Spirit to write—forever archiving the gifts, ministry and operation of God in the Early Church.

God revealed His purpose in many different ways ... at times through an audible or inward voice ... and at other times through visions and dreams, etc. The distinct ways in which He communicated was usually the mode He used for the operation of His gifts 'through' them. If He generally spoke to them in dreams, then He would use a particular gift of His Spirit to speak direction in their dreams. If He normally expressed His will through dramatic illustrations then God would use that method to articulate

a prophetic word as He did through the prophet Agabus. *When he had come to us, he took Paul's belt, bound his own hands and feet and said, "Thus says the Holy Spirit, 'So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man who owns this belt, and deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.'*"

There should always be an expectancy to behold Jesus through the customary ways He communicates with us. This anticipation of God speaking to us in His usual manner is evidenced in the life of the Prophet Daniel—who on the verge of death calmly falls asleep to learn the answer to the king's difficult demand. Daniel was aware of how God operated in him, so he was confident that while he was sleeping—God would reveal the forgotten dream of King Nebuchadnezzar and its interpretation. When Daniel speaks to the king, he acknowledges God's hand in all that happened.

Daniel learned the language, government and culture of a foreign kingdom and ruled and reigned successfully as its Governor. It is in studying the life of Daniel that we discover a similarity between the language, government and culture of his foreign kingdom and the gifts, ministries and operations of our Kingdom. There is a progression and development in establishing the Principles that personally affects our measure of rule. If we want to rule and reign in the Kingdom of our heavenly Father, then we need to learn Kingdom Principles.

We are written epistles expounding the language, government and the activity of the Holy Spirit in the Modern Day Church through the gifts, ministries and operations of God manifesting in us. *"Clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart."* God programmed and edited your written copy. He's dotted every 'i' and crossed every 't'—nothing's missing! God not only made you complete but also the express image of His Christ! He spiritually endowed you with the best gifts for your ministry—including ample operational abilities ... and then sealed you with an anointing to reach your destiny!

Paul thought it important that the Gentiles understood each of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. He writes; *now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant.* Paul lets them know that they really had once

been ignorant or they would not have been led around by dumb idols—even getting carried away with what they did! The good news of their enlightenment is that now they are led by the Spirit and submitted to Jesus as Lord! Paul further explains that comprehending the spiritual language was an essential principle to their living successfully in the Kingdom of God. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are a divine illumination of power, ability and knowledge—revealing the language of the Kingdom through nine different types of heavenly communication.

"To one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills."

Many do not know who they are— ignorant of what they has been divinely encoded in their program since the foundation of the world to achieve! Consequently they do not walk boldly in God. Some lack the confidence to exercise their gift because it seems insignificant compared with someone else. Others have no idea where their strengths lie and spend their entire lives dabbling in one thing or another trying to find identity and purpose. There is nothing wrong with this approach unless we measure our success by our initial attempts—and discouraged, we give up long before our gifting and measure of rule are perfected in us. We need to follow the leading of the Spirit through to the completion of our ministry so that we accomplish the finished works of Christ.

It seems that in our search for perfection that we have separated our spiritual giftings from our natural talents. If we comprehend that *it is God who works in us both to will and to do of His good pleasure*, then we should acknowledge every area of proficiency and forte as divine ability and anointing enhancing our spiritual endowments. Those who grasp a connection concerning how they operate and function in God with what they have a 'knack' for or 'bend' towards in talent or ability usually are very bold in the spiritual realm— manifesting their gifts through

drama, singing, writings, mime, dance, poetry, testimonies, arts, music ... etc. Their gifting in the spiritual realm is not restricted solely to Church on Sunday or their Prayer Time, but rather they are in touch with Him in every function of life, whether it is the workplace, their leisure activities or even where they shop and eat. They are confident, whole and complete in Christ and gloriously manifest the Kingdom of God in the earth.

The challenge has been given to our generation to know Kingdom Principles through learning its language, government and culture. In our diligent pursuit to carry out the rubbish that has tragically accumulated over many years of disrepair, we not only reopened the doors of God's House but also retrieved oil for the Lamp—spiritually breaking a secret code that kept us in darkness until now! We sanctified the House of God by bringing our generations into ministry order and when we began to operate in the 'works of God,' *the song of the LORD also began*—and the light of His purpose dawned in our hearts and manifested in *a demonstration of the Spirit and of power!*

If we learn to interpret the heavenly language that is expressed through His spiritual gifts, then we will successfully communicate the riches of the Knowledge of Christ to perpetual generations ... passing on to our sons not only a lit torch but also access to doors swung wide open to vast Kingdom possibilities!

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