

# THE COAST IS CLEAR

## Preparing for Takeoff Sermon Series

**Philippians 3:12-14**

**Isaiah 40:31**

### **1 Peter 5:6-7 NLT**

“So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honor. Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.”

- Am I willing to sacrifice my wants first what spiritually NEED?
- What kind of effect have my past experiences had on my growth?
- Am I anxious or patient?
- Do I Understand that I'm subject to God's timing, not vise versa?
- Which do I desire more, God's face or his hand?
- Have I identified my triggers and am I willing to change?

### **Sunday we Declared that**

In order for God to take you up, You have to gain Momentum and in order to gain momentum you have to be in alignment with his word..

++++++

### **Spiritual Recalibration is Required for Takeoff**

**If I want to experience the best year of my life, I have to go through**

### **Spiritual Recalibration**

#### **Spiritual recalibration**

- The intentional process of adjusting your lifestyle and thought process, and focusing back on aligning with God's perfect will for your life (Ex. like resetting a compass to find true north)
- Spiritual Recalibration requires
  - Praying
  - Fasting
  - Self Reflection
  - Detachment from the World and it's distractions
  - This will Reset your priorities for your assignment and restore your peace

## Isaiah 40:31

But those who wait on the Lord  
Shall renew *their* strength;  
They shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
They shall run and not be weary,  
They shall walk and not faint.

+++++

## Correlation

This scripture correlates Waiting on God with Renewing Strength  
It then goes on to say these things will result in “Mounting Up”

## Def of Mount Up -

to get on something like a horse or bike, often used as a command to start riding. It signifies growing in number, size, or intensity over time

Then it talks about running & Walking....

Which means .....

**This is the year I WILL Finally Progress!!!**

**I will No Longer Be in the same place I have been**

+++++

+++++

# 2026 Is about to Be the Best Year of My Life

# **2026 is my “MOUNT UP” YEAR**

+++++

## The “Mount Up”

Is classified as a period of time that God rewards our stillness and waiting period with supernatural Exponential Growth.

The best part about The “Mount Up” is that it doesn’t have to last for only one season. Our continuous decision to spend a long time with God without being influenced by the world can result in continuous growth in areas of our lives that produce the fruits of the spirit, as well as the unmerited favor of God in our natural lives.

Eventually, our continuous decision to “Mount Up” will produce a lifestyle that attracts others to want to make the same sacrifice we did.

It will also populate a new body of believers that exemplify the life and behaviors that Jesus called us to live as his disciples.

Tonight The word to take home is...

++++++

**2026 is My “Mount Up” Year  
(High Five Your Neighbor and say)  
And the Coast is Clear**

++++++

**Subject  
THE COAST IS CLEAR**

What is it that has been holding you back from being a productive BEING.

### **Philippians 3:12-14**

**12** I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me.

**13** No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it,[a] but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead,

**14** I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

### **The Coast is Clear**

**Now is the time that you must decide that your past will no longer be baggage!**

**From now on, I will either stop dwelling on it, or use it as the fuel I need to progress!**

When Joseph finally saw his brothers for the first time he embraced them.

After all they had done to him, God needed time to heal his heart and rewrite the narrative.

His brothers didn't sell him into slavery, they actually sold him into freedom....

Free for God to do what he wanted to do with him

We often feel like we are in bondage when we are really in boot camp

God had to make sure that when he called Joseph to MOUNT UP, that his past would not ever get in the way of the man God was about to bless

The other day we referred to parallel parking.  
We talked about how some of us have been parked in the same spot for years.  
Why?

++++++

**We did not have the faith to Pull out and we did not have the spiritual discipline to look back.**

In order for God to get you out of your rut/parking spot this year

+++++

# You must be spiritually disciplined enough to **Check your blind spots**

## Def of Blind Spot

A car's blind spot is any area around the vehicle that you can't see directly or through your mirrors, usually to the rear sides, caused by pillars, headrests, or the vehicle's structure, requiring a quick head turn (shoulder check) to ensure it's clear before changing lanes or merging to avoid accidents.

## **Spiritual Def of Blind Spot**

The area of your life that causes a wreck every time the enemy attacks you there and you can NEVER see it coming...

## AKA...: Your triggers

In 2026, the Coast is Clear...  
When we decide to obey the perfect will for our lives...  
God will remove the blind spots!!

The triggers will NO LONGER bother you anymore.  
Things that used to tick you off will supernaturally no longer bother you!

## **Luke 10:19 NLT**

“Look, I have given you authority over all the power of the enemy, and you can walk among snakes and scorpions and crush them. Nothing will injure you.”

In 2026, as God makes the Coast Clear...  
As God Recalibrates you for a successful flight  
As God removes the blind spots...

+++++

**He wants to transition your past from baggage to fuel  
In order for this to happen...  
We must change the posture of our prayers and we  
must filter what comes from our mouth.**

1. Stop spending prayer time Complaining
2. Stop spending more time complaining about the obstacle than you do praying for it. (And don't try and use the excuse of “talking about it is how I process...”) why? Because you processing it is causing you to speak negatively and the Devil is the King of Illusions and Hypotheticals...your processing turns into you cursing yourself from talking too much...
3. Find the way to testify about your past from a stance of victory
4. Finally realize that your Past is what made you eligible for what God is about to do! (Sow in tears-reap in joy; Psalm 126

## **(Transition)**

In the book of John, John recorded that There was a man that had been lame for 38 years. He would sit day and night by the pool of Bethesda..

And one day Jesus was passing by and knew he had been sick for a long time.

Jesus asked him, do u wanna be healed?

The man began to complain about how he never makes it to the water to be healed fast enough (Preach)

He stopped him and said (I don't care about none of that....) GET YOUR MAT UP AND WALK!

++++++

**This year... your ability to progress is based on your  
decision to stop Complaining & OBEY**

Some of yall think he healed him for one reason.. but I think it was because he didn't wanna hear him complain anymore

His heart posture was bitterness and un forgiveness

And it didn't say he was born with the ailment which means it came later in life from a possible result of sin

But God decided that day he would cure him from his past to fuel him for his future!

**Sunday we declared that  
This is the year I WILL Finally Progress!!!  
I will No Longer Be in the same place I have been**

### **Hebrews 10:35-36 NLT**

“So do not throw away this confident trust in the Lord. Remember the great reward it brings you! Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God’s will. Then you will receive all that he has promised.”

(Transition)

++++++

### **The Favor of the Mount Up**

- Fruits of the Spirit
- Unmerited Favor
- True unwavering Faith
- Security in the identity God has given us
- Spiritual Boldness to obey God & be his vessel
- Keeps us spiritually calibrated with God’s voice and direction
- Frees us from the bondage of our past and rewrites the trauma and triggers into fuel & fire
- Lastly, it’s the only possible way to experience, exponential growth as believers – resulting in supernatural results in a short period of time.

Be free and don't worry..

God doesn't call his people to "Isolate" that term can be toxic

### **But God calls his children to**

- Solitude: Being alone by choice, enjoying the quiet for reflection and rejuvenation, fostering self-discovery.

- Seclusion/Withdrawal: A deliberate separation from others to focus inward, find peace, or gain perspective, promoting inner stability.
- Contemplation: Deep, thoughtful reflection during isolation, leading to insights and personal growth.
- Self-Reliance/Independence: Gaining strength from not needing external validation, building confidence and autonomy.
- Quietude: A state of stillness and calm found in isolation, allowing one to hear their inner self and develop courage.

(Alter Call)

## 2026 Mandate

- In order for you to mount up this year, you must be willing to be still. Stillness is essential for the growth that many of us desire.
- To remove the temptation of moving too fast and getting ahead of God's plan, you must be willing to separate yourself from the world.
  - You must be willing to turn off social media
  - You must be okay with not attending every social gathering you are invited to
  - You must be willing to develop a prayer life that is consistent and includes sitting still to hear God's voice
- Many of the decisions, God is calling us to WILL DEFY culture in many ways. The stillness that God requires this year will make you more confident in the direction that God is giving to experience the results and favor of the "Mount Up."
- Realize you are running your own race...not someone else's!
- The more time you spend at the Feet of Jesus and serving his Kingdom, the more you will finally grow and be healed of what has kept you bound!