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MEETING THE NEED

THE SEAT OF EXPECTATION SERIES

SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE

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Every week we have looked at this scripture, because we need to shift our expectations.

Psalm 62:5-6 KJV - [5] My soul, wait thou only upon God; For my expectation is from him. [6] He only is my rock and my salvation: He is my defence; I shall not be moved.

- No one owes you anything
- Your expectation is from God alone and since You know it's from Him you will not waver

Today we talk about sitting in the seat of expectation where a need is going to be met. Look at the prophet Elisha and how God is enlarging his territory. Elisha is who Elijah picked up. God brought Elisha's name up

2 Kings 2:15 NIV - The company of the prophets from Jericho, who were watching, said, "The spirit of Elijah is resting on Elisha." And they went to meet him and bowed to the ground before him.

- Keep up with the oil God promised you
- You are anointed for this
- People are watching you whether you know it or not
- You will see the results of what you asked for
- You have double on you and you will see results

When you study the difference between Elijah and Elisha you see Elisha was more popular with the people. He had a greater name, but he had double the work. The oil will prepare you for what you have to go through to get double. God will not use you and hide you from people. People are drawn to your anointing. You have to be more dependent on the Lord to deal with your assignment.

- Continue to seek the more of God and not things
- Double requires more of God
- People may not like you, but they will have to respect your anointing

THE NEED

2 Kings 6:1 NIV - The company of the prophets said to Elisha, "Look, the place where we meet with you is too small for us."

- Your increase is a need
- God is allowing you to be uncomfortable to get comfortable

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- You need more space to address the larger need
- God is stretching you, this is not a problem it is a need
- Increase should never be a problem
- God is about to give you a plan
- You have the capacity to handle the expansion

What areas of your life is God trying to expand you? Are you yielding to the process? If not, why?

THE SOLUTION TO MEET THE NEED

2 Kings 6:2-3 NIV - [2] Let us go to the Jordan, where each of us can get a pole; and let us build a place there for us to meet." And he said, "Go." [3] Then one of them said, "Won't you please come with your servants?" "I will," Elisha replied. [4] And he went with them. They went to the Jordan and began to cut down trees.

- Get around people that will help you make room for more
- You need solution-minded people around you
- Get around people who can see now and the future
- You must make room for what is next, you must get involved
- Partner with those who are willing to work
- Get from around dead weight choose your circle wisely
- Your next is not going to come without some sweat

When you see a need, how do you handle it? Who are you partnering with?

ORDER OF SERVICE TO MEET THE NEED:

* THEY IDENTIFY THE NEED

* GIVE A SOLUTION

* SEEK APPROVAL TO MEET THE NEED

* COMMIT THEMSELVES INTO FIXING IT

* SOLICIT THE COVERING

* ALL IN!!!!!!!!!!

- You cannot meet the need by yourself
- God will send you help to meet the need
- Don't be discouraged by what you see

Have you identified the need and are you all in to meet the need? What is the solution?

THE PROBLEMS THAT COME WITH MEETING THE NEED

2 Kings 6:5 NIV - *As one of them was cutting down a tree, the iron ax head fell into the water.*

"Oh no, my lord!" he cried out. "It was borrowed!"

- If you were doing nothing there would be no problems
- God knew you could handle the problems that came with this
- "You don't have any trouble.. all you need is faith in God" -Rev. R.W. Schambach
- Whenever you start working on a need there will be problems
- God will supply all your needs

When faced with perceived problems, how do you pivot to still be able to meet the need?

THE PROBLEM COMES TO DO THE FOLLOWING

* **STOP THE WORK**

* **SLOW DOWN THE WORK**

* **DISCOURAGE THE WORKER**

* **COST MORE FOR THE WORK**

* **OR MAKE ROOM FOR A MIRACLE!!**

LAZARUS

John 11:4 NIV - *When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it."*

- The bigger your problem the bigger your miracle
- The problem had a purpose, God will be glorified through it
- Your problem will not end in death
- Face your problems and point to God where you need help

Did your problem stop you, slow you down, discourage you, cost you more, or make room for a miracle? What does the problem of Lazarus and Jesus' response to the problem teach you?

THE SUPERNATURAL TO FIX THE PROBLEM

2 Kings 6:6-7 NIV -[6] *The man of God asked, "Where did it fall?" When he showed him the place, Elisha cut a stick and threw it there, and made the iron float. [7] "Lift it out," he said. Then the man reached out his hand and took it.*

- Even problems that appear small are important to God, give Him the small things

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- Confront the issue and get ready to reach for your miracle
- Though your problem is big, with God, it's not hard to fix
- The enemy came with a problem while you were working on a need
- You cannot solve a problem that is a need without God

What prevents you from taking all things to God? What are some ways you learn to take all things to God?

MOSES — Raise your staff

WIDOW — Pour the little oil until the jars run out

SERVANTS — Fill the barrels with water

PETER — Cast your net

- You have to reach for it
- You cannot wait on someone else to do it

What do you need to reach for?

THIS IS NOT A PROBLEM BUT A NEED!!!!!!!

Philippians 4:19 NIV - And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

- God is into your needs, not your problems
- God's supply never runs out
- Let your supplies be released through your praise
- Whatever you stand in need of, God is about to supply it
- He would not let you start something and let you fail

Reflect over your life, what needs have God already met? Based on this track record, what needs do you believe He will meet now?

QUESTION

What have you been thinking of as a problem that you now realize is a need?

DECLARATION

I trust that God will do the supernatural and meet my needs.

PRAYER

Father God, I thank You for being the supplier of all my needs. You have never neglected to take

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*care of me. Your track record is impeccable and I know that it is because of You that **every** need has been fulfilled. I thank You for those You have given me to partner with. I will not allow problems to stop me, slow me down, discourage or cost me precious time. I will continue to work and praise You in Jesus' name, Amen!*