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WE BRING OUR GIFTS: OUR SPACE

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SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE

What is God trying to say at the end of this year? Where is He trying to place you that He waited until this time to give you God instructions?

Think about what it took for Jesus to be birthed into the earth. Mary was the body. She had to make sure she had a connection with someone with a God sense because God will speak through your connection. Joseph was the connection she needed and that a God sent. God gave her the miracle to carry but He gave Joseph the instructions. The manger was the space used. Someone had to be willing to offer up their space for God. Say to God your space is available for use. When God uses the space it's not for the spotlight but for God to be glorified.

The space that God has provided cannot be broken into, but you have to willingly give Him space so He can be glorified. The space is not a wasteland as it may have appeared. *What area of your life do you have space that God wants to use?*

THIS WILL BE YOUR RECORD BREAKING YEAR.

*Luke 2:4-6 NIV - [4] So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. [5] He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. [6] While they were there, **the time** came for the baby to be born,*

- God is going to produce what He said He would
- You're in the right place at the right time
- You need someone spiritual at your table
- He needs to use your space for him to be glorified
- Stop trying to send God somewhere else when He is knocking on your door
- You have been prepared for every "no" you have received
- God has cleared the way for you to bring forth the miracle
- Remember lambs are not birthed in suites, but in mangers
- God is placing you in the right conditions to birth your gift

What are you willing to give God to birth your miracle?

1. THE TIME

*Luke 2:6 NIV - While they were there, **the time** came for the baby to be born,*

- Your steps are ordered by God even when it's uncomfortable
- You can't let anyone make you feel like it's not coming to pass
- The "no" does not dictate the promise
- Panic can make you miss your timing
- It's the perfect time to use what you have
- Your atmosphere might not match your promise, but it's still God
- You are about to bring forth what has been ordained by God
- God's timing is everything

What is happening in your life now? What has God asked you to do while everything else is happening?

Ecclesiastes 3:1 NIV - There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:

- Delay does not mean denial
- The only way you move is under pressure
- Pressure has been allowed to birth your promise at the right place and at the right time
- The enemy is coming, so raise your weapon of prayer and praise
- What he did not do in ten years he can do in one day
- You can be doing the right thing at the wrong time; timing is important

What did you want to happen previously, that is finally happening now? What does this teach you about timing?

2.THE AVAILABILITY

Luke 2:7 NIV - and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

- Make space for what's coming
- Even when everyone said no God had a prepared place
- God needs you to tell Him yes
- The challenge is for you to depend on God and not yourself
- If God knocks on your door He also brings everything you need to obey Him
- There is a Divine connection coming

Are you willing to give God the yes he is looking for or does it come with conditions for you?What are some ways you can be more available to God?

3. THE SPACE

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- Your room does not match the promise
- The atmosphere will change with your position
- Your space is not like everyone else
- You're about to go in-sound the alarm
- The time is now and the answer is yes

Your yes is bringing this question to you - "tell Me what you want God?" Your answer cannot be a lateral move. What are some ways you can cultivate space for God in your life?

THE SPACES

THE BARN -YOUR SPACES

- Imperfect space that looks like a mess
- Your mess is about to turn into a message
- Your testimony will testify of God's glory in your life
- You don't look like what you've been through
- There should be a praise that match your mess
- Your praise is a reflection of my breakthrough

How can you make your space available to God despite the current +mess? Do you have a barn to palace praise?

THE BAG - YOUR LIMITED RESOURCES

John 6:9 NIV - "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

- God knows how he is going to hook you up
- The smaller your bag the bigger your basket will be
- It's the small bags that carry the house
- You can't graduate from the bag to the basket until you thank him
- You have to release what's in your bag
- What's in your bag is going to satisfy everybody; it valuable

What do you possess that youview as small or limited? How can God use your small or limited resources? What are some ways you use your resources to glorify God?

THE BOAT - YOUR BUSINESS/SKILL

Luke 5:3 NIV - He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

- God is coming into your boat
- God used the boat that caught nothing to catch the overflow
- Let God do what he want to do with your business/skill set
- Everything you are going through is teaching others
- Drop your net and do what don't make sense

What is preventing you from letting God on your boat? What skill set/business can you give God permission to use?

THE BOX - YOUR PRAISE

Luke 7:37 NIV - A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume.

- Will you give God a praise no one else is willing to give Him?
- Everybody left the same but the ya lady with the alabaster box
- The value of the box could not be denied when she opened the box
- She was willing to give what she had of value to worship
- She slipped in to worship while everyone else was distracted.

How can you make room for God to come in? What is in your box, that you can give God?

QUESTION

How can you let God come into the spaces of your life to be glorified?

DECLARATION

I will give God the spaces in my life to do what he wants to do. I will make room for God!

PRAYER

Father God, forgive me for being negligent in my time, availability and space dedicated to You. I surrender my heart, mind, and spirit to You. I promise to make time and space for You to submerge Yourself in my life, my plans, and all that I do. I am available for You to use me for Your glory. I place You at the center of my heart. I will release what You tell me to release, I will go where You tell me to go and I will do what You tell me to do in Jesus' name, Amen!