

2024



GOD'S WAY
THE SEAT OF EXPECTATION SERIES

SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE

When expecting a miracle, the expectation of manifestation is aimed at God. This is the year that it will come forth. You have to learn to place your expectations on God and not people.

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.

- Put your hope in God
- Only God can do it for you
- A double minded man is unstable in all his ways -expect your miracle

What are you expecting God to do?

Isaiah 55:8-9 NIV - [8] "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. [9] "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

- The way God is going to do it is not how you would do it
- The way God thinks is not how you think
- God is not going to lower his standards to make you happy
- God is making you come up higher
- Examine where you are and commit to the process of God taking you to another level
- Leap year has an extra day in it for God to do it for you

Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV - [5] Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; [6] in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight

- Let God do it His way; your way is not beneficial
- Don't settle for your present
- God will not use what you expect Him to use to do it
- God is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that you ask or think

Recall a time in your life when you deviate from what God said and did things your way. What was it? What happened? How did this affect your trust in God?

Today we look at someone that didn't stop expecting. We will learn that God's way is not our way. Everything he thought God would use was not how God helped. Your

next is going to be different from what you have already done or anything you have already seen.

THE RESUME

2 Kings 5:1 NIV-Now Naaman was commander of the army of the king of Aram. He was a great man in the sight of his master and highly regarded, because through him the Lord had given victory to Aram. He was a valiant soldier, but he had leprosy.

- Commander
- Great Man
- Highly regarded
- God-given victories

BUT HE HAD LEPROSY

1. SKIN DISEASE
2. CAUSED YOU TO BE ISOLATED FROM SOCIETY
3. HAD TO WEAR LEPROSY GARMENTS
4. HAD TO CONFESS HE WAS UNCLEAN
 - You can have a great resume and still have issues
 - Your 'but' is making you feel like you're being held back
 - You have victory, but no push
 - This is the year he is about to change your confession
 - God is about to flip your situation

What has happened in your life that caused you to self isolate?

WHAT HE EXPECTED TO WORK

- Your expectations are not beneficial to your miracle
- Applaud God for what you've accomplished, but be open to how He will do it this time
- God is going to blow your mind

THE REFERRALS

2 Kings 5:5a-6 NIV - [5a] "By all means, go," the king of Aram replied. "I will send a letter to the king of Israel." [6] The letter that he took to the king of Israel read: "With this letter I am sending my servant Naaman to you so that you may cure him of his leprosy."

- Who you know will not work
- Your connections will not bring your healing
- Your credit score or finances will not work; you can't buy a miracle
- Some people don't have certificates and degrees but have faith
- God is going to do it with favor

Whose name have you used to advance? How did being connected to that person benefit you? Did those referrals get you closer to God? Why or why not?

THE RESOURCES

2 Kings 5:9 NIV - So Naaman went with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house.

HE HAS

*SILVER

*GOLD

*CLOTHING

*SERVANTS

*HORSES

*CHARIOTS

- What you own will not bring your miracle
- Your possessions should not overshadow your praise
- God will get you to a point where He is the most important thing in your life
- Everything you have God gave it to you and you still not happy
- Put your stuff down-your referrals and resources it don't mean a thing if God is not at the forefront

If God allowed all your possessions, resources and referrals to become a dead thing in your life would you still praise him? Will he be the head of your life no matter what?

THE RITUALS

2 Kings 5:11-12 NIV - [11] But Naaman went away angry and said, "I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. [12] Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" So he turned and went off in a rage.

- Humble yourself and clear your thoughts

- The way God deals with you will be different than how He has dealt with others
- God is going to use something or someone unexpected
- When God does it, it's not going to make sense
- You have to be open to the way God wants to do it
- Your deliverance is right in your throat

Are you able to purge yourself so God can meet you where you are? Are you able to let God take control of your life no matter what?

THE REVERSE

YOU ARE GOING TO HEAR A CHALLENGE

2 Kings 5:10a, 13a NIV

[10] Elisha sent a messenger to say to him,

[13] Naaman's servants went to him

- The challenge will come from an unexpected source
- Don't look at the source and disregard the challenge

What do you have to lose by doing it God's way? What was your reaction to the challenge?

YOU ARE GOING TO DO THE CHALLENGE

2 Kings 5:14a NIV - So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan

- Your challenge is going to make you uncomfortable
- There is nothing for you to lose if you try
- Your flesh says crazy but your spirit says do it
- God is about to challenge your pride
- It's a challenge to listen and hear
- Don't just hear it, but do it

What has God said to you that was a challenge? What steps are you taking to accept God's challenge?

YOU ARE GOING TO COMPLETE THE CHALLENGE

2 Kings 5:14b NIV - seven times, as the man of God had told him,

- You have to complete the challenge
- Remain consistent even when it appears nothing is changing
- Your miracle is in your press
- You will finish what you started
- Do not exit 2024 the same way you entered

- Challenge your thoughts

What have you started and not finished? Why are you procrastinating? What will happen when you complete the challenge?

RECEIVE THE EXPECTED

2 Kings 5:14c NIV - and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

- Be open to receive the favor of God
- You are about to be restored
- You look won't match what you have been through
- The earth will yield what belongs to you
- Do it, try it, start it, sign up for it
- Keep dipping until you see the change

Are you ready for the unexpected this year? What are you doing to prepare?

EXAMPLES OF THE CHALLENGE

JOSHUA

WALK AROUND THE CITY AND SHOUT

DISCIPLES

SIT DOWN AND PREPARE TO EAT

PETER

CAST YOUR NET FOR A BIG CATCH

- What God tells you to do may not make sense to you
- Just trust God and do what He says

*John 2:5 KJV - His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, **do it.***

- Do what you hear God sa
- When it happens it going to happen at a speed rate

QUESTION

What will happen if I do things God's way?

DECLARATION

This is My Year of Expectation!!!!

PRAYER

Father God, I thank you for my many gifts, talents, and resources. In this season, I am in need of a miracle. I am asking that you put Your super on my natural and do something supernatural for me. Something that I cannot do on my own. I am sitting in the seat of expectation, trusting and believing that Your favor will manifest in my life. As I expect You to favor me, I will continue to praise and worship You in Jesus' name, Amen!