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STREET LIGHTS

THE SIGNS OF LIFE SERMON SERIES

SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE

There are *street lights* in *the signs of life* that will cause us to stop, move and eventually go to pursue the promises of God. He puts a destiny inside of us which is found in our decisions. Destiny is not a place you arrive to, but a place you live from. If you don't get a revelation of where you are going, you will miss where you are at. In this process called life, we have to manage cycles of seasons because every moment is made for movement. Let's learn from King David.

THIS WILL BE A RECORD BREAKING YEAR.

THE THREE KINGLY ANOINTINGS OF DAVID

- The anointing is God's affirmation of your alignment within His assignment. It is God's power to perform and produce for your purpose.
- Your assignment is revealed when your anointing is released.
- The anointing activates and accelerates your life. It deals with your assignment and the appointment deals with your timing.
- No one can take your anointing or what God has assigned to you.
- There are levels to anointing:
 - Level #1: God sends a person.
 - Level #2: God sends people.
 - Level #3: God sends the nation.

YOU'RE ANOINTED FOR THIS.

RED LIGHT: STOP SEASON

1 Samuel 16:3 NIV - So Samuel **took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers,** and from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came powerfully upon David.

- Some things don't start until you show up.
- There is tension when you know you are anointed but are sitting at a red light.
- God sends you a person that is not intimidated by you and your destiny.
- While you are in your stop season, an anointing is released to get you to your next season.
- You get credibility and respect in your stop season.

What has God anointed you to do? Are you actively working on it? If not, why?

How are you waiting in your red light season? What are you mastering?

YOUR STOP SEASON IS NOT ABOUT YOU SLACKING, BUT MASTERING.

LOSES SAUL

1 Samuel 18:12 NIV - Saul was afraid of David, because the Lord was with David but had departed from Saul.

- It's your responsibility to manage the "Saul" in your life.
- The same people that sing for you in one season will crucify you in another.

Recall a time in your life when the presence of God left you, what happened? How were you restored to God?

LOSES HIS WIFE

1 Samuel 19:12 NIV - So Michal let David down through a window, and he fled and escaped.

- Everyone in your family or life can't run with you or handle your elevation.
- Stop holding on to people that God is trying to free you from.

Have you ever lost a relationship in pursuit of your calling/anointing? How did this impact you? Who has God instructed you to leave behind?

LOSES HIS SPIRITUAL ADVISOR

1 Samuel 19:18a NIV - When David had fled and made his escape, he went to Samuel at Ramah and told him all that Saul had done to him.

- You have to do some things alone, which may require isolation in the presence of God.

Is there anyone God sent to you for a past purpose that you need to let go of?

LOSES HIS BEST FRIEND

1 Samuel 20:42a,c NIV - [42a] Jonathan said to David, "Go in peace, for we have sworn friendship with each other in the name of the Lord, [42c] Then David left, and Jonathan went back to the town."

- Some friends are for a season, and some are for a lifetime. Just because they are only there for a season, doesn't make them unimportant.
- Don't demonize those who cannot be with you forever because their season is up.

Looking back, how have you seen friends shift through your seasons of life? How is your future impacted by friends of your past?

LOSES HIS POSITION, TITLE AND SALARY

1 Samuel 22:1a NIV - David left Gath and escaped to the cave of Adullam.

- People will not understand how you're winning when it looks like you're losing.
- When you go down in prayer and worship, God takes you higher in Him.
- What belongs to you, can't leave you and what's not for you, can't stay.

If you were stripped of your position and status, how would that affect your relationship with God? How can you keep your worship intact during these losses?

LOSES HIS LOCATION

1 Samuel 27:1 NIV - But David thought to himself, "One of these days I will be destroyed by the hand of Saul. The best thing I can do is to escape to the land of the Philistines.

- Loss develops your character, which is the cup that keeps your anointing.
- There's life after loss.

Have you ever been forced to move locations? How did it impact your character development?

WHAT WAS LOST

- ☐ Person you served
- ☐ Wife (Spouse)
- ☐ Spiritual Advisors
- ☐ Friend

- ☐ Position
- ☐ Title
- ☐ Salary
- ☐ Location

LEVELS WILL CAUSE YOU TO LOSE.

What have you lost in your stop season? How did God allow you to recover from that loss?

YELLOW LIGHT: MOVEMENT SEASON

2 Samuel 2:4a NIV - Then the men of Judah came to Hebron, and there they anointed David king over the tribe of Judah.

- God gave David Judah. Judah means praise. No one is responsible for your praise but you.
- God will push you into your yellow light season and will send you multiple people who will celebrate you.
- How you handle your yellow season will determine how fast you get to your green season.

Who has God sent you to partner with? Have you received or rejected the partnership?

What praise did God give you in your yellow light season?

2 Samuel 5:4-5a NIV - David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years. In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months,

- Don't allow your age or time to make you doubt God's ability.

What dream have you given up on because of timing?

2 Samuel 3:1 NIV - The war between the house of Saul and the house of David lasted a long time. David grew stronger and stronger, while the house of Saul grew weaker and weaker.

- The house of your past and the house of your future are fighting over you.
- God is weakening the enemy and strengthening you.

How do you handle your warfare? How has this season helped you grow?

TRUST YOUR HIDING SEASON. IT'S SAVING YOUR LIFE.

GREEN LIGHT: GO SEASON

2 Samuel 5:3 NIV - *When all the elders of Israel had come to King David at Hebron, the king made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel.*

- People are about to come looking for you to do what you are anointed to do. They know where to find you because of your commitment.
- You are in a season of a cycle of 7. Act like you are already at the end of 2030 and work your way back. Your 2030 will look nothing like what you see now.

What do you believe God to manifest for you in this 7 year cycle?

2 Samuel 5:9-10 NIV - *David then took up residence in the fortress and called it the City of David. He built up the area around it, from the terraces inward. [10] And he became more and more powerful, because the Lord God Almighty was with him.*

- You're about to run it, build it, and name it.
- When you get power, you have authority.

What are you called to build and run?

2 Samuel 5:5 NIV - *In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years.*

PURPOSE HAS A PACE.

KING DAVID'S PROCESS

Red Light – Preteen until 30 years old

Yellow Light – 30 years old until 37 years old

Green Light – 37 years old until 70 years old

YOUR GREEN LIGHT WILL OUTNUMBER YOUR RED AND YELLOW LIGHT.

- Favor is not seasonal, it is for a lifetime.

Ecclesiastes 7:8 MSG - **Endings are better than beginnings.** Sticking to it is better than standing out.

**THERE'S ANOTHER LEVEL OF OIL WAITING ON YOU.
YOU GOT THIS.**

QUESTION

What light are you at in this season - red, yellow, or green?

DECLARATION

I have increased my value and I shall recover all.

PRAYER

God, I thank You for the street lights of life. You carefully stop me and keep me from wrecking my destiny. You cautiously guide me into my purpose and assignment. In the right season, You give me permission to move forward. You remove obstacles and people that serve as hindrances. You have anointed me with Your oil of grace, mercy, strength, and ability. You have shown my enemies that You are with me and despite my losses, I walk in abundance. Because of You God, I have recovered all and I declare victory In Jesus' name, Amen!