

2025-07-26 Walking in the Spirit

1 year ago - July 2024 I presented our goal for growth Lord gave us

For the next 3 years, average attendance of 200 by July 2027

Average attendance then, July 2024 - 98, now 109 – 11% increase

Great but at that rate in 2 more years, we'll be at 135

So, we're not going to fulfill the vision at the present rate

How will we get there? Need to be better able to reach people

With Good News, love of God, see miracles in their lives

That's what drew me into Kingdom of God

Here's how – a new insight on walking in the spirit

That will increase all our fruitfulness in bringing people

Into the Kingdom of God

It deals with your identity & how you experience whatever

Circumstances you find yourself in

First identity

1 Corinthians 2:15... we have the mind of the Messiah!

You have access to the mind of Messiah

He wants your thoughts to be His thoughts

Your identity is that you are an ambassador for the Lord

You are to speak forth what His spirit says

Let's look to Yeshua to understand our identity

Yeshua lived focused on what Father was saying & doing

Not what satan was doing although sometimes

That involved confrontations with forces of satan

John 6:38 For I have come down from heaven to do not my own will but the will of the One who sent me.

Yeshua lived constantly discerning the Father's will & power

& how He could share that power with people

In Gospels Yeshua saw potential for God moving

In **every** circumstance He encountered hungry people, storms, death

You have the mind of Yeshua, so you can & should be

The manifestation of God's spirit in this world

In other people's lives

2nd how you experience the circumstances you find yourself in

What did Yeshua do to enable Him to see what Father was doing?

*Acts 10:38 ...Yeshua went about doing **good and healing** all the people oppressed by the Adversary, because God was with him.*

In all circumstances He was always looking

For opportunities for God to lead Him in to doing **good**

Which included praying for healing deliverance

But other things too

He was directed by promptings, desires of RHK to do good

1 John 4:17 ...as the Messiah is, so are we in the world...

So, the same spirit dwells in you, He is in you

We need to learn to experience the circumstances

We find ourselves in as opportunities to do good

& be asking God what can **You** do through me in this situation

In this person or group's life?

May mean, but doesn't always mean preaching convicting sermons

Seeing God heal & deliver through your prayers

Feeding 5000, or raising the dead

Although you many of you will do things like that

It refers to many other ways of doing good

Comforting someone grieving, visiting the sick, lonely

Helping someone financially, giving a ride, caring for children

Caring for the elderly, praying for someone's needs,

Praying at an abortion facility, serving in congregation,

Cleaning bathrooms, confronting someone in sin, etc.

Awareness change – asking God is the situation I'm in right now

This place, people a moment of opportunity for You to move?

Back to the identity change? God will manifest His presence

In this opportune moment through me, because Ruach Ha Kodesh is in me

This requires ability to hear & be led by Ruach Ha Kodesh, a learned skill

Here's an example of Peter not being able to tell the difference

Between God's voice & satan's

Yeshua asked His disciples

Matthew 16:15 "But you," he said to them, "who do you say I am?"

16 Shim'on Kefa (Peter) answered, "You are the Mashiach, the Son of the living God."

17 "Shim'on Bar-Yochanan (Simon son of John)," Yeshua said to him, "how blessed you are! For no human being revealed this to you, no, it was my Father in heaven.

Peter spoke this amazingly important revelation directly from God

& Yeshua praised him – blessed are you Peter

Vs. 18-21 Yeshua told His disciples that as Messiah

He was here to deliver them from sin & spiritual death

By dying on the cross

22 Kefa took him (Yeshua) aside and began rebuking him, "Heaven be merciful, Lord! By no means will this happen to you!"

23 But Yeshua turned his back on Kefa, saying, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because your thinking is from a human perspective, not from God's perspective!"

Get behind me, satan – meaning Peter was speaking satan's words

This rebuke came just 6 verses after Peter spoke Father's words

You & I have to learn to discern between God's voice, satan's voice

Your own thoughts & other people's voices

How?

Romans 8:5 For those who identify with their old nature set their minds on the things of the old nature, but those who identify with the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

Set your mind on the things of the Spirit – seek first Kingdom of God

Ruach Ha Kodesh will arrange circumstances, give promptings

It takes time & experience but your ability to discern will grow

When satan prompts you to do things what's it called? Temptation

What do we call it when God prompts us? Opportunity

Remember Yeshua went about doing **good**

Ruach Ha Kodesh is alive on Earth – He moves in situations

Where someone doing good is needed

So You & I should be looking for opportunities to do good

*Galatians 6:10 Therefore, as the **opportunity** arises, let us do what is **good** to everyone, and especially to the family of those who are trustingly faithful.*

Here's a fascinating revelation about a word

Opportunity – Greek - Kairos

Cronos – other Greek word for time, normal, natural time

Kairos – a quality of time, not ordinary time

The opportune time, or time of opportunity

Ex: use of Kairos-Yeshua was speaking to the people of Jerusalem

Whose leaders had rejected Him, weeping & predicting
 The judgment that would come upon them
 & the reason for that judgment was

Luke 19: 44.. all because you did not recognize your opportunity (Kairos) when God offered it!"

Yeshua's time in Jerusalem was a Kairos time

Opportunity for people to follow Him

Kairos is a particular moment inside chronos

You had a Kairos moment when God broke into your life

You didn't organize it, plan it, you did need to recognize it
 & let it change your life

I had several Kairos moments – deciding to read Bible

I'm believing this message is a Kairos message for all of you

& will change each of you

People have come to me after I give a message

& tell me "what you said really touched my heart"

My knowledge, wisdom, logic, reasoning can't touch your heart

If your heart is touched RHK made what I say

It's a Kairos moment for you

Here's another Kairos moment in Tenakh

Even though Kairos is a Greek word this moment is in Tenakh

Esther 4:14 For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place—but you and your father's house will perish. Who knows whether you have attained royal status for such a time as this?"

In Hebrew – time = ate

In Septuagint, the translation of Tenakh into Greek

Done about 150 years before Yeshua

"For such a Kairos as this" opportunity

God was inviting Esther into her Kairos moment to save our people

Ecclesiastes 3:1 For everything there is a season and a time for every activity under heaven:

Septuagint - to everything there is a chronos & a Kairos to every purpose under heaven

There's a normal time, then there's God's Kairos time

It's an opportunity in someone's life

When Ruach Ha Kodesh will move through you into them

Kingdom of God will touch them

This discerning of Kairos times is the fullness of walking in Spirit

God is big on Kairos His moadim, appointed times are Kairos times

Shabbat is a Kairos time to rest, learn & worship God together

Passover is a Kairos time for salvation

Shavuot for being filled with Ruach Ha Kodesh, Yom Kippur for repenting

Sukkot for rejoicing

God's goal is for you to manifest His presence

Because God will give you the opportune, Kairos, time

To speak into someone's life

You're with someone & they tell you a need they have

You pray with them, help them – that's a Kairos time

1 John 4:17 ...as the Messiah is, so are we in the world...

Yeshua took advantage of the circumstances He found Himself in

We are to live as He lived, do what He did, to look for opportunities

For Ruach Ha Kodesh to work through us

First secret to being able to do that is to look for a way to do good

2nd secret to being able to do that is not to be in a hurry

Yeshua was never in a hurry

*Mark 5:22 There came to him a synagogue official, Ya'ir by name, who fell at his feet
23 and pleaded desperately with him, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Please! Come and lay your hands on her, so that she will get well and live!"*

The girl was expected to die in a very short time

24 He went with him; and a large crowd followed, pressing all around him.

25 Among them was a woman who had had a hemorrhage for twelve years

26 and had suffered a great deal under many physicians. She had spent her life savings; yet instead of improving, she had grown worse.

27 She had heard about Yeshua, so she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his robe;

28 for she said, "If I touch even his clothes, I will be healed."

She was unclean because of her bleeding

Anyone who touched her would become unclean, but

29 Instantly the hemorrhaging stopped, and she felt in her body that she had been healed from the disease.

34 "Daughter," he said to her, "your trust has healed you. Go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

Ya'ir probably thought, wait I was here first, my daughter is dying

You can deal with this woman later

But, Yeshua wasn't in a hurry, He dealt with the woman

She was the only woman He called daughter

He always moved with the promptings RHK gave Him

35 While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue official's house came, saying, "Your daughter has died. Why bother the rabbi any longer?"

Whoops, He had waited too long, He got distracted by that woman

36 Ignoring what they had said, Yeshua told the synagogue official, "Don't be afraid, just keep trusting."

So they proceeded on to Ya'ir's home

41 Taking her by the hand, he said to her, "Talita, kumi!" (which means, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!").

42 At once the girl got up and began walking around; she was twelve years old. Everybody was utterly amazed.

Yeshua wasn't even rushed by the threat of imminent death

Because God is never rushed

We all need to learn to take time to discern promptings of the spirit

A key is to leave for things early enough so you don't have to rush

For a Kairos moment to happen without making you late

Here's an account of a disciple who learned it well

Some time after Ruach Ha Kodesh had fallen on the disciples in Jerusalem

Acts 8:5 Now Philip went down to a city in Shomron (Samaria) and was proclaiming the Messiah to them;

6 and the crowds were paying close attention to what Philip said, as they heard and saw the miraculous signs he was doing.

7 For many people were having unclean spirits driven out of them, shrieking; also many paralytics and crippled persons were being healed;

8 so that there was great joy in that city.

This was a revival, crowd, multitudes, people delivered, healed

Revival didn't come because the Samaritans prayed

It came because Philip preached to them

God went with him because he was obedient

Sometimes you are called to preaching – formal declaration

Sometimes to just talk about Yeshua wherever you go

God worked with Philip & brought revival

Then Philip's story continues

Acts 8:26 An angel of ADONAI said to Philip, "Get up, and go southward on the road that goes down from Yerushalayim to 'Azah, the desert road."

An angel speaking to Philip was a pretty strong prompting by Ruach Ha Kodesh

From Samaria to this road was a long way, many miles to walk

Philip was in the midst of a revival
 He would have been thrilled to stay in Samaria
 In the middle of this revival angel sent Philip to go to desert road
 I would have said, send someone else, not me, not now
 This revival in Samaria is what I've been hoping for
 Don't send me there, it's a desert
 3rd secret recognizing Kairos times is to not hesitate or question
 Are you like me, questioning God, what's it about
 How long, what's the cost?
 27 *So he (Philip) got up and went...*
 Philip did not question the Lord, why make me leave this revival?
 He obeyed, he got up & went without hesitating
 Something out of the ordinary is going to happen
 God is going to break through
 27...*On his way, he caught sight of an Ethiopian, a eunuch who was minister in charge of all the treasure of the Kandake, or queen, of Ethiopia. He had been to Yerushalayim to worship;*
 28 *and now, as he was returning home, he was sitting in his chariot, reading the prophet Yesha'yahu (Isaiah).*
 29 *The Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot, and stay close to it."*
 30 *As Philip ran up,...*
 Philip ran, demonstrating how in tune he was to Ruach Ha Kodesh
 He knew God was about to do something through him
 God's heart was breaking for this Ethiopian
 He'd come to Jerusalem seeking God
 Found religion there. but not God, so he was still seeking
 Today – there are people searching, seeking
 Who God wants to send you to at their Kairos moment
 You think you're just going shopping, out to dinner
 God wants to turn someone's world upside down through you
 To satisfy the Ethiopian's heart's desire for God
 The Lord took Philip away from revival to bring Kairos to him
 30...*he heard the Ethiopian reading from Yesha'yahu the prophet. "Do you understand what you're reading?" he asked.*
 Ethiopian didn't have a clue what was happening
 People God sends you to probably don't know that KofG
 Is about to open to them
 31 *"How can I," he (the Ethiopian) said, "unless someone explains it to me?" And he invited Philip to climb up and sit with him.*
 32 *Now the portion of the Tanakh that he was reading was this: "He was like a sheep led to be slaughtered; like a lamb silent before the shearer, he does not open his mouth.*
 33 *He was humiliated and denied justice. Who will tell about his descendants, since his life has been taken from the earth?"*
 34 *The eunuch said to Philip, "Here's my question to you - is the prophet talking about himself or someone else?"*
 Ethiopian asked – is Isaiah writing about himself or someone else
 35 *Then Philip started to speak - beginning with that passage, he went on to tell him the Good News about Yeshua.*
 36 *As they were going down the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look! Here's some water! Is there any reason why I shouldn't be immersed?"*
 The water was a miracle because they were in the desert
 It was a Kairos moment & the Ethiopian got saved
 Philip would've been blind to miss this was a Kairos moment
 Same with Yeshua & the woman who was bleeding
 We're supposed to be living in the book of Acts
 There are seekers out there who want to know

God has a Kairos time planned for them

We need to pray to be sent to people searching with open hearts

& to walk in Kairos power

4th secret to identifying a Kairos moment is when question is asked

Teachers call this a “teachable moment”

When people ask a question it is often a Kairos sign

After reading John asking what to read next

Diane had a Kairos moment – read Matthew

After reading SOT being stung by a bee & praying for 1st time

Being stung by bee a 2nd time

1 Peter 3:15 always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that is in you

Questions are a clue a Kairos moment is near, don't ignore them

When people come with a question it's an indication

You are entering a Kairos moment

Yeshua was always looking for opportunities to do good

Discerning the prompting of Ruach Ha Kodesh & ready to share about Kingdom of God

He was always ready to share goodness of God & power of KofG

MJ class we study how to answer 10 FAQ that Jewish people have

Philippians 2:5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Messiah Yeshua

Prayer

Establish our identities as Your ambassadors

Bringing Your love to people in words & deeds

Make us aware – help us see every circumstance

As a Kairos moment a time God has arranged for us to do good

& to bring His Ruach Ha Kodesh into someone's life

Give us Your timing – keep us from hurry

& from hesitating to obey promptings of Ruach Ha Kodesh

Help us to answer questions people have about the hope we have

Lord lead us to people who are seeking You

Thank you for those who witnessed to each of us

May we leave here on a way to a Kairos afternoon & week

Wherever we go, provide the opportunities