

BREAKING BROKE PT 10

POINT 4: BLESSING IS RELEASED AT THE LEVEL OF CAPACITY

God releases blessing at the speed of your capacity to carry it.

Matthew 9:17 NKJV - “Nor do they put new wine into old wineskins, or else the wineskins break...”

- God protects you from blessing you cannot sustain.

Jesus uses a **structural metaphor**, not a moral one.

- The Greek word for **old wineskins** is **παλαιός (palaios)**, meaning **worn out by use, exhausted, structurally weakened**. The issue is not age. It is **fatigue from previous strain**.
- The word for **new wine** is **νέος (neos)**, meaning **fresh, recently produced, still expanding**. Fermenting wine expands. Old skins cannot stretch.

God refuses to pour expanding grace into inflexible lives.

Paul echoes this principle when speaking of spiritual growth:

2 Corinthians 3:18 NKJV - “But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being **transformed** into the same image from **glory to glory**, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.”

Transformation precedes manifestation.

Many want *to increase* while resisting *stretching*. But stretching is what makes room for wine.

- **Capacity includes:**
- Maturity
- Discipline
- Wisdom
- Identity stability
- Leadership development

Many want more but have not become more.

God releases blessing at the speed of your capacity to carry it.

God is not withholding blessing. He is developing the vessel. Increase follows growth.

- Who must I become to carry what I am praying for?
- What systems need to grow?
- What discipline needs strengthening?

Capacity expansion precedes blessing expansion.

God is not limiting blessing. He is developing capacity. Increase follows growth.

TRANSITION - Alignment opens the flow. Stewardship stabilizes it. Generosity widens it. Capacity carries it. But Scripture reveals another law that governs blessing at an even deeper level...

POINT 5: BLESSING STOPS WHERE HONOR IS LOST

Key Principle - **Dishonor restricts access to divine activity.**

Matthew 13:57–58 NKJV - “So they were offended at Him. But Jesus said to them, ‘A prophet is not without honor except in his own country and in his own house.’ Now **He did not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief.**”

The word offended is the Greek skandalizō, meaning to stumble, to trip, to be ensnared.

- Their unbelief was not intellectual, it was relational.
- They could explain Jesus, but they could not **honor** Him.

Honor in Scripture is not admiration - It is **weight recognition**. The Greek word for **honor** is **timē**, meaning **value, price, worth**.

Romans 13:7 NKJV - “Render therefore to all their due: taxes to whom taxes are due, customs to whom customs, fear to whom fear, honor to whom honor.”

Honor determines what you are able to receive.

Theology Insight - Familiarity without honor breeds contempt, and contempt shuts down access.

This is why Elijah could raise the dead in Zarephath but not in Israel. This is why Jesus healed strangers but was limited among neighbors.

Mark 6:4–5 NKJV “But Jesus said to them, ‘A prophet is not **without honor** except in his own country, among his own relatives, and in his own house.’ Now **He could do** no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them.”

- Notice the language. Not would not. Could not.

Honor does not empower God - It positions people.

**Where honor diminishes, manifestation diminishes.
Where honor is restored, access returns.**

TRANSITION - **Alignment** opens the door. **Stewardship** sustains the house. **Generosity** widens the space. **Capacity** strengthens the structure. **Honor** governs the atmosphere.

CONCLUSION: OPEN THE FLOW

- You are not cursed. You are not forgotten. You are not overlooked.
- You may simply be congested.
- Alignment opens the flow.
- Stewardship sustains it.
- Generosity widens it.
- Capacity carries it.

The blessing is not blocked. The bottleneck is removable.