

ACTIVATE School of Healing & Evangelism

Session 5: Commissioned to Go!—Kara Sensenig

I. Where Are You Called to Make an Impact?

- A. What is it that pulls on your heart? In what arena are you called to see with God's eyes and pull that reality into the present?
- B. Try this. In everything you do, begin to ask God: *What is your heart for*_____.
 - a. Ask and Listen!
 - b. Then DO something...begin to take steps to impact this area.

II. Power Evangelism -

- A. There's no formula
 - a. Jackie Pullinger once asked, *"You want to see a revival? Plant your church in the gutter."*
 - b. John Wimber often said, *"The meat is in the street."*
 - c. If we want to see the power back in the Church, we've got to take it to the streets. We've got to be willing to take it beyond the four walls of the church.
- B. Jesus simply said, *"Go."*
 - a. As we go, as we do, as we obey that's where the real miracle happens. We're actually being transformed to be like Him.
 - b. The problem isn't with a lack of power supply in heaven, but the supply of faithful workers willing to go out and speak out in risk. It's not always easy and often requires perseverance and grace, but it's very worth it. God is with us in the process.
- C. We've been commissioned and as we go, the Good News of Jesus bears forth healings signs and wonders.
- D. You are the hope of your family, your town, your community...
 - a. You are part of the plan for revival.
 - b. Jesus the hope of Glory lives within you.
 - c. If you want to see sick people healed, then you need to pray for sick people.

III. Think Like Sons & Daughters

A. Doubt vs. Unbelief

- a. Unbelief and doubt are not the same. Doubt doesn't separate us from the love of God. He said *"Go" and "I am with you always."* As you go, as you do, as you obey your beliefs will change. Your beliefs will follow your actions.

- b. **Matthew 11:12** - *From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and violent men take it by force.*
- c. All throughout Scripture we see that God's heart is moved by men and women who take hold of His promises and contend for them.
 - 1. To engage God's promises is to engage in relationship with God.

B. Every promise from God is a commissioning.

- a. We see this in Moses, Miriam, Abraham, Samuel, Esther, Ruth, David, Daniel, Anna, Marry to name just a few. They were considered friends of God because of the way they engaged God's promises.
- b. Look at Abraham for a moment
- c. Look at Jesus' disciples
- d. Has He given you a promise? How do you grab hold of this promise and engage with God?

C. Don't look at your past to determine your future. Look to what God is calling you to do, and don't get caught up in introspection.

- a. You have God living inside of you, as you step out with Him in doing the things He did and reaching out to the people around you, He will equip you.
- b. Create a chain reaction!

D. Walking in Authority

- a. You have more authority than you realize!
- b. We need to realize the huge importance of resisting the spirit of fear in our lives, which keeps us battling accusation, anxiety and a sense of disqualification.
- c. The power in His love is there to help us resist fear and to give us the confidence to do the stuff Jesus did.
- d. **Ephesians 1:19-23** - *I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power²⁰ that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms.²¹ Now he is far above any ruler or authority or power or leader or anything else—not only in this world but also in the world to come.²² God has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made him head over all things for the benefit of the church.²³ And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself.*
- e. Everywhere we look in scripture, we see that God's heart is for us to know that we're sons and daughters who have been 100% free access to the rich and full inheritance of Christ.

- f. I believe one of the enemy's main battles is to keep followers of Jesus (like you and me) from this full revelation.
- g. **Ephesians 3:1:17-20** - *that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the [a]knowledge of Him. ¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart [b]may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the [c]saints, ¹⁹ and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might.*

E. Give What You Have

- a. Robby Dawkins story
- b. **The take away here is that God will increase what we have as we give it away!**
- c. Often times we're thinking increase it then I'll give...*But* that's not how it worked when God fed the five-thousand!

IV. Praying in the Spirit

A. Your prayer language is a powerful and effective tool.

- a. Helps to build a sense of awareness.
- b. Paul says, I pray in the spirit more than all of you... (1 Corinthians)
- c. It's the one gift given to us that is for us! Praying in the spirit edifies and builds you up on the inside.
- d. Connects me to the spontaneous because it bypasses my understanding.
- e. As I pray I begin to discern and pick up on what He's saying.
- f. It's about me learning to stay connected to the Holy Spirit. It's not about something taking over your body. No, it's an act of my will to begin to use my prayer language.

V. Review & Wrap Up

A. Praying for people

- a. Ask permission and be clear
- b. Explain that you are going to pray right away for God to heal them.
- c. Ask permission to place your hand on them if appropriate.
- d. It's okay if people say no to being touched.
- e. Ask husband or friend to place hand on a part.
- f. Gather Information
- g. Tell the Body what you want it to do

- h. Ask what's happening/pray again
- i. Thank God and point people to Jesus

B. Calling out the Gold in People's Lives - "Dig for the gold, not the dirt!" - Robby Dawkins

- a. No matter who I encounter, a homeless person on the streets or a grandma at Target, I ask the Father, "**What is Your heart for this person?**"
- b. Learn to flip the negative that you see and sense. We are called to protect people's dignity and not call out junk and expose them. That doesn't do much anyway. We call people forward and into the Father's love for them.

C. Packaging a Prophetic Word

- a. When we get a word or picture, we always ask, "God what does this mean?" "What are you speaking through this picture?" Learn to dialogue with Him.
- b. Speak in language anyone can understand and put away your "Christianese"

D. Risk - Put the Gift in the Fire

2 Timothy 1:3-7—*I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also. For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.*

- a. Looking to the Greek, this phrase suggests: "putting the gift through the fire or joining the gift with fire."
- b. The next verse makes more sense now in this context; "*For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but love and power and a sound mind.*"

1. Whenever we step out in faith, we must step over fear!

- a. **Kris Vallontton explains fear like this:** Fear is the guard dog that is protecting the fortress of spiritual prosperity. When the dog starts barking, we can be sure that the treasure he is guarding is near. Most people do not allow their gifts to be forged in the fire of risk. The result: their gifts are weak and not tempered.

2. Reach beyond your comfort zone

- a. Here Paul exhorts Timothy to minister in his spiritual gift beyond his comfort zone.
- b. Exercise: Anyone who has ever tried to exercise knows that there is little benefit to your exercising until your body feels a degree of pain.

- c. If we wake up the morning after exercising and we're not sore, we could pretty well conclude that our degree of exercise only maintained our current condition.
- 3. The same general principle applies to our spiritual growth. If we only do what is comfortable for us, we won't grow.
 - a. Along with real growth, there will always be an element of discomfort.
 - b. Often times the things you are most afraid of hold the greatest rewards

E. My Confession & Commission

*I readily hear the voice of Jesus, my Shepherd. He calls me by name and leads me out (**John 10:3**). I follow Him because I know His voice. He makes known to me His thoughts (**Amos 4:13**). The grace of Jesus, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit are with e as I respond to His leading (**2 Corinthians 13:14**). As I attach faith to what I am hearing, He will do exceedingly more than I could ever hope or imagine.*

*Like Jesus, I have been anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power. I go about doing good and healing all that are oppressed, for God is with me. He has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free all who are downtrodden, and to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord. **Isaiah 61.***

*I receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon me to be the Lord's witness, even unto the uttermost parts of the earth. I go forth and preach everywhere, and the Lord confirms the word I preach with signs that follow. **Acts 1:8.***

VI. Impartation