EVERAGING







Leveraging all that we have for God's greater purpose is about realizing that all we have has been entrusted to us by God so we can play a part in his redemptive story for this world and my life.

EPHESIANS 2:10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Handiwork/Workmanship (poiema): A masterpiece or creation fashioned together for a special purpose.

Before all creation he had you in mind. He is sculpting you for that purpose.

Where Destiny (works) and Discovery (workmanship) intersect, you thrive.

Leverage: about one point (fulcrum) and that is used to create

To use a stick or bar that pivots momentum of another object.

DESTINY (WORKS)

DISCOVERY (WORKMANSHIP)

THRIVING



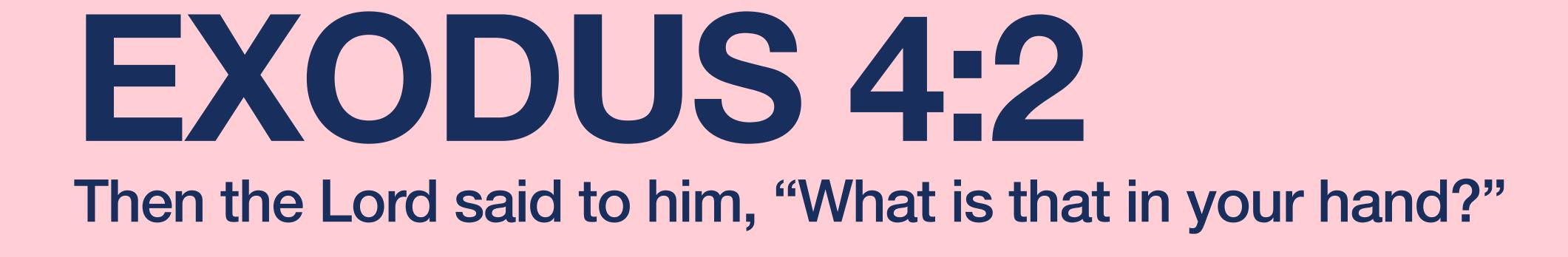
THRIVING WHAT'S IN YOUR HANDS?

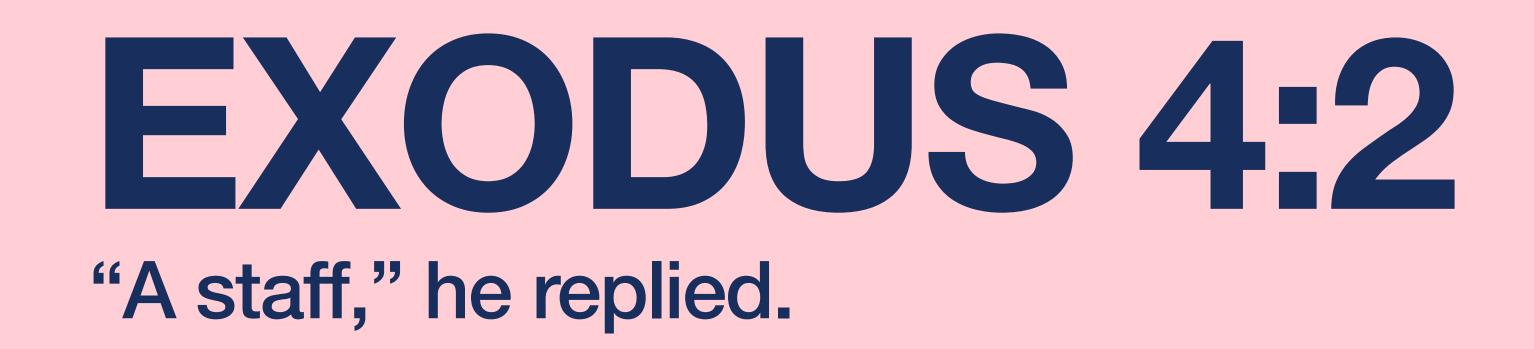






EXODUS 4:1 Moses answered, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me and say, 'The Lord did not appear to you'?"







EXODUS 4:3-4

Moses threw it on the ground and it became a snake, and he ran from it. Then the Lord said to him, "Reach out your hand and take it by the tail." So Moses reached out and took hold of the snake and it turned back into a staff in his hand.

EXODUS 4:5

"This," said the Lord, "is so that they may believe that the Lord, the God of their fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has appeared to you."

EXODUS 4:19-20 NKJV

Now the Lord said to Moses in Midian, "Go, return to Egypt; for all the men who sought your life are dead." Then Moses took his wife and his sons and set them on a donkey, and he returned to the land of Egypt. And Moses took the rod of God in his hand.



The stick in Moses hand went from being called the "Rod of Moses" to the "Rod of God".

Using what was in his hand, Moses' life went from the ordinary to the extraordinary.

EXODUS 14:15-16 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on. Raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground.

Supernatural Leverage: When God leverages his power through our palms

ACTS 3:3-5When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.



ACTS 3:6-7Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong.

have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk."

JOHN 3:34-35

For the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit. The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in his hands.



What's in your H.A.N.D.S.?

Culture tells you to serve what you value. Kingdom tells you to submit what you value.

Submission means that what you value has to become sub to the mission.





LUKE 19:26 MSG

"He said, 'That's what I mean: Risk your life and get more than you ever dreamed of. Play it safe and end up holding the bag."

JOHN 6:8-9 Then Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up. "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is that with this huge crowd?"



MATTHEW 26:6-7 While Jesus was in Bethany in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, which she poured on his head as he was reclining at the table.

MATTHEW 26:10-13

Aware of this, Jesus said to them, "Why are you bothering this woman? She has done a beautiful thing to me. The poor you will always have with you, but you will not always have me. When she poured this perfume on my body, she did it to prepare me for burial. Truly I tell you, wherever this gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her."

2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-3

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability.

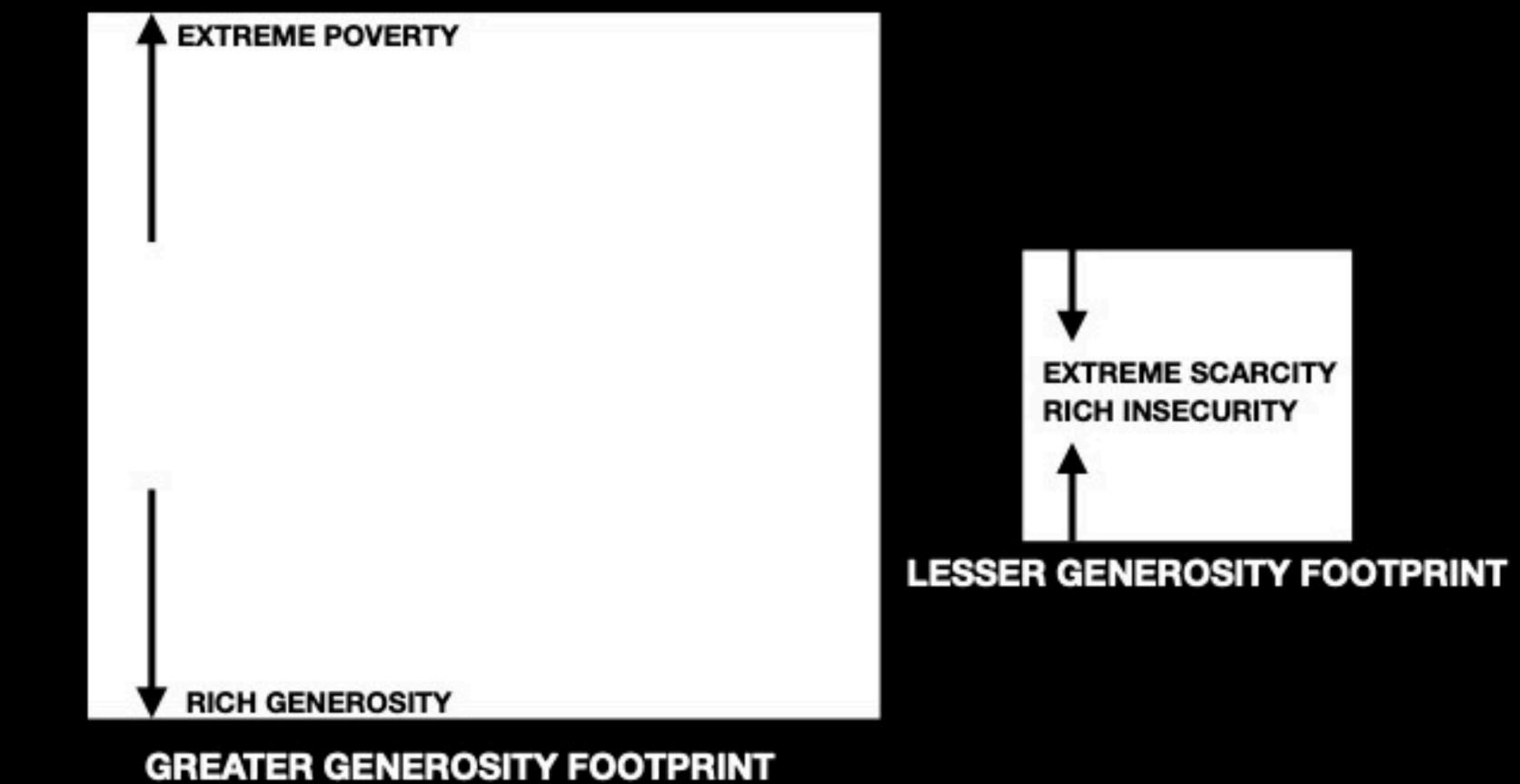


How you handle your natural wealth determines how you experience spiritual health.

Generosity has nothing to do with your bank account but your heart account.

When extreme poverty is met with rich generosity, we enlarge our capacity for miracles.

GENEROSITY FOOTPRINT > MIRACLE CAPACITY > KINGDOM OUTPUT



NETWORK



HEBREWS 10:24-25

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 25 not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another —and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

DIFFICULTIES



2 CORINTHIANS 12:9 But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.



Suffering reveals whether you have a contract faith or a covenant faith.

2 CORINTHIANS 1:4 Who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.



JOHN 4:39 Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony.









DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does leveraging your life for God mean to you?

2. What do you feel is in your HANDS to leverage for God?

- 3. What holds you back from leveraging for God?
- 4. Is there an area discussed in the sermon that you want to leverage more for God?