



This week Ps Louis Els shared a significant word with us, titled **“The Season of Glory and New Life”**.

*Isaiah 60:1-3*

**1 Arise, shine;** For your light has come! And the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.

**2 For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, And deep darkness the people; But the Lord will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you.**

**3 The Gentiles shall come to your light, And kings to the brightness of your rising.**

Here we read that although we acknowledge that things are getting dark around us, God is always aware of our circumstances yet calls us to arise despite what is happening around us ... “But the Lord will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you.”

In this encouragement, God is not calling us to arise out of our own strength or to do our own thing but He is inviting the tired and weary to receive His rest. In this season, you will experience **supernatural intervention** and the reason you will experience a breakthrough and come out on the other side is because God will rise upon you.

Four things that will keep us from arising:

1. Firstly, one of the reasons people do not arise is because of fear, anxiety, and increasing darkness. God wants to bring change in this area of your life and wants to move you from a place of mere survival to thriving.
2. Secondly, tiredness and weariness can prevent people from rising. Jesus invites us into a place of rest, He says that His yoke is easy. He wants to give you rest. God is inviting you to spend time with Him and to listen to what He is saying. Please take a moment to read Isaiah 40:28-31.
1. Thirdly, doubt and unbelief can keep us from rising. It is good to wait on God and to pray things through, but there comes a time when we should settle on what we believe God is saying.
2. Lastly, condemnation and guilt can prevent us from arising. We disqualify ourselves because of who we are and where we come from.

Three things that can help us to get beyond the things that are stopping us from arising:

1. Kingdom people have the right perspective on the past, present, and future. Our past has been dealt with. When Jesus hung on the cross, He said “It is finished”. We have a sense of purpose, knowing that we are in right standing with God.
2. We understand that we live in a broken world. We can be a reflection of what we have received in the world. Our God is present with us and on our side. We can live with conviction and display God’s love in a broken world.
3. As a Kingdom prophetic people, we also have a vantage point concerning our future.

#### **REFLECTION:**

What is consuming your mind? What are you thinking about and meditating on? Is it based on what God is saying, or what circumstances and people are saying to you? Take a moment to ask God what He is saying regarding your past, present, and future. He is a speaking God.