

### SEASONS - A SEASON TO TEACH- PASTOR PETER May 25 2025

Matthew 28:16-20 "Then the eleven disciples left for Galilee, going to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him - but some of them doubted! Jesus came and told His disciples, 'I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

#### **Teach With Power**

Acts 1:6 "So when the apostles were with Jesus, they kept asking Him, 'Lord, has the time come for You to free Israel and restore our kingdom?"

Acts 1:7 "He replied, 'The Father alone has the authority to set those dates and times, and they are not for you to know. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere - in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Mark 9:33,34 "After they arrived at Capernaum and settled in a house, Jesus asked His disciples, 'What were you discussing out on the road?' But they didn't answer, because they had been arguing about which of them was the greatest."

Matthew 20:20,21,24 "Then the mother of James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus with her sons. She knelt respectfully to ask a favour. 'What is your request?' He asked. She replied, 'In your Kingdom, please let my two sons sit in places of honour next to You, one on Your right and the other on Your left.' When the ten other disciples heard what James and John had asked, they were indignant."

Micah 6:8 "O people, the LORD has told you what is good, and this is what He requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your

#### God."

# **Reflection Questions:**

- 1. Am I teaching others from a place of God's authority and power, or from my own ambition and knowledge?
- 2. Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go..." (Matt. 28:18–19). Before I speak or lead, do I pause to remember that I'm representing Him not myself?
- 3. Have I surrendered my desire for recognition or position so that I can humbly walk in the power of the Holy Spirit?
- 4. The disciples wrestled with pride and personal agendas, but Jesus redirected them to Spirit-empowered witness. What personal motivations might be hindering me from teaching with true spiritual power?
- 5. How am I modeling obedience and humility in my daily life as a living lesson to others?
- 6. Jesus called us not only to teach His commands but to teach others to obey them. Is my life a demonstration of what I teach, or merely a declaration?

#### **Teach Out Of Obedience**

Acts. 1:9-11 "After saying this, He was taken up into a cloud while they were watching, and they could no longer see Him. As they strained to see Him rising into heaven, two white-robed men suddenly stood among them. 'Men of Galilee,' they said, 'why are you standing here staring into heaven? Jesus has been taken from you into heaven, but someday He will return from heaven in the same way you saw Him go!"

Acts 1:12 "Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, a distance of half a mile."

1 Samuel 15:22 "What is more pleasing to the LORD: your burnt offerings and sacrifices or your obedience to His voice? Listen! Obedience is better than sacrifice, and submission is better than offering the fat of rams."

James 4:4 "Don't you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: If you want to be a friend of the world, you make yourself an enemy of God."

# **Reflection Questions:**

- 1. Am I living in obedience to what Jesus has already revealed to me, or am I waiting for another sign before I act?
- 2. Obedience begins with what we already know. Are there areas in your life where you know what God is asking but have delayed or resisted?
- 3. What has my response been to the Word of God do I merely study it, or do I submit to it?
- 4. Consider how often your Bible reading leads to action. Is your life being shaped by God's Word, or is it simply a source of information rather than transformation?
- 5. What might I be missing from God power, purpose, or growth because I've chosen convenience or comfort over obedience?
- 6. Reflect on whether disobedience has blocked you from receiving all that God wants to pour into your life. What would change if you chose full surrender?

#### **Teach With Perseverance**

Acts 1:12-14 "Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, a distance of half a mile. When they arrived, they went to the upstairs room of the house where they were staying... They all met together and were constantly united in prayer..."

1 Corinthians 15:4-6 "He was buried, and He was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said. He was seen by Peter and then by the Twelve. After that, He was seen by more than 500 of His followers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died."

1 Samuel 16:11 "Then Samuel asked, 'Are these all the sons you have?' 'There is still the youngest,' Jesse replied. 'But he's out in the fields watching the sheep and goats.' 'Send for him at once,' Samuel said. 'We will not sit down to eat until he arrives.'"

Jeremiah 29:11 "'For I know the plans I have for you,' says the LORD. 'They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.'" 1 Samuel 16:12 "And the LORD said, "This is the one; anoint him.

## **Reflection Questions:**

- 1. Where in my life or calling have I been tempted to give up because the wait has been long or the journey difficult?
- 2. Perseverance isn't just about enduring hardship it's about remaining faithful even when you don't see immediate results. Where is God asking you to keep going?
- 3. Am I staying in the place of prayer and expectation, like the 120, or have I drifted away like the 380?
- 4. Reflect on whether you're showing up consistently in God's presence, trusting that His promise will come in His timing even if you don't know how or when.
- 5. Do I truly believe that God sees me, knows my name, and is preparing something greater despite what my current season looks like?
- 6. Like David, you may feel hidden or delayed, but God has not forgotten you. How might God be using your perseverance to shape your character and prepare you for what's next?