

A Touch From God - Part 4

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God will not go with those who are defiled, but will woo them to leave their defilement behind and seek him with a clean heart.

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Scripture: Exodus 33:3-34

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Description

This sermon emphasizes the importance of leaving behind defilement and seeking a clean place in God's presence. It highlights the need to allow the Holy Spirit to empower deliverance, to avoid being in a place where God cannot walk with us due to defilement. The message stresses the significance of seeking God wholeheartedly, being willing to give more of ourselves, and allowing God to cleanse every area of our lives to experience His glory and presence.

Transcript

He refused to come back into the camp because he was defiled. God said, they're stiff-necked. They're worthy to be destroyed.

Moses intercedes in the camp. And after much crying, God said to Moses, now go. Lead the people into the place of which I've spoken.

My angels shall go before you. I will send an angel. I'll drive out your enemies.

I'll bring you into the land of milk and honey. But I'll not go up in the midst of thee. I read that.

I had to go over and over. God, you're telling these people, I'll send an angel. You go ahead.

I'll give you victories. You go ahead in the land. Go and take your houses.

Take your land. Get your automobiles. Get all them things.

Go, go, go. But I'm going to go with you. Go ahead.

Any gospel you want. I love you, said I'll not destroy you. But I'm not going to go with you.

And Moses knew the risk that would be involved in that. They would always be open to the attack of the enemy. They said, go ahead.

And many in that camp were willing to go on. But Seth honestly believed that there are men today who could run a CEO of any great corporation. They're brilliant men.

They know how to do it. I heard a man say that once, Pastor. And all the people around him said, that man can do it without the Holy Ghost.

Words to that effect. Very intelligent. Because if you're going to do it in the flesh, if you're going to stay in the place of the father, I'm not going with you.

Now, that makes me tremble. You may not be a pastor. You may be a layperson sometimes for a church or wherever you're from.

And you're even here tonight. If you're in a place of defilement, God says, I'm not going with you. I'll woo you.

I'll call you. But you're going to have to leave the camp. You're going to have to leave the defilement behind.

You're going to have to get out in a holy place. And Moses picks up his camp. God says, no use praying.

Don't intercede. Don't do it because there's defilement. I don't care how many tears you shed, sir.

I've been there. And I've seen his mercy. When God was dealing with something in my life, you can shed a river of tears.

You can make him a thousand promises. But until you allow the Holy Spirit by his covenant to come and give you a revelation of how he can empower you to be delivered. Until you want to be free and you get out of that place of defilement and you get to a clean place in Christ.

You can cry and pray all you want. You may see miracles. You can cast out devils.

And you can heal the sick. You can build great buildings and institutions and God not be in a bit of it. God says, I'm not going with you.

That makes me tremble. It frightens me. I read and reread that.

Go. Move on. Fight.

Win battles. You know, I believe there's some churches where if God showed up, if God sent a prophet. If God sent someone with a message ringing from the throne of God.

And it's a loving message dealt with sin. There's some great churches where the majority of the congregation would leave. Because they're satisfied.

Satisfied. Here's what God's calling for. Here's a man who will not give up on his people.

Here's a man who won't quit. Here's a man who's not going to run. Here's a man who's willing to weep for his people.

But here's a man who says, oh, God, and I know you can't move in this situation. There's got to be something you do in my heart. And it's something God wants to do in every heart here tonight.

I don't care if it's gossip that we've been guilty of. And I know what that's like. I have been dealt with that for a long, long time.

God has been dealing with me to never, ever repeat. And occasionally I'll repeat something and have to make it right. I don't have to put my finger on it like the Holy Ghost does tonight while you're here in his presence.

He put his finger on it. And he's called some of you here to deliver you. He's here to say to you lovingly, I know the battle and the struggle you go through.

But as long as that defilement is there, as long as you're in this area, this place of defilement, I can't walk with you. I can convict you. I'll be there.

The Holy Spirit will deal with you. I'm not chastise you. I'll protect you.

God says I'm not going to beat you. I'm not going to touch your child. I'm not going to touch your wife.

I'm not going to send judgment at this point. But God says you're going to miss. You're going to miss the only thing that really matters.

Walking in my presence. Having my presence with you in your house. Having my presence when you walk the street.

Having my presence when you stand in the pulpit. Moses goes out to a place that's clean out of defilement. And it came to pass as Moses entered into the tabernacle.

He's out in a clean place now. The cloudy pillar descended and stood at the door of his tent. And the Lord talked with Moses.

And the Lord spoke to Moses face to face as a man speaks unto his friend. Aaron and the priesthood had become defiled. The people were defiled.

God was prepared if he had to do away with the whole scene. But one man. One man says no, God.

Whatever it takes. And to tell a man it's going to take. Tell Moses, a man meek, a man shut in with God in so many wonderful seasons.

Saying there's more, Moses. I ask more of you. And folks, the more I pray, the more I hear the Holy Spirit say, David, it's going to take more than you have been willing to give at this point.

Because of the times. It's going to take more of your time. You're going to have to deal with every area of your life.

Let me deal with every area of your life so there's no defilement. Because if I can find a man out of the place of defilement. In a clean place with a heart broken.

To seek me with all his heart. I'll send a cloud. I'll send a pillar.

And I'll send the glory. And I'll talk face to face with you. Hallelujah.

Came to pass. That everyone who sought the Lord went out to the tabernacle. The congregation which was outside camp.

You see, when a man steps out. He begins to give God everything. He begins to seek him with all his heart.

His heart's cleaning now. Nothing is going to attract like kind people. You're going to attract every holy godly people.

Folks, it's... This year they have not been able to pack out of church. You can get a semi-christian rock group and fill any building. You see, it's not just filling.

It's not just having a lot of people in the seats. A young man told me recently, a young pastor said, God's been so dealing with me. I really thought God wanted me to pastor a much larger congregation.

But he said, now when I see the hurts among my people. And I see how God's been gracious to me.

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