

REMINDER:

TONIGHT at our Hearts United Prayer at 7pm (& Hour of Power at 6pm), we will be focusing on making powerful declarations in the spirit as we prepare for the 20 days of prayer & fasting in the lead up to the BattleCry on 14th June. Following on from yesterday, some specific things that happen when we continue to declare God's Words and promises in faith over our lives.

WE ENCOURAGE OURSELVES.

There always comes a time in life when our situations are best understood by us only. Things would be so messed up that even our closest allies and friends may not fully comprehend how to help. This was what happened to David in Ziklag.

'...David was now in great danger because all his men were very bitter about losing their sons and daughters, and they began to talk of stoning him. But David found strength in the LORD his God.' – 1 Samuel 30:1-6

David had taken his men to battle with another country. When they returned to Judah, they discovered that the Amalekites had invaded their land and overrun it, captured the people and destroyed the city. Even though David's family also suffered in the attack, his soldiers were so bitter about their own losses that they wanted to kill him.

If there was a time David needed someone to encourage him, it was this moment. But instead, his men, who should have encouraged him planned to get him stoned. David was overwhelmed with the pain of the moment. But he found encouragement in the LORD. He encouraged himself.

When it seems that we are overwhelmed with circumstances, one thing that can bring us encouragement is declaring what God has said.

As we speak the WORD to ourselves and declare it, somehow, we'll find encouragement and strength to face what's happening and overcome it.

Let's DECLARE TODAY:

1 Peter 2:9 establishes I am a CHOSEN generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation. I am God's very own special possession, who has been called out darkness into His marvellous light.

I am joint heir with Jesus and more than a conqueror in Christ.

I am blessed going out and I am blessed coming in. Deut 28:6.

I am the head and not the tail.

God has commanded his blessings on my storehouses. He has opened His good treasures and I shall lend and not borrow.

He has given me the power to make wealth (Deut. 8:18).

According to Psalm 91, I will dwell in the secret place of the MOST HIGH God. I have His protection and provision.

God is my refuge, my fortress in CHRIST - I am not afraid of the enemies' snares.

NO evil shall befall me and no plague will come near my dwelling.

God has given his angels charge over me and they are lifting me up in their hands - so I won't dash my foot against a stone.

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