Do I Have What It Takes?

Are you Equipped for the Hour of Conflict?

Heb. 13:20,21 ESV May the <u>God of peace</u>, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, **21** <u>equip you</u> with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us <u>what is pleasing to him</u>, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen

God Wants Us at Peace, He Wants Us Equipped, and He Wants to Delight in Us. slide

We Need a Timely Revelation of Present Truth

2 Peter 1:12 NKJV "For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the **present truth**."

"What you are feeding on is presently is affecting how you are thinking; what you are thinking about is manifesting in the way that you talk; the way that you talk will govern and or dictate the way act and the way you are acting will produce either bitterness or blessing"

1) It's all about the Kingdom. (My Present Truth)

Rev. 5:9,10 NKJV And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, **10** And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."

- a) God will have a people from all the nations, cultures, languages and skin colors.
- b) They will have a Kingly Anointing and Priestly Anoint to do God's will.

Peter calls us a "royal priesthood". This is the dual nature of a Kingdom Man.

- i) Kings Conquer they rule over their enemies and they take territory
- ii) Priests Lead Others Spiritually The minister to God and to others for God.
- 2) We need a personal word from the scripture.
- 3) We need to come into alignment with our Kingdom Revelation in this hour of conflict.

What are the areas in your life where you feel unequipped?

a) Prayer Life?

- b) Overcoming Fear?
- c) Guarding your Words?
- d) Sharing your faith?
- e) Is the Bible?

Set some goals and get a plan.... But don't forget what really matters!!!

#2 - what really matters is being person who pleases God.

verse 21, may he "equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ"

God promised the children of Israel that he would expand His Kingdom by taking them out of slavery of Egypt and bringing them into a Promised Land. A land flowing with milk and honey.

Upon reaching the Land of Canaan, they realized that the Land of Promise was filled with inhabitants. There were enemies of God living on the promise.

The sent our 12 spies to survey the challenge. When they returned, 10 of those spies gave a report that spread fear and created conflict among God's people. They said, these people are giants! We are like grasshoppers.

However, Caleb and Joshua disagreed and tried to ignite the people faith by declaring, (Numbers 14:8 NKJV) If the Lord delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, 'a land which flows with milk and honey.'

We Need a Timely Revelation of How God Delights In Us.

- 1) Notice it says "if the Lord delights IN US..." it doesn't say if God is delighted "with us"
 - a) Some of us are defeated already because we think God delights in our works, our labors, our behaviors.
 - b) There is no peace in striving and laboring for God's approval.

Your skills and intelligence and success in this world is not what God delights in! That is not what pleases God.

Jeremiah 9:23,24 NKJV Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, Let not the mighty man glory in his might, Nor let the rich man glory in his riches; **24** But let him who glories glory in this, That he understands and knows Me, That I am the Lord, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight," says the Lord.

He delights in those who understand him and know him!

2)	This scripture	gives us the	e means by w	hich, we invit	te God to	delight in us!

- a) It is simply going after God.
- b) God yearns for intimacy with us. It is the very reason he created us.

In the Hour of Conflict... when your enemies are squatting on you promises you need two things:

- 1) A Timely Revelation of Present Truth: We are Kings and Priests unto God and we were created to reign over our enemies.
- 2) A Timely Revelation of How God Delights In Us: These are the people who will possess their promises in God.