Wow! Lots of healing and restoration today! Be blessed.

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Part 26: Kingdom Keys to an Abundant Life

Much Love, Many Blessings and Great Favor!

Texts:

Proverbs 4:20-22 (NKJV) - “My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh.”

Verse 22 – Health - Hebrew: marpe' (mar-pay’) curative, i.e. literally a medicine, or (abstractly) a cure. In other words, this is God's prescription for fixing what's wrong in your life and for living life successfully!

Mark 9:21-24 (NIV) - “Jesus asked the boy’s father, “How long has he been like this?” “From childhood,” he answered. “It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us.” “ ‘If you can’?” said Jesus. “Everything is possible for one who believes.” Immediately the boy’s father exclaimed, “I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!”

"Twelve Immutable Laws of Destiny" - Part Two

A. In the first six immutable laws of destiny, we spoke about the unlimited power of the natural and spiritual laws, or principles, whereby God governs the universe.
1. The use of natural laws can help us achieve our objectives. For example, an aeronautical engineer can design the wing of an airplane to take advantage of the laws of physics, enabling a 747 airliner to lift off the ground and fly. Likewise, you can fulfill the purpose for which God created you by aligning with and applying powerful spiritual laws.

2. If we understand this principle, we realize that our future isn't determined by competing or trying to do better than the next guy.

B. Let's quickly review the first six of these principles of destiny:

1. **Law No. 1** - Everything God has made has a purpose.
   a. *Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)* - “For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared IN ADVANCE for us to do.”

2. **Law No. 2** - Since He made you, that means you have a purpose and a destiny. This scripture also declares that your purpose and works were "prepared in advance."

3. **Law No. 3** - When you were created, God equipped you with gifts, and then released all the heavenly resources that would be required to fulfill your destiny.

4. **Law No. 4** - Everything God gives is in seed form.

5. **Law No. 5** - It is your responsibility to both develop and grow those gifts and resources that are in seed form.

6. **Law No. 6** - When the purposes for which God created you have been achieved, three things will happen:
   a. You will experience inner fulfillment, peace and satisfaction.
   b. Kingdom purposes and objectives will be extended.
   c. Your life will bring glory and honor to God, your Creator.

7. Let's examine two more of these incredible destiny principles that can dramatically change your life.
C. **Law No. 7**- Satan will always oppose the development of our gifts. He seeks to subvert the use of those gifts, just as he opposes the release of resources that will fund our destiny.

1. To fulfill your destiny and purpose, God will allow great challenges to come your way to test you.

2. This was true for Joseph, Moses, David, and anyone who will be mightily used by God.
   a. **Jeremiah 1:11-15 (NIV)** - “The word of the Lord came to me: "What do you see, Jeremiah?" "I see the branch of an almond tree," I replied. The Lord said to me, "You have seen correctly, for I am watching to see that my word is fulfilled." The word of the Lord came to me again: "What do you see?" "I see a pot that is boiling," I answered. "It is tilting toward us from the north." The Lord said to me, "From the north disaster will be poured out on all who live in the land. I am about to summon all the peoples of the northern kingdoms," declares the Lord.”

3. The first reason God allows testing is to prove to YOU that you’re capable of fulfilling your destiny.
   a. Gideon did not believe he could perform the task God had assigned to him. But God proved that Gideon had been equipped the moment his destiny was first assigned to him.
   b. Notice what God told Gideon in **Judges 6:14 (NKJV)** - “Then the LORD turned to him and said, "Go in this might of yours, and you shall save Israel from the hand of the Midianites. Have I not sent you?"

4. The second reason for testing is that challenges DEVELOP what God has placed within you.
   a. Those whom God calls will always be equipped and prepared for their assignment.
   b. Because Jeremiah doubted that he could fulfill his assignment, God gave him a vision and then asked, "What do you see?"
c. This was God's way of teaching Jeremiah that the vision had meaning and significance.

5. The third reason for testing is that challenges will reveal to OTHERS how God's grace is working within you.
   a. While pursuing the calling and purpose for which you were created, you will bring glory to God.
   b. Opposition only causes the glory we give to God to be more pure.
   c. Never allow challenges to discourage you. Instead, you should be discouraged if there are no challenges!

D. Law No. 8 - The greater the opposition, the greater the destiny God has spoken over your life.
   1. Ask Moses. Among 2½ million Israelis, he was the only surviving male his age. Pharaoh killed all the others in an effort to find and kill Moses.
   2. Ask David. He had to spend many years hiding in the wilderness because Saul was seeking to prevent David from fulfilling his destiny.
   3. Ask Jesus. In an effort to kill the infant Messiah, Herod ordered all the male babies in Bethlehem under age two to be slaughtered.
   4. Because we must continually face opposition, mistakes are inevitable. Do not allow your mistakes to prevent the fulfillment of your destiny.
   5. As pointed out, Moses was reared in Pharaoh's palace as his son and was educated to become the next Egyptian ruler. Then, for one mistake, Moses spent the next 40 years as a stranger in the desert. Can you imagine how often he must have questioned, "Why, God? All I had ever planned for my life was snatched away from me. Why did You do this?"
   6. How many of us planned to be the proud owner of a company by this point in our lives. Instead, we're working the night shift at Popeye's. All our education, dreams, and college degrees now seem so useless. With hopes shattered, here we are in the desert!
   7. Then comes another unexpected loss—sickness, divorce, loss of a career or some other setback that knocks you right off your feet. But God still has a purpose for your life! He has plans. And in His own time and way,
God will bring you through! He has a way of making *setbacks* become a *setup* for the fulfillment of destiny!

8. Moses had to remain in the desert until he was convinced that God had brought him out. All those years in the desert provided a wealth of information about the very location where God’s people would be taught many valuable lessons.