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Helps Ministry

Continued

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Ephesians 4:1 “I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,”

1 Corinthians 12:28 “And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.”

Ephesians 4:11-15 “¹¹And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; ¹²For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: ¹³Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: ¹⁴That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:”

We can't stay in the same way as we were when we first went to Christ. We need to grow up and mature in Christ.

Jesus had anointing without measure. This shows that we are somewhat limited in our anointing and that we need each other. The same anointing that is on the apostle is not on a teacher. Likewise, the anointing on a teacher is not always on an apostle. God distributed the anointing of Jesus across the body of Christ, we the people of the church. Without the helps ministry, the head of the church will be handicapped.

Exodus 17:8-13 “⁸Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim. ⁹And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand. ¹⁰So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. ¹¹And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. ¹²But Moses hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. ¹³And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.”

God chose Moses and called him to deliver the Israelites out of Egypt. He was sent away to be educated in the wilderness. After Moses was worldly educated and he started to understand that his strength was not just in his education but also in God, God sent him out to fulfill God's plan for his life.

Joshua served in the helps ministry under Moses for 40 years after they brought the children of Israel out of Egypt. Whenever the Children of Israel went to war against the Amalek, Joshua trusted in Moses' calling and fought when Moses said

to fight. As long as Moses' held his staff, which was the physical symbol of God's power, up over the battlefield, Joshua and his men were winning the war. Whenever Moses started to get tired, Aaron and Hur supported Moses' arm to help him keep the staff raised. Joshua, Aaron, and Hur understood that they were only helpers unto Moses. They did not try to take over Moses' position. They knew his calling and trusted in his calling to help without complaint.

HELPS= Having Enough Loving People Serving

Matthew 14:16-21 “¹⁶But Jesus said unto them, They need not depart; give ye them to eat. ¹⁷And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes. ¹⁸He said, Bring them hither to me. ¹⁹And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. ²⁰And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full. ²¹And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.”

Jesus just prayed over the food in the above verse, then He trusted his helpers, the disciples to pass out the food to the multitude.

Exodus 18:18-21 “¹⁸Thou wilt surely wear away, both thou, and this people that is with thee: for this thing is too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone. ¹⁹Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee: Be thou for the people to God-ward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God: ²⁰And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do. ²¹Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:”

Although Moses was great, he would not do everything alone. Moses' main purpose was to pray for his people and to teach them the ways of God. With no teaching, there is no knowledge.

Part of the mission for the Five Fold Ministry (Apostles, Pastors, Teachers, Prophets, and Evangelist) is to equip people to help in the church and to pray for the people.

Matthew 8:23-26 “²³And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him. ²⁴And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep. ²⁵And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish. ²⁶And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.”

This is often a downside of the helps ministry. We can easily feel as if no one appreciates our work that we do for the Kingdom of God. The attitude of under appreciation can cripple us. Instead of feeling under appreciated, the disciples should have stood up and rebuked the storm.

Those helping in the helps ministry need to take time out to spend with the Lord. We can so easily get too busy to spend time with the Lord that it becomes very easy to loose site of the main goal of all of our work.

Both the Five Fold Ministry and the helps ministry need to spend time with the Lord. David had three anointing. He was first anointed when he was called by Samuel. He was anointed in the greatest measure in Jerusalem.

1 Chronicles 12:1-2 “Now these are they that came to David to Ziklag, while he yet kept himself close because of Saul the son of Kish: and they were among the mighty men, helpers of the war. ²They were armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and the left in hurling stones and shooting arrows out of a bow, even of Saul's brethren of Benjamin.”

1 Chronicles 12:17-23 “¹⁷And David went out to meet them, and answered and said unto them, If ye be come peaceably unto me to help me, mine heart shall be knit unto you: but if ye be come to betray me to mine enemies, seeing there is no wrong in mine hands, the God of our fathers look thereon, and rebuke it. ¹⁸Then the spirit came upon Amasai, who was chief of the captains, and he said, Thine are we, David, and on thy side, thou son of Jesse: peace, peace be unto thee, and peace be to thine helpers; for thy God helpeth thee. Then David received them, and made them captains of the band. ¹⁹And there fell some of Manasseh to David, when he came with the Philistines against Saul to battle: but they helped them not: for the lords of the Philistines upon advisement sent him away, saying, He will fall to his master Saul to the jeopardy of our heads. ²⁰As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jedaiel, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captains of the thousands that were of Manasseh. ²¹And they helped David against the band of the rovers: for they were all mighty men of valour, and were captains in the host. ²²For at that time day by day there came to David to help him, until it was a great host, like the host of God. ²³And these are the numbers of the bands that were ready armed to the war, and came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of the LORD.”

1 Chronicles 12:28 “And Zadok, a young man mighty of valour, and of his father's house twenty and two captains.”

Without the helps ministry, God's plan will never be fulfilled in any measure on any level.

1 Chronicles 28:21 “²¹And, behold, the courses of the priests and the Levites, even they shall be with thee for all the service of the house of God: and there shall be with thee for all manner of workmanship every willing skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the people will be wholly at thy commandment.”