

Being Empowered to Excel 11

Your Destiny is Bigger than your adversity

No giants can rob you of God's destiny. See how God can turn any giants into opportunities and how extraordinary challenges produces extraordinary people.

Gen 18:14

Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the **appointed** time I will return to you, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son." NKJV

Every **intention** – set time - God's timing - **best**

Preparing – command – Sarai → Sarah - **Shaped**

Better to be **shaped** in ch than in the world – harsh – no chance

Used a **defective** product – won't buy same manufacturer

I can't do it alone – I have the help of ZP. Like the elders of Moses and deacons of the apostles – ZP help to care and mentor the youth

My job – expound the word

Acts 2:42-43

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching ... 43 Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles.

– tried to get job big film studio – dream – touch peo thru movie

Had studied – good edu – only get a part time job – go on for 3 yrs – only come when someone is not there – not disc – never complain – did her best – kind - friendly
One day – maternity - CEO – notice the young lady – hired full time – promotion – 7 yrs – VP – film studio – decide which movie will be produced

Wait w att of **expectation** – I may not know when – but it can be **today**

This is day

Send pros **now** – not tomorrow – end of year - Dec

Talk, walk, think like it is today – healed, pros – 23

Outlook changed - Passion - faith arise – Cornie

One day closer

Deuteronomy 1:10-11

The LORD your God who has made you as **numerous** as the **stars** in the sky, make you **increase** a **thousand** times **more** and make you **prosperous**, as He **promised!** JY

You may think – you are already doing well – numerous but you have not touch even the tip of the iceberg of blessings that God has for you!

Your destiny is always **bigger** than your giants

When God gives a dream – not mean – everything smooth

What **kind** of giants?

Circum – bad finan – lost job – bad report fr doc – exam result

People – **parent** didn't raise you right – **somebody** walk out on you – **boss** ignore you, **undercut** by business colleagues – **friends** talk bad

Giants can **never** defeat you – your destiny always **exceeds** your giants – **promote** not defeat - **why**

1. God can turn the 'goliath' of problem into a 'goliath' of opportunities

David – known as shepherd boy – if no goliath

1 Sam 17:45-48

45 Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.46 This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand ...

Num 14:7-9

The land we passed through to spy out is an exceedingly good land.8 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.' 9 Only do not rebel against the LORD, nor fear the people of the land, for they are our **bread**; their protection has departed from them, and the LORD is with us. Do not fear them. NKJV

The giants can never defeat you when you have a visionary mindset

What kind of visionary mindset we must have to turn giants into opportunities?

Peo of Moses - **defeated not by giants**

Farmer – came to town – use a mill frog legs

A farmer came into town and asked the owner of a restaurant if he could use a million frog legs. The restaurant owner was shocked and asked the man where he could get so many frog legs! The farmer replied, "There is a pond near my house that is full of frogs - millions of them. They all croak all night long and they are about to make me crazy!" So the restaurant owner and the farmer made an agreement that the farmer would deliver frogs to the restaurant, five hundred at a time for the next several weeks.

The first week, the farmer returned to the restaurant looking rather sheepish, with two scrawny little frogs. The restaurant owner said, "Well... where are all the frogs?" The farmer said, "I was mistaken. There were only these two frogs in the pond. But they sure were making a lot of noise!"

Fact – Rahab told – yet - afraid

Isaiah 40:31

31 Those who wait, (set his hope and trust) in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. JY

Thru life – meet few – crow – chic - hawks

Amazing when - crow pestering – eagle not fight - soar – know cannot live

When a crow is **pestering** eagle – eagle **even** bigger – I'll show - don't fight – much **smarter - soar** even eagle bigger – more powerful – doesn't fight crow - I will show you – little trouble maker – much smarter – - soar – catch the current – thermal wind - rise above them

Eagle knows Chicken hawk crow **cannot live** at the elevation that he can live in – spotted 35,000 ft – where big jets fly

People say – **grasshoppers** – don't dwell on it

Time in his presence – see vision

Psa 37:1,8

Do not be preoccupied(fret, worried, anxious, angry) with evildoers. Do not envy those who do wicked things. GW 8 Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret--it leads only to evil.

An eagle will **never** do what crow doing – too big for that

When people talk about you

Midst of crows – eagles soar high – **ignore** the negative voice — **destiny** don't let that poison get on inside – **limit** your destiny

2. No one, not even any giants, can rob you of your commanded blessing

Num 23:20

20 Behold, I have received a **command** to bless; He has blessed, and I cannot reverse it. NKJV

Dhinakaran – why many workers in poverty – not called

Balaam – false prophet; take care of different types:

Proverbs 24:3-6

No circum or peo can rob you of what God has in store for you.

How to have the commanded blessing?

1 Kings 17:9

9 "Go at once to Zarephath of Sidon and stay there. I have commanded a widow in that place to supply you with food."

Speak God's word and do God's word:

Little spring – used a **crow** supply Zarephath – hometown of Jezebell Commanded thing – Cornie

Make up your mind to be victors not victims

, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.⁴⁷ Then all this assembly shall know that the LORD does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's, and He will give you into our hands."

NKJV

Ziglak – very day – Saul killed - 48 hrs - crowned

2 Samuel 22:40-43

40 You armed me with strength for battle; you made my adversaries bow at my feet.

41 You made my enemies turn their backs in flight, and I destroyed my foes.

42 They cried for help, but there was no one to save them-

to the LORD, but he did not answer.

43 I beat them as fine as the dust of the earth; I pounded and trampled them like mud in the streets.

Many – face difficulties - instead of **fighting** a good fight of faith – give up in disc

Kid – sickness – job - under

Prob Big – not too big for God – **armed you w strength**

Type 99KM tank – China

Child – ma – seriously sick

Do the **commanded** thing – stay in faith

Sometimes, sm thing – flat tire –

traffic – peo - talk

Don't look for it

Martyr

Jacob – Shechem – Bethel

Why do people talk about you?

Why peo talk – listen – becos you are extraordinary

– they don't talk about ord people – **extraord - JO**

Talk - No big deal – **shake** – move People talked about **Jesus** – Jesus not upset – just shake off dust – move on – focus – calling to Jerusalem

Knew God's **call** – **beloved**

Why bless **unusual** way – young people – inspired to succeed

Why does God wants 'fathers' to be blessed – can impart the anointing to get wealth

3. You are an extraordinary person

Isaiah 8:18

18 Behold, I and the children whom the Lord has given me are **signs and wonders** in the land, says the LORD Almighty ... JY

Deut 14:2-3

2 For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, above all the nations that are upon the earth. KJV

Chosen treasured possession. NIV

Special treasure. NJKV

His own special treasure. NLT

Extraordinary challenges produce extraordinary people

What will extraordinary challenges do?

Av people – av prob

Extraord problem - You not av – **extraord**

Psalms 107:23-25

23 Others went out on the sea in ships; they were merchants on the mighty waters. 24 They saw the works of the LORD, his wonderful deeds in the deep. 25 For he spoke and stirred up a tempest that lifted high the waves.

Deep waters – can't touch ground – times

– don't see how work out – imp

opport to see God's power

Genesis 50:20

20 You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

Why did God – allow Joseph - pit

Not average chieftain – extraord PM of world empire

Why did that guy leave me - spend all time - **guilt - blaming** self – or **angry**

he too ord – sm - bigger

Romans 9:25

25 As he says in Hosea: "I will call them 'my people' who are not my people; and I will call her 'my loved one' who is not my loved one,"

RLC – Cosa – raise up extraordinary

Why is it important to have big vision?

Extraordinary vision produces extraordinary people

Extraord vision – extraord peo

Sm vision – sm peo

Heard story of a ch pastor – left 2 mill in building fund to complete

Only **one** raise hand – the rest - **disagree**

Kansas – 2 books, coins, 10,000 10 mill

I was preaching on Vision in Kansas city. It was an evening service with a few hundred people. But the pastor duplicated the tape to 2000 of his members. One listening to the message was so caught up with the vision of the church that he asked the Lord to make him a giver. He is not rich but he wanted to give. The Lord led him to an antique store where he purchased an old book. He flipped it open and he found a gold coin. He sold the gold coin for US \$10,000. He gave it to the church. The Lord also led him to another store to purchase another book. He also found another gold coin and

again he sold it for US \$10,000. When you have a heart to give, the Lord will open up channels for you.

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