



## **NOTES ON PARTNERSHIP**

**Supernatural needs are only met by supernatural power, operating in supernatural order through supernatural gifts obedient to supernatural direction.**

**The order of God's appointment to the ministry generally follows this pattern:**

- 1. Calling**
- 2. Preparation**
- 3. Separation and Sending**

**God measures all ministers and ministries by the spiritual maturity which an individual has developed in The Word and The Spirit. It requires a fully consecrated life in Jesus Christ.**

**Over the years I have learned that whether you pastor a church of 5 people or 5,000 people, God looks at the heart of the minister.**

### **THE CALLING**

#### **1 Timothy 1:12 Amplified**

**I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has granted me [the needed] strength and made me able for this, because He considered me faithful and trustworthy, putting me into service [for this ministry],**

**God loves people. He sent His own Son to the Cross for people.**

**He did not send redemption for anything else in creation — only for people.**

**He left us here on the earth after we were saved for one purpose: PEOPLE.**

**The Great Commission, the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and The Local Church with its many programs are all tools God has given us to bless people.**

**Jesus did not go into Satan's domain to redeem money. He went for people and brought back material spoils as well. We are fully redeemed.**

#### **Isaiah 53:12**

**12 Therefore I'll reward him extravagantly—the best of everything, the highest honors —Because he looked death in the face and didn't flinch, because he embraced the company of the lowest. He took on his own shoulders the sin of the many, he took up the cause of all the black sheep.**



**Jesus Christ depended on The Holy Spirit to run His ministry here on earth. We must know that The Holy Spirit is an integral part of our life and ministry as believers.**

**However, it will be unwise to think that you don't need any man for anything. Jesus Christ who is the Son of God in human form understood this and used it to fulfil His ministry and purpose here on earth.**

**He understood that He needed men. God has put solutions in people and has put those people around all of us who are called.**

**Jesus's Life and Ministry started with God the Father-Sending Him. Then by sign of a Star, three individuals from the east known as Magi, followed instructions and collected gifts suitable for a King.**

**Look at this verse with me:**

**Luke 8:2-3 KJV**

**2) And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,**

**3) And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.**

**I believe that Luke is telling us that these women who accompanied Jesus helped to finance HIS MINISTRY.**

**They were vital Partners that willingly joined themselves with Jesus to proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom of God.**

**Those who share in the costs of ministry, participate as partners in that ministry.**

**Your Harvests, I want you to know that I meant Harvests, plural, Are Coming Toward You, Every Moment of Your Life. However, it is your responsibility to recognize and celebrate when these manifest.**

**Remember when Jesus said in:**

**Matthew 10:41-42**

**41) Anyone who received a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward.**

**42) And if anyone gives a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward.**



**Partnership requires both parties to be Reward Minded, Advantage Minded, Extremely Favored Minded.**

**Ok now look at when Jesus needed to go into Jerusalem, He required a colt. One of His disciples had one and he made it available.**

**Luke 19:29-34 Message**

**29) When he got near Bethphage and Bethany at the mountain called Olives, he sent off two of the disciples with instructions:**

**30) "Go to the village across from you. As soon as you enter, you'll find a colt tethered, one that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it.**

**31) If anyone says anything, asks, 'What are you doing?' say, 'His Master needs him.' "**

**32) The two left and found it just as he said.**

**33) As they were untying the colt, its owners said, "What are you doing untying the colt?"**

**34) They said, "His Master needs him."**

**Another example of Partnership is when Jesus needed protection so he chose a boat.**

**Mark 3:9-10 New Heart English Bible**

**9) And he told his disciples that a small boat should stay near him because of the crowd, so that they would not press on him.**

**10) For he had healed many, so that as many as had diseases pressed on him that they might touch him.**

**On Passover, Jesus needed to have this Passover Supper with all of His disciples and only His disciples and needed to break bread with them. This would be the last time he would celebrate Passover with these soon world changers in this manner.**

**Luke 22:7-12 HCSB**

**7) Then the Day of Unleavened Bread came when the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed.**

**8) Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover meal for us, so we can eat it."**

**9) "Where do You want us to prepare it?" they asked Him.**

**10) "Listen," He said to them, "when you've entered the city, a man carrying a water jug will meet you. Follow him into the house he enters.**

**11) Tell the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks you, "Where is the guest room where I can eat the Passover with My disciples?"'**

**12) Then he will show you a large, furnished room upstairs. Make the preparations there."**



**This is why Jesus intentionally raised partners. He knew the solutions He would need on this earth had been put in people.**

**These Partners Believed in Jesus' Purpose, There were Eyewitnesses To Jesus' Passion. Many of them personally were Healed, Delivered and Fully Restored.**

**Because of this they were willing to use their resources to assist Jesus in His Ministry.**

**Most of the things we engage in, pray for and call on, heavens resources to fund and fulfill our Assignment, our partners have been raised up to solve, provide and eliminate needs.**

**Notice what John said about the support of traveling preachers:**

**3 John 6-8**

- 6) You will do well to send them on their way in a manner worthy of God.**
- 7) For they went out for the sake of the Name, accepting nothing from the Gentiles.**
- 8) Therefore we ought to support such men, so that we may be fellow workers with the truth"**

**John said that the brethren to whom he wrote should "send [these men] on their way in a manner worthy of God."**

**This is the same kind of sending that the church in Antioch did with Saul and Barnabas. John said that those who engage in the work of preaching the gospel of Christ ought to be supported.**

**Here Are Vital Points:**

**Partners are raised up to support in proclaiming the gospel by those who have previously benefited from their ministry.**

**Once again this is the case in Luke 8:1-3, These women had personally benefited from Jesus' ministry to them, and they supported His ministry to others.**

**Paul was supported by the Macedonians, to whom he had previously ministered in Philippians 1:3-6; 4:10-13.**



**Romans 10:14 KJV**

**14) How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher?**

**Paul proceeded to tell them of the critical role of preaching Salvation.**

**Paul indicated that the sending of preachers is also crucial.**

**Romans 10:15**

**How will they preach unless they are sent?**

**As Saul and Barnabas were about to begin their first preaching journey, we read of two types of sending – the miraculously-given directive from above, and the support that allows the preacher to carry out his work of teaching the gospel.**

**Acts 13:1-3**

**“Now there were at Antioch, in the church that was there, prophets and teachers: Barnabas, and Simeon who was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. While they were ministering to the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, ‘Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them,’ Then, when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away”**

**First, we see that the Holy Spirit instructed the church to set apart Saul and Barnabas for a specific mission.**

**Second, we see that the church “sent them away.” What does this mean? Did the church instruct them what to do and dictate where they would go?**

**No, this was what the Holy Spirit had done – “the work to which I [the Holy Spirit] has called them.”**

**So, if the revelation of Saul and Barnabas going out to preach originated with the Holy Spirit and not the church, so in what way did the church SEND them?**

**The church in Antioch sent Saul and Barnabas by providing the monetary support necessary for them to do their work.**

**The scriptures are full of the revelation of partnership.**