

Tone Setters: Do You Dare?

As is our normal practice, on December 31, 2019, Apostle Leander Robinson cast the vision for the year 2020 and conveyed that our theme for the year is “IT’S TIME!!! – TO FOCUS ON THE FAMILY! THE YEAR OF ACTIVATING AND LAUNCHING!” As I sought the Lord regarding this direction – the Lord highlighted a few things about our theme for me. The theme for this year is a continuation of the theme from 2019 (“IT’S TIME!!! – TO FOCUS ON THE FAMILY!”), with a directional shift – The Year of ACTIVATING and LAUNCHING. God is an intentional God and He is purposeful in His wording. This is a year of “Activating” and “Launching” continuing ad-infinitum or as one online explanation cited “continuing forever or without limit.” It is from this mindset that this word comes.

2020 Prophetic Word to the Church

A Time of Openness

As we set ourselves upon this new leg of the race before us, my sensing is of newness and openness. The impression that the Lord has given me is of one standing under an open Heaven - before a new door. There is a charge in the atmosphere for those who would DARE! Those whose expectancy and perseverance can activate their faith-filled actions and launch them beyond what they see or feel in the natural. There is a child-like wonder to this year. The mental picture the Lord has shown me is of an eager father waiting, both to show off for his child and to be impressed by the “request” of his child. This is a demonstrative year for the Lord. What is it that you believe *your* Father can do?

We are in a time where opportunity is all around us. This is not a year to let, “If the Lord wills...” become a hindrance for us. Do not wait to begin your “doing.” The Lord has released us to seize the opportunities that are before us and create the space for our blessings. The Lord encourages us to take advantage of the access that He has given us. The Lord is multiplying the leverage that we have laid up in the heavens and is expanding our influence in our networks. We are to be ready when opportunity knocks at our door, but more so we are to knock at the door of opportunity.

Tone Setters

This year God has called us to be tone setters. The Lord would say that we set the conditions for this year.

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (TLB)

If you wait for perfect conditions, you will never get anything done.

Make no mistake, this will be a year of highs and lows, calm skies and turbulent waves. Clouded vision will derail those whose eyes are set upon the conditions around them. The Lord calls us to create the conditions for a move of God. God is not moved by our worldly institutional or economic systems; He is moved by faith. The Lord cautions us that our “doing” should match our “speaking.” We are to be careful of the words from our mouths for the wind will catch them, and we set the tone!

The Lord reminds me of the words Apostle spoke to us last year, “When You Can’t See Anything Happening, See What He Said” – Apostle Leander Robinson. We are to keep our sight on the Words that the Lord has spoken over us. I am reminded that the Lord has long told us that He has been preparing “inroads” for us. In this year, God will reveal favor in areas where we have and haven’t sown to be revealed to us. By the Lord’s leading, I sense that the Lord is preparing customized blessings for us this year.

Demonstration and Restoration

I continue to sense that collectively the Lord is doing an outward work in us. Focus directed into the community holds many blessings for us this year. There are those who will be pulled in from demonstrations of integrity and genuineness shown in the care displayed in the community, and those who will be attracted by the display of excellence that is witnessed. The Lord calls us to let our light shine.

Even as the year ended, we began to witness the reactivation of some of the “dry bones” that the Lord had warned us of in the prophetic word delivered through Pastor Lois last year. The Lord calls us to continue this work. It is not His desire that we should wither on a nutritious vine. This is an internal, individual work that has been assigned to each of us. The Lord is primed to restore us. The Lord reminds us that the “same grace” is extended before us. The “same faith” will work for us. Will you be made whole? The Lord will restore the dream in you.

The Lord reminds us that in this year of much “doing,” family focus is still key. The Lord continues the work of restoring, healing, and strengthening our natural and spiritual families. He calls us to be gatekeepers around that work, even as He now calls us to action. This is a year with generational repercussions. We are to be ever mindful that we are the tone setters. We set the tone in our families, in our church, on our jobs, in our schools, in our homes, and in our communities. The Lord would ask, Tone setters, “What do you dare for this year?”