

DIVINE LIVING

EX 3:1 And **the angel of the LORD appeared unto him** in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was* not consumed.

3 And Moses said, **I will now turn aside, and see this great sight**, why the bush is not burnt.

5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest *is* **holy ground**.

Heb word for “holy” is “qodesh”. It means a sacred place; sanctuary, consecrated, dedicated.

God is waiting for us to “turn aside”. The great things of God are worth a closer look; so make the effort, find and appreciate sacred places. At least show God you are interested in signs and wonders. Look for and appreciate those miracles in every congregational service.

1KIN 19:19 So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who *was* plowing *with* twelve yoke *of oxen* before him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah passed by him, and **cast his mantle upon him**.

Heb. Word for mantle is “addereth”. Meaning: robe, garment, glory.

The placement of Elijah’s mantle on Elisha was a prophetic act by a Prophet of God. Obedience and commitment tested Elisha’s personal hunger for “divine living”. He hungered for the miraculous. I believe Elisha’s faithfulness to Elijah was a prophetic apprenticeship. Upon completion Elisha walked an anointed Prophetic lifestyle. He was a participant and saw great miracles.

1 KIN 19:21...Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and ministered unto him.

These miracles didn’t happen immediately after the placement of the mantle. Elisha ministered unto the Lord whilst ministering unto Elijah. His obedience and daily increase in faith resulted in both a prophetic and miracle ministry. Look at Elisha’s faithful service record. (2 Kin 2:1-6)

ACT 26:16 "But rise, and stand upon thy feet: **for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose**, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee; "

God’s visitation is always purposeful. For Saul it was more than a lifestyle change, it was a “spiritual vocation”. God told Saul he would appear to him in the future.

Divine visitation should be not thought of as a one-time event. We must look for the heavenly windows to open. Because ministry is creative it is ever expansive, hence we will experience many future visitations of the Lord. Saul having heard the “divine voice” of Christ obeyed and later became more than an able minister, he became a revelatory divine voice with apostolic leadership. Like Paul, we will never forget divine encounters with God. We need to record some of them.

2COR 3:6 Who also hath made us able ministers of the New Testament;

EPH 3:7 Whereof **I was made a minister**, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me **by the effectual working of his power**.

The Greek word for minister is “diakonas” To run on errands, a waiter, deacon, servant, minister.

2TIM 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle,

The Greek word for appointed is “tithemi”. To bow, commit, kneel down, give, ordain, purpose, settle, sink down.

Isaiah’s divine call to service started with his visions of the heavenly realm. Isaiah saw the King of Kings and the heavenly beings, one of that touched his mouth with fire. (Isa 6:5-7) Once Isaiah’s life (mouth) was cleansed, God showed him the fields of harvest. It was then that Isaiah answered the call for service. (Isa 6:8)

ISA 6:5 Then said I, Woe *is* me! **for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips**, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: **for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts. 6Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which** he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: **7And he laid it upon my mouth**, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

Heb. Word for undone (v.5) is “damah”. Be brought to silent; to cut down.

ISA 6:8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, **Here am I; send me**.

JER 1:9 Then **the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth**. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, **I have put my words in thy mouth**.

EX 4:15 And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth: **and I will be with thy mouth**, and with his mouth, **and will teach you what ye shall do**.

God wants us in His service and he wants to anoint us to serve. Anointed service will usually mean that God will touch our mouths by placing His anointed words within our spirit. (Jer 1:9) Our spirit man must first be cleansed. (Isa 6:5-7) The incoming word from God must become the outgoing word to His people.

MK 16:20 And they went forth, and preached every where, **the Lord working with *them***, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

DAN 10:10 And, behold, **an hand touched me**, which set me upon my knees and *upon* the palms of my hands. 11And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, **understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright:** for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling.

Daniel experienced the hand of an angel touching him. To walk in this divine call Daniel was asked to stand. (See also Eze 2:1)

THE Hebrew word for stand is “amad”. It means to be employed, ordain, present (self), abide, serve.

We simply need to show up for work; as there’s plenty to be done.