

YEAR OF GLORY TO GOD:

“HOW WILL MY TESTIMONY MAKE THE "GLORY LIST OF 2021”?

“CAN YOU CALL GOD ‘ABBA FATHER’?”

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TEXT

Mark 16:36 “Abba, Father,” Jesus cried out, “everything is possible for you.

³⁷ Then He returned and found the disciples asleep. He said to Peter, “Simon, are you asleep? ... ³⁸ Keep watch and pray, so that you will not give in to temptation. ³⁹ Then Jesus left them again and prayed the same prayer as before. ⁴¹ When he returned to them the third time, he said, ...—the time has come. The Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴³ And immediately, even as Jesus said this, Judas, one of the twelve disciples, arrived with a crowd of men armed with swords and clubs.

Galatians 4:6 “Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

Romans 8:15 “For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, “Abba! Father!”

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Brethren, "Abba Father" is the greatest and heaviest of all prayers.

Romans 8:15 says that a man can only cry out, "Abba! Father!" through the power of the Holy Ghost. This means if the Holy Spirit in You is not not active, you cannot cry out Abba Father.

Brethren, there are different levels of testimonies.

Examples:

1. there is category #1, when anything is done for us:

If you ask, you will receive

If you seek, you will find

If you knock, I will open.

2. The desire of the righteous will not be cut off.

At this point, even what you have desired in your heart will be done for you.

At the elementary levels, many simple testimonies happen. We see God as the giver, the helper, the one that blesses, all the simple loving names of God.

But there is category #2 when God expects us to progress to maturity. He expects us to act differently. At this point, it will look like even the simple testimonies seem to have seized.

For instance,

Hebrews 6:1 says, “Therefore let us move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and **of faith in God,**”

1 Corinthians 2:6 “Among the mature, however, we speak a message of wisdom(not a message of faith in God or repentance from sin).

Hebrews 5:12 – 14 warns that there is time out at elementary level.

“Although by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to reteach you

you the basic principles of God's word. You need milk, not solid food!"...¹⁴"But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained their senses to distinguish good from evil."

Brethren, at maturity level, God begins to hold us accountable...

- Accountability for discernment – able to distinguish good from evil Heb. 5:14).
- Accountability to hear when He speaks on every occasion – ¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me. (John 10:24).
- My sheep listens to my voice, I know them and they follow me.(John 10:27)
- ¹⁶ I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.
- **Brethren**, the sheep that are not of the sheep pen are those that are not yet matured and they don't hear from God. Jesus said, I must bring them in.

At maturity level, we see God in bigger lights:

- The Creator of the Ends of the Earth
- The One that Speaks and it comes to be

- The All Sufficient One
- The Controller of the universe
- The Consuming Fire

At maturity, therefore, you know what God can do.

Then there is the category #3 when God wants to use us to do exploit (great things on earth)

- At this point, we must learn to call God '**Abba Father**' because the pain can be huge.

For instance:

Daniel 11:32 “the people who do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.”

1 Peter 2:9 “But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.”

John 16:21 “Whenever a woman is in labor she has pain, because her hour has come; but when she gives birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish

anguish because of the joy that a child has been born into the world.

Brethren, when Jesus began to pray Abba Father, it was the last prayer He prayed before He began His journey of exploit.

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Brethren, the bible says that no one knows the time or the hour.

It is God that makes the decision of when to move us to the phase of exploit.

At this point we must travail to prevail ...

1. We must remember to cry out to God

Psalms 5:2 David said “²Give heed to the voice of my cry, My King and my God”

2. We must remember what God has said to us...

Jesus always remembered what God said about Him when John baptized Him in the Jordan River. “¹⁰ As Jesus came up out of the water, He saw the heavens splitting apart and the Holy Spirit descending on Him like a dove. ¹¹ **And a voice from heaven said, “You are my dearly loved Son,, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.” (Mark 1: 10-11).**

From the moment He heard the voice He began to operate in maturity and He was enjoying victories BUT when it came to the point of exploit, it more was required of Him to exhibit a higher level of intimacy with God as maturity alone was no longer enough. Jesus response, rising from the depths of his soul, was Abba – a term meant to be very intimate.

Hebrews 12:2

“Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right

hand of the throne of God.

Jesus knew when to get into deeper level with God and move from mere maturity to a level that He called God Abba Father.

Brethren, as Christians, we are at different point in the journey,

Level 1: Once you pray, God answers and you are surrounded with teachers of God's word.

Level 2: Maturity level, more accountability and higher knowledge of God.

Exploit Level: Different push, more intimate relationship with God (Abba Father level). **Here we Call God Abba Father to make things happen.**

We must be on the look out for these levels.

Matthew 24:36 "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

You must expect the levels as we look up to God for testimonies.

Acts 1:7-8

7 Jesus replied, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by His own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Daniel 2:21

“He changes times and seasons; he deposes kings and raises up others. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning.

We must be on the look out and

“¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.” (**Ephesians 5:16**)

Let us be prepared to CALL HIM ‘ABBA FATHER’ the moment it becomes necessary.

GOD BLESS YOU.