



Releasing Supernatural Ministry Into the Marketplace

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The Napkin

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Why did Jesus fold the linen cloth after His resurrection?

The Gospel of John (20: 7) tells us that the napkin, which was placed over the face of Jesus, was not just thrown aside like the grave clothes. The Bible takes an entire verse to tell us that the napkin was neatly folded, and was placed at the head of that stony coffin. Is that important? You'd better believe it! Is that significant? Absolutely! Is it really significant? Yes!

In order to understand the significance of the folded napkin,

you have to understand a little bit about Hebrew tradition of that day. The folded napkin had to do with the Master and Servant, and every Jewish boy knew this tradition. When the servant set the dinner table for the master, he made sure that it was exactly the way the master wanted it. The table was furnished perfectly and then the servant would wait, just out of sight, until the master had finished eating, and the servant would not dare touch that table, until the master was finished.

Now if the master was done eating, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers, his

mouth, and clean his beard, and would wad up that napkin and toss it onto the table. The servant would then know to clear the table. For in those days, the wadded napkin meant, "I'm done". But if the master got up from the table, and folded his napkin, and laid it beside his plate, the servant would not dare touch the table, because the servant knew that the folded napkin meant, "I'm not finished yet." The folded napkin meant, "I'm coming back!"

He is Coming Back!



How can they be saved if they don't believe?

How can they believe if they don't hear?

How can they hear unless someone goes and tells them?



“One Anothering Scriptures”

“Love one another - John 13:34

Forgiving one another – Ephesians 4:32

Accepting one another – Romans 15:7

Be devoted to one another - Romans 12:1

Bearing with one another – Colossian 3:13

Being devoted to one another - Romans 12:10

Honoring one another above ourselves- Romans 12:10

Greeting one another – II Corinthians 13:12

Being hospitable to one another - I Peter 4:9

Being kind and compassionate to one another - Ephesians 4:32

Sharing with one another – Hebrews 13:16

Serving one another - Galatians 5:13

Carrying one another's burdens - Galatians 6:2

Building up one another – 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Encouraging one another daily - Hebrews 3:13

Comforting one another - I Thessalonians 4:18

Stimulating one another to love and good deeds - Heb 10:24

Instructing one another - Romans 15:14

Admonishing one another - Colossians 3:16

Praying for one another - James 5:16

Confessing your sins to one another - James 5:16

Being of the same mind toward one another – Romans 12:16

Submitting to one another - Ephesians 5:21

Living For A Greater Cause

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What does it mean for workplace believers to live for a cause greater than themselves in our day and time? Jeremiah Lanphier was a businessman in New York City who asked God to do this in his life in 1857.

In a small, darkened room, in the back of one of New York City's lesser churches, a man prayed alone. His request of God was simple, but earth-shattering: "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" [John Woodbridge, ed., *More Than Conquerors* (Chicago, Illinois: Moody Press, 1992), 337]

He was a man approaching midlife without a wife or family, but he had financial means. He made a decision to reject

the "success syndrome" that drove the city's businessmen and bankers. God used this businessman to turn New York City's commercial empire on its head. He began a businessmen's prayer meeting on September 23, 1857. The meetings began slowly, but within a few months 20 noonday meetings were convening daily throughout the city. The New York Tribune and the New York Herald issued articles of revival. It had become the city's biggest news. Now a full-fledged revival, it moved outside New York. By spring of 1858, 2,000 met daily in Chicago's Metropolitan Theatre, and in Philadelphia the meetings mushroomed into a four-month long tent meeting. Meetings were held in Balti-

more, Washington, Cincinnati, Chicago, New Orleans, and Mobile. Thousands met to pray because one man stepped out. Annus Mirabilis, the year of national revival, had begun.

This was an extraordinary move of God through one man. It was unique because the movement was led by businessmen, a group long considered the least prone to any form of evangelical fervor, and it had started on Wall Street, the most unlikely of all places to begin.

Could God do something extraordinary through you? Take a step. Ask God to do mighty things through you.

Why Must We Ruin Our Witness

by Rod Davis, Kingdom Business Network Director

As marketplace believers, our highest calling is to proclaim the name of our God, where we operate on a daily basis in the business arenas. Why is it, that we sometimes have an uncanny knack of ruining our testimony in the most innocuous ways?

We all know and strive to do the things those scripture commands, by walking in love, not getting involved in petty office bickering, etc.

We "don't smoke, don't chew, don't run with those that do..."

However, I continually see and hear about folks who jeopardize their witness by things that should be easy to control:

Personal integrity:

Sadly, so many born again believers seem to have trouble with this one. Being a person of your word, having a sense of honor in business and most importantly treating finances with the highest integrity.

A Christian, who pays his or her bills on time, will have much more impact when witnessing than those who treat their money irresponsibly. In my own business, I can think of two customers who are very well known for their love of the Lord, but are the most difficult to collect from among all my customers.

Granola Christians:

Another sure way to trash your witness in the marketplace is to come across as a spiritual "nut". I have known quite a few of these in my day, who are so misguided in what they think it is to be spiritual, that almost all the Christians that know them avoid them. I am certain that sinners just use them as weird examples of why they want nothing to do with Christianity. We call them "Granola Christians" (fruits, flakes and nuts). I once heard it said the modern Charismatic church was "doctrinally bankrupt". I fear in many cases that may be true, based on the unscriptural things I hear from

supposedly "mature" Christians. A good grounding in the basic tenants of the faith will help a lot.

I would warn you, my friends, in all love and compassion, make all your dealings, whether spiritual or secular, in a manner that no man can speak evil of. Your testimony depends on it!

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Changing Times — Shifting Times

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"To change the City you must first change the Marketplace. To change the marketplace, marketplace ministers must be recognized.

To recognize marketplace ministers, pulpit ministers must partner with them.

Pulpit ministers and Marketplace ministers must partner in unity (as peers), to establish the Kingdom of God in the marketplace by synergizing the spiritual wealth that is resident in the synagogue with the strategic placement of believers in the marketplace."

By Ed Silvano



Genesis 41:14 (New American Standard Bible)
Then Pharaoh sent and called for Joseph, and they hurriedly brought him out of the dungeon; and when he had shaved himself and changed his clothes, he came to Pharaoh.

Greetings again in the name of the wonderful saviour we serve! I want all the Kingdom Business Network to know that we appreciate you and your support of this ministry, or shall I say "calling".

Many of you know me personally and many do not. Some know me only by this newsletter and the emails I send.

It is my pleasure to tell you that the Kingdom Business Network is changing. Change is a *good thing!* The Lord is challenging us to seek "new wineskins", new ways, new places and new venues to spread the gospel through the vehicle of Marketplace Ministry.

The Lord laid the scripture above on my heart and it spoke to me; that we were in the process of ***changing our clothes at KBN, and we would soon be standing before Pharaoh.***

There are many in the marketplace ministry movement who speak a lot about Joseph and the "Joseph Anointing". I believe it is a real anointing. God is raising men and women up to positions of prominence in the marketplace for His purposes.

Luke 5:37 (New American Standard Bible)
"And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the new wine will burst the skins and it will be

spilled out, and the skins will be ruined.

You will see in this newsletter changes in appearance, in format and in the "flavor" of what you see and read on these pages.

In order to share with you the vision that God is placing on my heart regarding where KBN is going, it is necessary that we re-live history a little and take you back to the beginnings of this ministry This is a "stand up and testify" type article!

Then perhaps you can see why we feel God is calling us to **"SHIFT"** into a new direction. God has been whispering in my spirit that we need to be in "the marketplace".

PRE 2005:

Myself, and my wife Julie were happily loving the Lord and purposely "hiding" on the back pews. When I was young I was called and actively ministered. I slipped away from the Lord for many years and as God pulled me back slowly into relationship with him, I felt I had given up my calling by my poor choices and sin in my life.

In 2001, I reconnected with my spiritual father, Apostle Jim Hodges, and was given a prophetic word that God had placed a mantle, or cloak, of many, many colors, much like Joseph had worn, on me. God was going to make me find "favor in the marketplace and in the church".

I had no idea what that meant, I only know that that was the date that opened the floodgates of hell and opposition into my life. The next 3 years were the hardest in my life, both in business and in my spiritual life.

I went through a horrible time in these areas and was driven to my knees over and over again. I did not realize God was preparing me for future events. As I learned to TRUST my heavenly father in new and complete ways in the areas of giving, finances, and business, he began to bless me and my wife in every way imaginable. Not just financially, although we were blessed that way, we prospered in our souls as well. I grew close to my spouse in ways never possible before. As she lined up behind me and began to walk in complete TRUST as well, we found ourselves in favor, in all things.

In 2005 we had become a part of the Federation of Ministers and Churches, a relational network, of five-fold ministry, apostolic Christians and ministries ran by Jim Hodges and was asked to attend their national conference in Dallas in November of 2005. It was there I was exposed to a ministry in Malaysia that gathered to pray and release supernatural ministry over BUSINESS ventures and BUSINESS people! Wow! What I wouldn't have given to have a place like that to go to in my years of trouble.

Upon returning to Christ Temple Church, my home church, I shared how cool I thought this was and how I thought the church should do something similar in Huntington, West Virginia. The answer I got was not what I expected... They not only thought it was a great idea, they said "Go ahead and do it, we'll back you" "Hey, wait a minute!" I said "someone

Let's Cruise



KBN is planning a cruise for early 2008. Details will be coming soon, so start making plans.

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should do this, NOT ME!"

FEBRUARY 2006- FEBRUARY 2007

But God had other plans. The first KBN Dinner was held in February of 2006. I laid out the format of the ministry God had shared with me and off we went!

Over the next year, we developed a format of Praise, Worship, a dinner and a personal ministry time for individuals with business concerns. The KBN Newsletter started going out to many local folks by mail and then to increasingly more people by email. This would become a large part of the KBN ministry! People in business all over the United States emailed in to thank me for the articles. People were being blessed! People were forwarding the newsletter around, just like God showed me they would!

MARCH 2007

We planned and executed a **Marketplace Ministry SUMMIT** recently in March of 2007. We have developed a history of supporting ministries in the third world, financially, such as:

- *Hope for Haiti*
- *Christ Nations Missions Impact International*

God has sent ministers to KBN who have felt led to get involved such as Sam Vance as my Associate Director, Raetta Schenk as our Missions Director, and Jendonnae Houdyschell as the Executive

Coordinator.

These are quality people!

I'm not necessarily included in the group "quality People", so, God sent them to lend me CREDIBILITY! How great is that!

APRIL 2007

We are now poised to **SHIFT** into a new purpose. Christ Temple Church felt led to share with us that we had outgrown the structure of the church. I had been feeling this for months. This was God's way of releasing me, and sending us out to minister where we belong, "**IN THE MARKETPLACE**"

Christ Temple Church is so gracious and has offered to continue to help us with printing, mailing, web-hosting, etc., but our creed is changing from:

"Ministry of Christ Temple Church"

to a

"Ministry FROM Christ Temple Church!"

JULY 2007

A step of faith will occur. KBN will become completely autonomous. We are a free-standing outreach ministry to people in the Marketplace, to help them prosper and share the life of Christ to hungry hearts.

Our core group will continue to create a board of directors to oversee the ministry and will become aligned with the Federation Of Ministers and Churches International, so we may be accountable in all areas to someone who will speak into our lives.

The Federation has asked us to

participate in creating models for this type of ministry and to partner with their marketplace folks to minister in their network and beyond.

God has laid a burden heavily on my heart to seek ways for KBN to become involved in:

Missions

Taking the KBN ministry to other towns, cities, states, etc to set up branches of the ministry in other locations

Starting new dinner meeting venues in other areas in West Virginia

Affirming Marketplace Christians in many new ways

Making strategic alliances with marketplace Christians in Charleston, Lewisburg, Clarksburg, etc. and all over the country (and globe)

The goal God has laid on my heart is to build his Kingdom, one business person at a time. To take forth the Son of God into the workplace of the world.

I want to make it possible to mentor and empower people to "pastor" their company or to be the prophet in their office building. I know that sound funny and strange but this is the move of God that will occur when people become yielded to Jesus and his Lordship in all arenas of life, *outside the church!*

Please prayerfully consider the following:

Partner with KBN to bring Jesus to a hurting world. Financial support is important and this is good ground to sow in.

Become a part of the KBN ministry. Become active in our dinner meetings. Help set up KBN ministries in your area! Pray about starting a chapter. This could be God's call on your life!

Pray for us. Pray and intercede that we will remain pure of heart and committed to the Master's leading.

Pray for those we minister to: the orphans in Haiti, the churches in Belize, the missionaries in Bolivia.

To some in this network, I have become their "**business pastor**" while they are out on the road, making business happen. This was not a role that I sought after but I am proud to take that role to help them find a closer path. I get many calls from those who are un-churched, poorly churched or "glued to the pews" asking for prayer and help.

I am available you by email or by phone. My cell is 304-389-6095. Myself, Raetta, and Sam are available to counsel with you as time allows. Please feel free to call on us.

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