



The Jesus Trip

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1 Samuel 13:14

“But now your kingdom must end, for the Lord has sought out a man after his own heart. The Lord has already appointed him to be the leader of his people, because you have not kept the Lord’s command.”



1 Corinthians 11:23b

“On the night when he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread...”

Luke 4:18

“...he has anointed me to... bind up the brokenhearted...”



It's time to transition!

tran·si·tion - "the process or a period of changing from one state or condition to another."



David's biggest life goal, the dream in his heart?

Psalms 27:4 *“The one thing I ask of the Lord— the thing I seek most— is to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, delighting in the Lord’s perfections and meditating in his Temple.”*



2 Sam. 7:2 *“Look” David said, “ I am living in a beautiful cedar palace, but the Ark of God is out there in a tent.”*

2 Sam. 7:12-13 *“one of your descendants, your own offspring... he will build your house.”*



In other [my] words:

“No David, I love your dream and I will honour it, it will come to pass, but first we need to transition somethings before this can happen”



In times of transition...the word you heard in the past is no longer the word you need. There is a new word, there is a new relationship and orientation to the word of God that comes to you in times of transition.

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Was God being Harsh on David?

1 Chronicles 22:6-8

*“My son, I wanted to build a Temple to honor the name of the Lord my God,” David told him. “But the Lord said to me, ‘**You have killed many men in the battles...**’”*



David's life and reign was bloody!

2 Samuel 8:1-2, 3, 5, 9,13

“David defeated and subdued the Philistines... conquered the land of Moab. He measured off two groups to be executed for every one group to be spared... David killed 22,000 of them... So David became even more famous when he returned from destroying 18,000 Edomites...”



Key to the whole transition:

David's rule was characterized by violent struggle to attain God's promises and defeat his enemies. Once this has been accomplished once and for all, it required a transition to a new way of operating.



When you accept that the war is over, the struggle has ended, victory is secured, you don't need to fight and struggle and strive and work and battle. You need a new tool set, a new way of operating- you need wisdom!



**Transition wasn't really one
from David to Solomon, as much
as it was from battle to acquire
and secure...**

TO

**A reign and rule of peaceful
administration of all that the
victorious one had secured.**



Like David, Jesus was the warrior King who fought the battles. He beat:

1. The devil

Col. 2:15 *“In this way, he disarmed the spiritual rulers and authorities. He shamed them publicly by his victory over them on the cross.*



2. He won the battle against temptation.

Hebrews 4:15 (NLT)

*“This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, **yet** he did not sin.”*



3. He defeated the power of death

Hebrews 2:14b “ *For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil, who had the power of death.*”



4. He defeated, sin, death and devil!

1 Corinthians 15:55-57 (NLT)

“O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?” For sin is the sting that results in death, and the law gives sin its power. But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Jesus like David, was also a man of war and a man of blood shed. But through His blood shed, *the shedding of his own blood*, he acquired for us eternal blessings, not a physical kingdom like David did.



He gave the spoils of his victory!

1 Chronicles 29:2-3

Now for the house of my God I have prepared with all my might...Moreover... have given to the house of my God..."

Jesus did too!

1 Peter 1:3

“By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence.”



What does all this mean?

1. We need to make the transition from struggle, sweat, and violent effort as a means of attaining God's blessing and our God given dreams, **TO:** a life of peace.



Matthew 11:22 *“And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.*

Romans 5:1 *“Therefore, since we have been made right in God’s sight by faith, we have peace with God ...”*



Ephesians 2:14-18

“For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people... He made peace between Jews and Gentiles... Now all of us can come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what Christ has done for us.”



Ed Stetzer in an interview with
Carrie Nieuhoff: “

***“you can’t war at a people and
reach a people at the same time.”***



2. We need to manifest the wisdom of God.

Solomon's reign was characterized by the wise administration of the kingdom and resources that the Man of blood had provided him with.



This was always God's plan!

Eph. 3:10-11 *“God’s purpose in all this was to use the church to display his wisdom in its rich variety to all the unseen rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was his eternal plan.”*



Where transition happens...



A promise rooted in grace!

2 Samuel 7:12-16

“... I will be his father, and he will be my son. If he sins, I will correct and discipline him with the rod, like any father would do. But my favor will not be taken from him...”



It's time to transition out of a life characterized by our own violent struggle to manifest the dreams and goals God has put on our hearts, trying to defeat enemies he has already done away with.



James 1:5-7 *“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.”*



James 3:17-18 *“But the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others... It shows no favoritism... those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness.”*





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