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The Family of the future will be the Family that will march strong into the very Last Days and be My beacon to the world, My warning to the wicked, My shepherds of the lost, My Endtime witnesses. (1)

Uncompromising Discipleship

(Jesus:) My standard for the Family of the future is a high one. It's a standard of full and uncompromising discipleship. It's a standard of commitment to Me and a forsaking of the world and its trinkets. I ask you to come out from among them, to be separate, to touch not the unclean thing, to revel in My Word, to put Me first, to put loving others, your Family, and the lost first. The things of the spirit are what should come first.

I'm after the things of the heart. I'm after the things of the spirit. I'm after the understanding that comes from one who realizes that this world and all that it contains are husks. I'm after the deep love that comes from one who realizes that I've given My all for them, and they in turn want and desire to give Me their all. I'm after a freewill offering.

I ask that you prepare in spirit, that you make ready your hearts and your weapons, so that you are able to stand and fight, and not cower under attack. I ask you to hone your gifts of prophecy and to strengthen your channels. (2)

(Jesus:) Many feel that they do not have what it takes, that they might not make it in My Family of the future, but they are still fighting and holding on and trusting Me for the changes I am asking of them and trying their best to keep in step with Me. These are the ones who will make it, because they have the faith to keep going no matter what I ask of them. They have the faith that I can help them to make the changes needed, that I will anoint them to grow and learn and move forward, no matter how impossible it might seem. They trust in the spirit world, in the new weapons, not just in theory, but in a personal way. (3)

But don't be satisfied with just being a little bit stronger. Don't just take a little walk in the park and consider that you've had your exercise. Get into it and work out hard! Run those miles, lift those weights, work those muscles, and come out fit and sleek and toned spiritually! Come out looking different than you did before! That's the vision, that's the goal, and those who will put their hearts into fulfilling that will be the disciples who will create the Family of the future. Will you be one of them? You can be! Anyone can be. (4)

Yes, there are battles. Many of you are struggling and fighting with everything you've got, and you might be tempted to wonder what the point is while you're in hand-to-hand

combat with the Enemy. You might wonder if it's really getting you anywhere and making a difference. Believe Me that it is making a huge difference, because with every battle fought and every victory won, you're a stronger, wiser, more fearsome adversary.

One day, every single battle you've fought, every tear you've shed, and every hour of midnight oil you've burned is going to help someone else to make it. Your battle wounds really will glow and will encourage others to keep fighting to the victory. Right now you have your ministry, you work hard, you help to reach the lost, and I'm proud of each one of you for your faithfulness and dedication. But this is not the end, My loves. The Family of the future is just unfolding; the new Family is just beginning to emerge. The Family is going through its stage of metamorphosis. It's struggling to shed the old weights and take on the new and beautiful wings of the future.

Each one of you will be part of that future. Today's battles are preparing you, they are helping you to mature and become the yielded, open, and ready vessels that I will need to do My will.

So don't fear today's lessons and trials, but welcome them, because they are your teachers. Drink in the counsel that I share with you, absorb and learn all you can, and know that all of it will benefit you. You will be better equipped for the near future and your work, as well as for the days ahead. This is My love for you, to help you, to encourage you, to give you the spiritual and practical input that you need, to give you answers and the help you desire.

I have ordained the battles you are facing, but I have also provided the answers, the help, and the training that you need to overcome. As you are strengthened, you will be able to strengthen others. As you win victories, you will have faith to help others win the victories they need and point them to Me for the answers.

Imagine a future world of darkness where so many are fearful to even step outside the boundaries of the System, and imagine what light you will carry to lead them to the truth. I have plans for each one of you, and right now the plan is to train you, to equip you for your future roles. Study well, train well, so that you are prepared to do warfare for Me and help to usher in My Kingdom on Earth. (5)

The Family of the future (will be) the ones who are better equipped with the spiritual weapons and more fully charged with the firepower of My Spirit, the fiery prophets of the End, let loose on the world. It's going to be a glorious outpouring of My Spirit, the likes of which the world has never seen! (6)

My goal is for each of you and the Family as a whole to get to the place where you are free of compromise, unconfessed sin, disobedience, and all those things that let the Enemy in and make things so much harder for you as My disciples. They're like spiritual weights that make everything more difficult. They hold back My blessings. They limit the power you could have access to. Once you get rid of the weights, you'll realize how much spiritual strength and faith and stamina I have made available to you.

The Family of the future is going to be a place of deep trust, respect, fulfillment and happiness. You're going to be a strong team that the Enemy cannot break or penetrate. All these things I'm asking of you are steps toward that goal. I'm asking you because I love you, and

I want you to get there as quickly as possible!

Won't you follow Me to the place of greater blessings, happiness and freedom? You have nothing to lose--nothing except maybe a few remnants of pride, self-righteousness and sin. Who would want to hang on to those, anyway? So forsake these things that are holding you back, and reach out for what I have for you in return--the true treasures of humility, openness, forgiveness and freedom. When you think about it like that, there's no comparison! (7)

Personal Obedience

I have made My requests known. Now all that awaits My full blessing is for you to put My requests into action, to be obedient. If you would do this, you would find full joy in your hearts, and abundant supply of your every need. You would be prepared for the days to come; you would not lack anything. (8)

(Jesus:) As I have said many times before, the Family of the future will only be as strong as the individuals within the Family. And the individuals within the Family will only be as strong as the decisions they make, the choices of obedience they make. (9)

(Jesus:) The Family of the future is going to be everything Dad said it would be--and more. If you want your faith stoked, read up on Dad's Letters where he spoke with such conviction and faith of all that the Family would be and do in the future. He had the faith to believe that everything I promised would be so. Even though there were many, many problems, and the Family was far from perfect, he still believed that what I had promised would be true for you, My Family. He never doubted for a moment that My Words were going to come to pass. The thought never occurred to him that your future would not be as beautiful as I had said; that is, of course, as long as you continued to remain faithful and obedient.

Read his Letters and be encouraged by his faith. He believed, not having seen the promised fruit, but being fully persuaded that what I had promised I was able also to perform--even though he never got to see it in this life. But you will see it! Everything that I have told you will come to pass. I told you that I have given My Word and I would not lie unto My servant David. I swore by that Word. I will keep My Word. Whatever I have said to David about you, My Family, will come to pass. As you remain on this path of obedience, I promise you, I swear to you, that I will fulfill My Word. (10)

Personal Responsibility

(Jesus:) I'm moving you past the duty of fulfilling the requirements because they are required, and into fulfilling them because you know that you require that time with Me. I'm encouraging you, My Family, to fulfill your spiritual requirements in a way that is effective for you, not solely because it's required of you, but because you know you can't live without it, because you need those spiritual weapons and the spiritual strength that comes from Me in order to do the job of winning the world. I want you to invest in your time with Me because you want My Spirit, because you know you need My blessings, My anointing, My power.

By opening up more options, I am taking a risk, but this is a switch that you must make. I am expecting you who are spiritual adults, who are mature, to grow into getting more from your times with Me. You who have been focused on the minutes or the time requirement need to move away from that and focus instead on the quality. And those of you who have gotten a little stuck on what you consider quality need to open up and discover some of the new places I want to take you in the spirit, and new realms of communing with Me, loving Me, resting in Me, and being fed by Me. Those of you who have gotten rather dry in your times with Me need to stir things up. All of you need to change your perspective and broaden your horizons and go deeper into the spirit with Me.

In the times ahead, your lives will change. There may be new factors in your life--such as demands on your schedule that weren't there before, or demands on your resources, or circumstances that stretch your faith. As you know, I prepare you today for what you need tomorrow. Making this change in the way you look at your time with Me and learning how to be more creative, how to connect with Me more personally, how to personally decide what you need and then figure out how to make it work, is important for your future. As I said, the guidelines you have had so far have borne good fruit in helping you to develop better habits. But now I have more to give you.

I want you to think about the future. I'm expecting much more of the Family as a whole, and of each of you as individuals. As the Offensive progresses, you are going to be facing a lot of new circumstances, things that are foreign to you right now. You're going to need a whole lot more self-discipline and spiritual strength and conviction in the future than you have now. So teaching you this lesson is part of helping you to grow in this area. There will be a lot of influences affecting the Family of the future that don't affect you today--more contact with the world, your children having more contact with those in the world, etc. So you're going to have to be stronger spiritually.

It's time for this step of spiritual growth. Everyone needs to learn to stay very connected to Me, whether or not there are rules mandating it or holding them in place.

(Jesus:) As the world grows darker, it is more important than ever for My children to be beacons of light, and the only way that you're going to be able to do this is if you shine with the light of My Spirit and truth and Word and love.

This is not something that can be generated from within yourselves. It has to come from My Spirit and be channeled through your spirits. Your spirits have to be fresh and clean, open, free from sin--not in the sense of being perfect, but in the sense of having regular cleansing in the spirit. You need a strong and healthy connection with Me in order to be the beacons of light

that I have called you to be today, and even more so in the future.

You also need to be the warriors of the spirit that will be needed, and thus you need to be very adept in your use of the spiritual weapons. You need to tap into My power through praise, through proactive prayer, through intercessory prayer. So much is going to be required of you as you step into the future that I have ordained for you. (11)

The Lord is Running this Operation

(David:) I've come to give you a little word of encouragement about the Family and its future. Firstly, I want to ask you a question: Do you think I ever battled about the way the Lord was leading the Family, and even about the way the Family handled or enacted some of the revolutions and revelations the Lord gave? Of course I did. I often lay in bed at night and couldn't sleep, wondering if I had somehow failed, if I hadn't gotten the message right, or if the Family would ever find the right balance in applying the things the Lord showed me.

It's a difficult job being a prophet of the Lord, as Mama and Peter will attest. It's tough, but you've got a job to do and you can't shirk it, no matter what. You are responsible for the lives of your flock, and if you fail them, the Lord holds you accountable. When the Lord gives the Word, you've got to give it out, come what may. That doesn't mean you aren't human, or that you don't worry about how the Family will react to it, or what the outcome of the revelation will be; you are and you do. But as I learned, the Lord is the One Who is running this operation--not me, not Mama, and not Peter--and the Lord is the One Who knows what we need at each stage to keep us active, alive, moving, and being the revolutionary, called-out Family that He wants us to be at every level of membership.

One thing I knew while I was there with you on Earth, and something the Lord showed me even more clearly when I came to this side, is how it's all Him. It's not any human being who is dictating the way this Family should go, it's the Lord. He has a path mapped out for us--a very clear path, believe it or not. There are obstacles, there are battles along the way, there are lots of things to purge us and keep us close to Him and to make sure we stay on that path, but the path is clear. It's the path of our destiny.

Through the purges, our ranks often get thinner. We lose people we love, and that's heartbreaking. We cry, and the Lord cries. It's so sad when those we are close to choose to leave--to leave us and often to leave any form of service for the Lord. But we must go on, and the Lord can't slow the whole Family down for those who can't make it in the Family; He has a plan, a course, and if the Family is to fulfill its destiny it must stay on course.

One story that often encouraged me while I was there on Earth with you, when loved ones would leave, is the story of Gideon. I read that story many times. I even had that dream about "a meek and a quiet spirit" that came from the story of Gideon, and it encouraged me.

When we read the story of Gideon thousands of years later, it's easy for us to see the Lord's plan in it--at least part of the Lord's plan. You can see that He needed those who were in tune, desperate, yielded, willing to do crazy things, and not just headstrong in their own opinions, fearless, etc. And you see too that had they had thousands of men, they would have felt it was their own hand that saved them, or at least had a big part in it, and it wouldn't be a

story that went down in history as an amazing miracle.

But just imagine at the time how they felt when those they loved had to leave; when those they were counting on to help them win the war decided to go back. Just think how some of them who stayed must've been mocked by those leaving for being so foolish as to stick it out. It looked like a suicide mission. But they felt called to stay, and God used them to do a mighty miracle and defeat their enemies.

So when we refer to ourselves as a Gideon's band, it's acknowledging the sacrifices that we had to make to forsake those we loved. It acknowledges the high calling the Lord has given us at every level of membership, and it should remind us of the desperation and on-guardedness we need to have to remain part of this Family.

Gideon's army went through tests, and each one knocked out thousands. We go through our tests as well, and we often lose many with each test, but that is the price we have to be willing to pay to remain true to our commission. Gideon's band became the elite troops of God's army, those who through many tests and trials endured to the end, and they were the ones who got to see the victory. How do you think those who left because they were too afraid felt after the victory, especially the ones who had mocked those who chose to stay?

So when you feel like, "Why stick it out in the Family when all those I love have left?" or "What is this all for anyway?--We keep losing so many, there must be something wrong with us and the way we do things," go back and read the story of Gideon and you will be encouraged. It's not because we don't care that we refer to ourselves as a Gideon's band. We do care about those who have left us. We care greatly; we feel the loss and it hurts. We've all gone through it and we know. But we are choosing to serve the Lord above anything else; we haven't let others' choices and decisions stop us from doing what we know is God's will for our lives, and that's why we are a Gideon's band.

So hold on! Know that the Lord has a plan and a place for you and a plan for the Family. It may be hard to see it right now, but through these tests and purges the Lord is going to win a mighty victory. I love you, and most of all Jesus loves you. He knows your hearts, and if you look to Him, He will help you make it through. *(End of message.)* (12)

Love and Unity

This weapon of love and unity, when used effectively, also shields you as a Home and individuals from so many of the Enemy's attacks. They're absolutely harmless to you, because you're protected and shielded through the power of love and unity and trust and selflessness. It's more than worth the cost, and you will see immediate blessings as you put it to use. As you form these good habits, you'll be hooked on the "love" lifestyle that is an integral part of the Family of the future. (13)

(Jesus:) Unity is so key, so crucial, so vital to your success as the Family of the future! The Family of the future will not be possible without great, tight, all-encompassing unity between Family members. Unity is the key to so many of the major needs, plans, and blessings for the Family of the future. (14)

The Mission and the Family of the Future

The Family of the future needs to be My farmers. You need to be those who will invest in the future. You need to be teams who will settle in a location for as long as you can bear fruit there. You need to be teams who will complement each other and ensure that within your team you have all the tools for the job and aren't missing anything crucial. You need to help each other and safeguard and protect each other and sharpen and hone each other so that you will be most effective. You need to think long-term, to think: "We are here to cultivate and sow and reap this field, and to do so over and over and over, until we have caused it to bear all the fruit it has to offer, until it has fed and sustained us for many years so that we can continue doing more." (15)

(Jesus:) It takes a lot of patient building to construct a house that's strong, comfortable, and admired by others. When you're building a brick house, for example, there's no shortcut to doing a lot of brick and mortar work. It's tiring and tedious work building each wall. And then you think about all the other walls still to go, and the ceiling, and the next story of the house, and on and on.

But if you don't lay those bricks, you'll never have a house. The house you're building is the Family of the future, and the eventual plan is that you'll have a huge flock of hungry sheep looking to you for their spiritual feeding, who are in turn learning to reach others.

The bricks you're building this awesome structure with are your encounters with the people you meet in the course of a day witnessing. Each person you approach or follow up on is potential progress toward the fulfillment of My promises. It's hard, long, tiring work.

But with each brick laid you've made your wall a little higher, and through winning and feeding the sheep I put in your path, one by one, you've taken that many more steps toward the place where I've promised My Family will be. All those promises of how great and glorious your future is going to be will come true if you put in the work of witnessing and feeding people, one by one. If you're a faithful "bricklayer," eventually the structure will rise.

You can't skip ahead to the part where you have this awesome house that you can show off and which is the envy of all your neighbors. Houses aren't made out of thin air--somebody has to build them--and you are building the Family of the future through your faithful daily work of witnessing. Brick after brick, meeting after meeting, soul after soul, that's how the victories of the future are going to become realities.

I'm promising you better results than you've seen in the past, more supernatural intervention and miracles, but I can't go out there and do the winning for you. That's still your job. You could say that I'm promising you new and better ways of building, a more steady supply of quality bricks, and more speed and efficiency in putting the walls together. But you still have to do the laying, and you still have to do it more or less one brick at a time--one heart or soul at a time.

The good news is that the plans for this building were designed by Me. I am the architect and the engineer, and if you lay each brick where I show you to lay it, and you faithfully put in the hours even during the tough parts of the job, it's going to be an awesome mansion by the time you're done. This is no small shack we're building here--it's going to be

impressive!

So how do you translate these promises into practical terms for building your work? Simple--just do as a builder does and faithfully show up at the construction site and put in your hours. Show up on time, work as faithfully and as hard as you can, and then go back home each day knowing that you've furthered not just My cause, but your own cause. Each brick you are laying is helping to build the house that you're going to get to enjoy forever.

There are no shortcuts when it comes to building either a house or the Family of the future. You just have to be faithful.

You can even think of it mathematically if you want to. Think about how many people would constitute a good-sized "flock" that would be sufficient for properly supporting your work and being a powerful aid in reaching your city or area for Me. Think big. Remember, this is the era of greater faith. Then think about how many people you can talk to on a typical outreach day, and how many outreach days you have in a week. Take into account the number of people who aren't interested in your witness, and you'll probably see that to arrive at the final number of dedicated disciples and Active members that you want, you'll have to talk to a good number of people every day for a pretty long period of time.

Don't get discouraged, though--houses aren't built overnight. It's a lot of bricks we're dealing with, and that's a good thing. The more bricks you need, the bigger the house. It's going to be worth it, but it is going to be a lot of work. If you can tackle it faithfully, regularly, and with enthusiasm, you will get there. Your faithfulness day by day, heart by heart, will result in the fulfillment of each of My promises.

If you want to see those promises fulfilled, lay hold on them by showing Me your daily faithfulness to lay the "bricks" that will build your beautiful house of the future. (16)

(David:) Winning souls and getting out the message is good, but for the Family to become what it needs to be, winning laborers is also vital. The Family wouldn't be here today if I'd just told my little team in California that all we needed to do was witness and win souls and that was enough.

We went out and challenged others to join us. We focused on both witnessing and winning disciples, with a big emphasis on winning laborers, and that's how we were able to spread throughout the world, and explode with growth, fruit, the message getting out, and souls being won. Witnessing on the scale that was achieved then wouldn't have been possible without exponential growth. That's what's needed for the Family of the future.

Not everyone is going to be a "dropout" or a full-time member like many were in the early days of the Family, but you've got to have more people participating in the mission, and more facilitators who are making the mission possible. That is one of the goals of your mission. (17)

(Jesus:) You need to realize that the Offensive is about the future. It's about Me opening new doors and rewarding your efforts with fruit that remains. It's about having a much bigger vision. It's about taking new and different steps and trying new and different things. It's not merely about witnessing a little more. It's not about just having a few decent outreach pushes. It's not about being a great, talented outreachers and continuing to be the same great, talented outreachers.

It's about finding My ways for today--ways to reach the lost that will work for your Home and field. And some of those methods will be new, different, and very much "out of the box" compared to what you've been doing up until now. Other methods will be very much the same as what you've been doing now, and I'll give you new strength and inspiration to do them excellently. The Offensive is about reaping, training, and building the Family of the future. It's about out-of-the-box thinking and acting. It's about moving the Family forward into a future of reaching the world in more volume, and with greater professionalism, than ever before. (18)

The Family of the future will look very different than the Family of the past, and even different than the Family of today. But what you need to understand is that it's still the Family! It's still My Endtime movement. It's still based on the rock-solid foundation of Me and My Word. It still has that same revolutionary spirit that it was founded on. That is part of you, and it won't change--but there's much that will. It must, in order to meet the needs of the ever-changing world.

Your goal is to reach the world. Your goal is to win, teach, and train disciples and witnesses. That's the job at hand. So what's the best way to do this in this day and age? The way to do it is to meet the needs of today's lost.

Are the lost today the same as the lost of two or three decades past? Is the world the same as it was then? Are the needs of people the same today? Are their mentalities, attitudes, or outlooks the same? No, all this is very different. And just as the methods of the past don't meet the needs of today, the methods of the present won't meet the needs of the future. Just as the lost of today have different needs or interests than those of decades past, so the lost of the future will have different needs than those of today. If you are wise, you will prepare to meet those needs by moving forward with Me and staying on the cutting edge--but in order to do so, you must be willing to change.

Take farming, for instance. People needed to eat in the past, and people need to eat today. In the past, horses and oxen were used to plow, and harvesting was done by hand. That type of farming fed the people of its day. In time, tractors were used for plowing, planting and harvesting. Storage facilities were invented, refrigeration and long-distance food transport became available. So many things changed, which made it easier to feed people. No modern farmer today would consider going back to the plow and oxen, hand sowing and hand reaping. It was a great way to farm in the past, but it doesn't meet the needs today.

You need to bring your farming up to date--and beyond that, you need to get it ready for the future. The future will be quite different from the present. You need to make changes now, in the present, so that you will be ready for the future. Many Family attitudes and mindsets need to change, because they won't serve you well in the future. Many ways of doing things need to change so that they will be up to date in the future.

Do you believe that the future will be different for you?--For Christians in general? Do you believe the Word of the "past" that talks about the future? Do you understand that to be ready for that future, you need to grow and change now? Things of this world are not going to continue on as they are. They will change. Therefore, change is vital to your survival.

I'm not preparing you to be a great church in the vein of churches today. I am preparing you to be a church of living, moving, changing stones upon which those of the future can stand strong!

You need to leave your financial status, your popularity, and your standing in society up to Me. If you are willing to follow Me in your methods and your approach, and walk through the doors that I fling open for you, I'll see to it that you get attention--for the very sake of drawing the lost to you, and thus to Me. You worry about greater popularity, but you must remember that it is one of the stages that your Father David taught you about, and it is a stage that I bring many of My messengers through so that more people have a chance to hear and receive the message.

You need to be new, fresh, out in the forefront. I'm the one who's going to engineer things so that the sheep and disciples are drawn to you.--Whether that's through pushing you to get out the meat of the Word, whether it's through bringing popularity to the message or your work, whether it's getting people's attention through publicity. It's up to Me, and if you're open and ready to roll with Me, we can go far! Believe Me, the popularity stage doesn't last forever, but I will bring it in some situations so that you can win a new round of disciples, believers, witnesses, and supporters, so that you can accomplish what I have asked you to accomplish in reaching the world, as well as survive into the future and be ready and in place for the Endtime events once they begin.

You know, the mind of man is very small and limited. The mind of man generally fears change and the new. It cannot foresee what the future holds, and because of that, it tends to want to stay with and keep those things that it is used to and comfortable with. Generally the mind of man clings to the past and its comforts, its comfortable ways, thought patterns, and mindsets.

You may be comfortable with the past, with the way things have been done and the way they're done now. But My mind is so much greater, so much broader! There are things that need to take place for the sake of your future. I want the message to get out. I want souls to be reaped. I want the world ready for My return. I want to defeat Satan. Quite frankly, I'm not concerned with how all this was achieved in the past. I'm interested in how things should be done today, and in the future.

Of course, I am building the Family of the future on My foundation, the Word, the basics of faith. My true Church has always stood on this foundation. But through the millennia it has constantly been renovated to meet the times. So it is today with you. I will remake you in My image for today. I will make the Family what it needs to be today for today's world, for today's lost. I will give you today's Word, methods, and modes of operation.--But it will be built on the same foundation, that solid rock of My Word, of Me and My Father, on Our Spirit.

If you hold on to the past, the past ways, methods, mindsets, or attitudes, you won't be allowing Me to make you what you need to be for today. Let go of the old. Let go of the ancient landmarks. Let go of the past, and move into the future that I have both ordained for you and am determined to make you fit into. It is going to be a new day, with many new things happening to you, as a Family.

It won't come all at once. It will be gradual, as I know just how much you can take and adjust to at a time. But change needs to happen. You need to be continually adapting in order to meet the needs of the hungry today. You're not going to compromise the message or water down the truth. You'll still have the same convictions, the same faith, the same spiritual standard.

The lost and hungry of today need a modern Me, and you are My modern face to them.

You are My modern, up-to-date, new, fresh, alive religion for those who are searching for the truth, for those who hear My voice and want to follow Me.

My Family has always been a place for those who seek Me and who seek to serve Me unreservedly with all their life, their heart and soul. In the past when there was a disciple-winning explosion, the look, texture, and feel of the Family was just right for the lost and searching of that day. It was an outwardly radical, revolutionary movement that appealed to the lost and hungry of its time. It attracted the counterculture of the '60s and '70s. But if you had continued using the exact same approach through the years just because it worked in the '60s, where do you think you'd be today?

The needs of the hungry are different today. Those hearing My voice and wanting to follow are different today. They have different needs, different desires. Different things attract them today than what attracted those of yesteryear. The Word is the same, and once they get hooked on the Word, that's what really matters. But your job is to have those attributes which make following Me, being My disciple, and giving your all attractive today to those who are searching for it today, so that they have a chance to become hooked on the Word, to grow into the disciples that I am calling them to be.

You'll still preach the meat of the Word. You'll still have radical doctrines. You'll still have the same conviction, and those who join you will still receive all of those things. The Word you are teaching, the truth you are dispensing, the presence of My Spirit within you, that spirit of fire and revolution, of commitment and do-or-die discipleship, is exactly the same as what My early disciples had, and in essence it is the same as what I have given to every great man of God or movement of God that has ever existed. None of that has changed.

What needs to change is the delivery, not the content. The Family needs to be relevant to those seeking Me today. It needs to fit their needs, not the needs of those of the past.

The battle for today's souls and disciples must be fought today, with today's methods and today's messages. Yesterday is past. Today and tomorrow are what are important, and your calling is to reach those of today and tomorrow. To be successful in this you must change, grow, do new things, have new outlooks, and most important, not be bound by the past. Today is the day to reach today's lost. Today and tomorrow must be your concern, and you need to do whatever is necessary to be successful now and in the future--for the sake of the lost and for the sake of fulfilling your calling.

So move forward, always shedding what is no longer needed and taking on what is, to reach the lost, to do the job, to win the victory, and to hear My "Well done, good and faithful servant. Enter into My joy, knowing that you did whatever was necessary to seek and save that which was lost." (19)

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