

THE REQUIREMENTS OF COMMITTED MEMBERS – Part 2

We need to give strong support. We cannot give strong support unless we become mighty men. None of us should fail because this is God's plan. God wants us to be successful. He will give us revelation of what needs to be done and when we do it we will become mighty. We want our house to stand no matter what attack comes upon our life. No matter how diseases are passed around, we want our children to be strong. If we fall flat, rise up again. If the business is struggling, ask the Lord to take us up higher. When we change, we will change the world. No problem will yield to people who do not change. David was mighty because he had mighty men with them.

Sometimes we don't go to the restaurant not because of the cook. If those who serve are rude, the business will not be well. That's why we need to surround ourselves with the right people.

1Ch 11:10 Now these are the heads of the mighty men whom David had, who gave him strong support in his kingdom, together with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of the LORD concerning Israel.

God must add strong people who are mighty. They don't collapse for any minor reasons. Some people we think they are strong until we cross their path. We may think that they are good workers but they are actually stealing from our shop. For churches to be strong, we need good men. The mighty men must lend their strength so that whatever God is doing will not be destroyed. Whatever we do, we must continue to do what God wants.

There are many opportunities to leave our assignment. IF we leave our assignment, the next generation will suffer. Mighty men are not for destruction. It is for the finishing of assignment. All the strength that we receive is for the work to be strong. What God is doing will be protected.

When we make the right decisions, problems will be solved. That's why it is important for us to become strong. There are many societies in the community but if the people do not support it well, the society will be weak. It is always the quality of the people that makes a work excellent.

The church is the greatest authority manifested on planet earth. The devil will do anything to destroy it. When the church is divided, we will lose strength. Together we can push back the enemy. When the Holy Spirit comes upon us, we will become stronger. The church cannot go very far if the people are weak. Our business cannot go very far if the workers are incompetent. We will lose more money because of incompetent people. If we invest on people and they become better, the work will become better.

Act 2:37 Now when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?"

Act 2:38 Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Act 2:39 "For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself."

Act 2:40 And with many other words he solemnly testified and kept on exhorting them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation!"

Act 2:41 So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.

Act 2:42 They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Act 2:43 Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles.

Act 2:44 And all those who had believed were together and had all things in common;

Act 2:45 and they began selling their property and possessions and were sharing them with all, as anyone might have need.

Act 2:46 Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart,

Act 2:47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.

When people apply for the job they submit their resume. If they do not have the right qualification, they won't be able to do the right work.

1. Be born again with the evidence of repentance and changed life.

If people are not born again, they cannot be part of the house. If we say we are born again, it means we are changing and repenting and we are not going back to the old ways. There is evidence of change life and start doing what is right. There must be evidence in our life.

2. Be baptized in water with evidence of faith towards God.

If we want to be part of God's mighty men, we must be baptized in water. We must let the whole world know that we are standing on Jesus' side.

3. Be baptized in the Holy Spirit with evidence of speaking in the language of tongues.

If the Holy Spirit is in, there is clear evidence and we can see change in people's lives. One change is God gives them a language to connect to heaven. God will be present and His Presence is in us. Something happens on the inside and not just what we feel outside. We will have connection with heaven and heaven will be speaking to us. Every time when the Holy Spirit comes down, the heavens will be opened. The Presence of the Holy Spirit is the most powerful element in our life.

It does not matter what task is ahead of us, we can pray and God will move. When we face the attack of the enemy, the Holy Spirit will come to refresh us and strengthen us and we will be able to deal with the problem. This process is continuous because each time we go up, there will be new challenges.

4. Be passionate for God with a lifestyle of worship and intimacy.

There must be enough fire inside us. We will be drawn closer to Him to worship Him and feel His Presence. Every day of our life there is a touch of the Holy Spirit. We can feel Him and He is above our life and in our life. When God's Presence is there, we enjoy being there. Before we pray, God answers. When we come seeking for Him, we find Him. Our passion will grow and we will keep doing it.

5. Be committed to one another in corporate destiny

We cannot be committed to the body unless we are part of the body. We cannot pull ourselves away because we are part of each other's life. We must be part of what God is doing.

Eph 2:18 for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father.

Eph 2:19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household,

Eph 2:20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone,

Eph 2:21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord,

Eph 2:22 in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

It is the Holy Spirit that connects us to the Father. We are connected to one another. We are connected to the city and household. We have been fitted together. God wants us to go into one direction. When we gather together, God can live inside of us. Start young. We need to be committed to the body because of common destiny. God is working in our lives for the same reason to move us to the same direction. When there is fear and division, the body cannot function well.

6. Be useful in service with a lifestyle of sacrifice and selfless service

We cannot take back the life we have surrendered. When we gave our life to Him, there is no turning back. Every day we keep surrendering our life to Him and there's only one way to go; forward. We must keep going into His direction even though it is difficult. There is no turning back. We are not serving any other God or purpose. All to Jesus we surrender.

When we start to serve, we can be disappointed. When we do things for God, we can get discouraged. We must still continue and we do not stop when we take the assignment. Put our hand on the plow and don't turn back. Sometimes it is tough but we must continue to live a life with selfless sacrifice. We won't know when the heart of people will change but we must set our heart right. If God is for us, we must stay connected to what God is doing.

When we get older, our heart is more set and our passion will become stronger. However, our physical body is getting older and may become weaker. That's why pray that God will give us a strong body so that we can do what God wants us to do.

7. Be integrated in relationship with a lifestyle of honor, trust and integrity.

At the end of the day, the thing that makes us happy is relationship. We also suffer most because of relationship. Relationship heals the soul when the father and son have a right relationship. It will put confidence in the young child and the child will grow up uncontaminated. If the family is not well, the child will not be able to grow up strong. Strong families will create great churches. Relationship is learned at home. How the father loves the mother is the model of marriage. How the children relate with the parents and relatives is important. When the relationship is strong, the family will be protected from harm. Young people must learn how to build relationship with older generation people because that's what they enjoy most. Family that works together will stay a long time. In the church we are family.

Start to build a relationship with God. Once we know how to build a relationship with God we will never have a problem building relationship with people. If we know God we will do exploits. If we know Him we will come through all circumstances. We must know relationships and win the relationship with God and we will have no problem with people.

Relationship must be enforced with the lifestyle of honor, trust and integrity.

8. Be trained for effective ministry so that we can touch the various domains and impact the world.

There is no better thing than being trained. A person may know how to dance but as they are trained, they can become better. When we are faithful in our skill, God will give us grace and gifts and release anointing over our lives. What we cannot do, we will be able to do due to training. A fish does not need to go to swimming school. We are not a fish and we need to be trained to swim. When we are trained we become better and we will never say we cannot. In a short period of time we can become better.

9. Be yearning for the proceeding word so that we have a lifestyle to model the message.

If God don't speak to us we will not have a starting point. We are born again by the word. If we hear what God is doing and do what He is saying we will be building a house that cannot be destroyed. God will shake everything and only those that is built according to God's world will stand. Ask God to speak to us so that all that God is speaking to us will become fulfilled and alive. If we are passionate for His word, become what God is saying. We won't have authority to tell other people if we don't do it.

10. Be compassionate for people with a lifestyle of need centered power evangelism.

If we don't feel for them we will not pray for them. There are many who are less fortunate for us and if our hearts do not go out for them, we will not care. The curse is to be blessed and never become a blessing for others. That's why we must be compassionate. It is nothing great if we become rich. What we do with our riches and how we touch people's lives is what makes us significant.