

God wants It All

Zechariah 4:1-6

And the angel that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a man that is wakened out of his sleep. ² And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a candlestick all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof: ³ And two olive trees by it, one upon the right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof. ⁴ So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying, What are these, my lord? ⁵ Then the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord. ⁶ Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, *Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.*

Giving Honor to God the Father, the Son (Jesus Christ), and the Holy Spirit.

To All of God's Sons, Daughters, and Children. Praise God from Whom All

Blessings Flow. Let's turn to Zechariah 4:1-6, as we lift up the Name of the Lord.

Our key verse today is verse 6. Our topic is "God wants It All."

In this particular unit of scripture, we see Zerubbabel as a leader. *In fact, he had encouraged the Jews in the process of rebuilding the temple, but their enemies forced them to halt the operation. They were forced to stop the work of the rebuilding campaign. Have you ever been working towards completing a goal and you felt like you kept getting stuck? Has it ever seemed that those who you thought were your friends, weren't really your friends, at all? Have you ever felt like, for some unknown reason, you lost your ability to focus on the task at hand? Regardless of how the situation may look, feel, or appear to be; the Lord sent me to remind you this morning that you are more than conquerors through Christ who loves you. (Romans 8:37). You ought to stand up and declare that I am more than a conqueror. I'm above and not beneath. I'm the head and not the tail. I am from a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people. I am a child of God and a Joint Heir with Christ Jesus, my Lord. Hallelujah to the Lamb of God. He's Worthy of the praises of His people. And Yeeeessssssss, He wants It ALL.*

All of your worship. All of your faithfulness. All of your dedication. All of your love. All of your youthfulness. All of your creativity. All of your kindness. All of your commitment. He wants it All. (Listen, Beloved)

God told them it was time to finish building the temple. Bethel Nation it is time to build in the Spirit of the Lord. It's time to build in the physicality of the Lord. It's time to develop a mission to obtain your dreams, and yes it's time for you to step out on faith and

claim the calling that God has on your life. God told Zechariah that this work would not depend on might (human strength) or power, but by His Spirit (Zechariah 4:6). {You ought to shout right now, because this Blessing is dependent on the Spirit of the Lord} I'm so excited about what God is doing in the Spirit of the Church and in the Physical Church. He's so WORTHY of the Praises of His people. Hallelujah Lord God.

As we look deeper into our key text (verse four), it provides insight and revelation on how we too, should approach obstacles in our lives. How do you approach or react to the challenges that arise daily, weekly, or monthly? It would be a tremendous mistake for anybody to think that they can overcome the ups and downs or the struggles and circumstances of life, simply depending on their own strength and ability. I don't know anyone who pulled themselves up by their own bootstraps and lifted themselves up out of sin. You, I, nor anyone else can win by forcing the situation. You will succeed only if God is working in you and through you. I came to let you know on this first Sunday of the Advent Season, that God wants It All.

*Quick Question... Did you remember to pray this morning? Did you remember to Thank the Lord, regardless of whether everything went your way or not? **Psalm 136:1** O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever. I read a testimony earlier from a single parent (mother) who shared that "She Thanks God for being so Good to her." She noted that she had been homeless for two years, but God has been faithful. Can I get a witness? Though many complain about the 2020 year, God has done Great Things for Us? "Great Things, Great Things; He has done Great Things for Us." The reality is that there are some dreams that have become a little stale or stagnant and it seems like you're stuck in the middle of complacency. But I serve a God that can do exceedingly and abundantly above all that we can ask or think according to His riches in glory. You may feel all alone, but I serve a God who is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. Every now and then; when you're hungry, we serve a God that can take a 2 piece snack (2 fish and 5 loaves of bread) and feed 5,000 men plus women and children. He's a miracle worker. Won't He do it? Have you witnessed His miracle working power? Maybe your body has been in pain. I came to let you know that you and I serve a God that can heal every infirmity. I-I-I, am so glad that I can witness that like Zechariah, every now and then, the enemy will try to slow down your dreams. The enemy will try to rob you of your joy. But this Joy that we have, the world didn't give it to us and the world can't take it away. Yes, Say Yes. It's yours and it's mine All because of the Goodness of the Lord. Thank God, I came to tell you that it's time to get up and get excited about what God is doing in your life. You're Alive. You're Alive. You're ALIVE. You're well and it is time for you to stand firm and grab hold of your dreams and your desires in the Lord and say, "O magnify the Lord with me, Let us exalt His name together. You will be successful. You will be Blessed. You will be a Blessing to others. Surely, Goodness and Mercy shall follow you all the days of your life. And.... And... AND you will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. But my brothers and my sisters, "God wants It All."*

*In closing, God wants It All. Jesus taught in the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 22 verse 37-40, "You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind."*³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'⁴⁰ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments." *In fact, He loves us so much; more than we can ever imagine. Deuteronomy 13:3b teaches us, "For the Lord is testing you to find out whether or not you really love him with all your heart and soul. **He wants it All.*** God sent his only begotten Son (Jesus Christ) so that you would be redeemed back to Him. You may ask the question, what must I do to be saved? Well, my brothers and sisters, Romans 10:9 declares, "⁹If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved." **God wants It All.**

Prayer

Lord, I come to you just as I am. I've got some sin, situations, circumstances. I'm lost and I don't know how to fix the circumstances, situations, or the sin. I'm throwing my hands up and I'm turning it over to you. Come into my heart Lord Jesus. I confess my sin and I invite you in. I stand on your word according to Romans 10:9 and I confess with my mouth the Lord Jesus, and I believe in my heart that God raised Him from the dead. I receive salvation today. Hallelujah, I'm free and I give my All to You God, in the Name of Jesus. AMEN.