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Proverbs 30:24-25:

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(KJV)

LUKE 12:47-48:

47 And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes.

48 But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

(KJV)

Everyone to whom much is given of him will much be required of him to whom men commit much they will demand the more

In verse 47 tells three crucial things that are the responsibilities of each individual human being. First is to know the lord's will, second is to prepare for it and the third is to do according to that will.

In verse 48 we see that knowledge brings responsibility but knowledge that you don't act upon has greater consequence. A man that doesn't know the will of God stills suffers consequences.

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That is like somebody who lived on the Earth and maybe he wasn't born again and have gone to hell and did not discover the will of God for his life but if the plan and purpose of God for his life is to become an Evangelist. Yet he has

gone to hell. He is not going to just give and account to God as an ordinary human being, he is going to give account for an Evangelical call too. Yet he never even got born again, not to talk of discovering or walking in that Evangelical call. That is why this issue of knowing the will of God is so critical.

If God shows you that you are going to be like this for him, then that affects the kind of preparation that he has marked out for you. If God shows your friend that he is going to be like that, then that determine his own preparation. So you don't compare yourself with another person and say well, because this is my friend or this person is operating like this that must be what God has called me to do. We have to individually seek the will of God and prepare for it.

Proverb 30:25 teaches us that our operation in the Earth according to our destiny is going to be a product of our preparation towards that. According to proverbs 30:24-25.

These ants are to teach us that preparation can make up for the absence of strength. Many people say well I don't have financial strength, I don't have numerical strength etc. and so I can't do what God has called me to do but if you prepare on time, then when the issue of strength comes in, your preparation will make up for the shortage of strength or whatever. A man can have a lot of strength but if he doesn't prepare he will be exposed.

God wants us to learn the secret of preparation from the ants. He also goes further to talk about that in the book of proverb 6:4-6 He talked about the sluggard here God specifically said that a man that is lazy should study the ants. The Ants are picture of preparation. They sense that winter is coming and they begin to prepare their food for that time when they won't be able to go out and the cold is going to affect them. It is like you look at the winter part of your life when you won't have as much strength as a young man. What are you doing to prepare for the future? What are you doing to prepare for a time that things are not going to be as rosy as they are now?

Some people live their life on the basis of anything can happen. You don’t have to live your life like that. You just have to plan and trust God. Get the will of God and then get your plan under the purpose of God for your life. It doesn’t mean that you don’t plan for the future. It just means don’t be carrying the burden of the future.as if you are responsible for it. Make your plans and go towards your future without diffidence but with confidence.

PROVERBS 6:6-11:

6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:

7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,

8 Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.

9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?

10 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

11 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

(KJV)

The ants have developed internal control which we are going to look at. He said, learn from the ants, the secrets of preparation on time.

Don’t do emergency preparation in your life, if you are a student, don’t plan that when exam is going to be a week away, that is when you are going to start reading and reading crazily. Read consistently. If you want to develop a strong prayer life, it doesn’t work by praying 7 hours on Saturday for the whole week and the rest of the week you don’t pray. If you pray 30minute daily consistently, it is better than praying 3 hours once a week at a go. If you fast consistently once a week, it is better sometimes than fasting a long stretch because of crisis. That was what happened to the disciples on one occasion when they were with the lord Jesus Christ.

They said, they couldn’t cast out an epileptic demon and they asked why. He said because of the smallness of their faith. He said, [kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting] He was not saying they should go and pray and fast that day. He said, they should have done their prayer and fasting and what prayer and fasting is supposed to have put inside should have been there before this crisis came.

Don’t wait until crisis comes before you begin to prepare. The ants teach us that preparation on time will make up for lack of strength. In fact, it will make

the person that has prepared on time look like he is stronger than the people that really have strength. For instance, if you prepare to begin to save and build a house, when you move into it, people will think you are a wealthy man. Whereas you may not necessarily be earning so much and somebody that earns much more but doesn’t have a plan towards building a house can look like a poor man.it works everywhere. An averagely intelligent student that prepares right from the start of the semester to read consistently towards an exam will likely come out better than a genius that reads a day or two before the exam.

The same is also applicable to our lives. If you consistently build and prepare towards your destiny, towards your calling, towards your goal, when the time of manifestation comes you will look stronger than somebody that really has greater gifts and grace in his life but didn’t prepare. That is what the ants shows us. They don’t joke with their preparation, many people die in the winters of their life because they don’t prepare for the winter during the summer. Learn to take advantage of the various seasons in your life to prepare for the next season, seasons come, seasons go.

There are seasons of preparation in our lives. No matter who you are no

matter the level you have reached, there are always seasons of preparation for a greater dimension and if you miss a season of preparation, of course there is not going to be a season of manifestation as far as that issue is concerned. When people see a man that is in his season of manifestation, they think it is an over-night success. Many times, it takes a lot of years in hiding before you can see an overnight success. Prepare on time and God will manifest you on time.