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Nathaniel:

Welcome to brothers of the world. I'm Pastor Nathaniel and I've got a message for you today because brother you need the word. And for those of you that are fortunate enough to be here live with us in the sanctuary, you know today we had no instrumental music. Everything was done without piano. It was done without drums. It was done without guitar. Everything was done acapella with just the voice. And it was something that God had laid on my heart in the Friday servers that for today we will just have voice only and I did not understand that until God told me what to speak on today. And basically, I want you to turn to Luke Chapter 17. And we're going to be reading verses 20 and 21. For those of you that it here it's on the back of your program but here Jesus is talking to the disciples and here Jesus says and when he was demanded of the Pharisees.

When the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and say it and here as Jesus relates the story and sometimes as he teaches to the disciples and he has to relate what he has to do with other people. It says when the Pharisees came in and they ask Jesus when is the kingdom of God coming? And some of you all want to know right that right now. There's a lot all this stuff you promised me. All of the stuff on falls ahead. All of this joy and all of these people. Lord, when is this stuff coming to me? How many of you all have wondered when was the stop God promised you will get here? How many of you have wondered that? And the Pharisee, they came and they asked Jesus. Lord, when is then kingdom of God coming? And it says here, he answered them and said, the kingdom of God cometh not with observation neither shall they say low here or low there for behold the kingdom of God is within you.

Let me reads what the New Living Translation says, one day the Pharisees asked Jesus, when was the kingdom of God come? Jesus replied; the kingdom of God isn't ushered in with visible signs. You won't be able to say here it is or it's over there. Jesus says, the kingdom of God is within you. And I understand why God said no instruments today because he wanted you to see what was already in you. And I want to speak to you today simply from the subject of your stuff is enough. Turn to the person sitting next to him and you tell him, you stop, it's enough. God wants you to know that your stuff is enough. See, you have been looking on the outside, you've been looking over here. You've been looking over there. You've been waiting for stuff to come to you. You've been

waiting for things in the external that changes and God is trying to tell you, your stuff is enough. That the kingdom of heaven, that the kingdom of God, that everything that you need God has already placed within you and you could see that by the music today. When you assume sometimes that you need all of the electronic marble. That you need all of the repercussions. That you need all of the outside of. You see most of the time you're not going to be where brother I'd been can plays a notes for you. Most of the time when you need a song you go to the only one that can sing that song.

And you'll going to have to learn it that your stuff is enough. Whatever God has given you is enough. The kingdom of God is within you. And unless it is for someone else. The bottom line of your possibility is really to satisfy you. See, everything that you're trying to get. Everything that really your trying to do unless it's for someone else. The bottom line is to satisfy you. Whether it's a house, a job, a car, clothes and relationship unless it's mission. The purpose of it all is to really is to satisfy you but Jesus have the kingdom of God. It's not money, it's not houses and land. Jesus said you won't see it with visible signs. You can't touch it. You can't tactilely feel it because it is within your stuff is enough and after the Friday service you may have noticed I didn't hang around the church. If you wanted to talk to me, I was gone. You know why I was gone?

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Now I turned in and say, wonder why the pastor was gone. I'll tell you why I was gone, because Puddin was waiting for me on the 25th floor of the Ritz Carlton Hotel. That's why I was gone. You see, Puddin every now and then she likes to get away and she says she just wanted to get away from the kids and just get away for a minute so she can have a few hours just the day alone by herself and she went and made the reservation at the Ritz Carlton Hotel. And then, she asked me after she'd made the reservation. She said, would you come with me, I think but Puddin you close the door on there by yourself. She said can you come with me and she (00:05:57) I mean while I was at work and she sent me her confirmation number and she said meet me on the 25th floor after the weekend work. So, I got out of here right after the weekend work. I was headed down to the Ritz Carlton and when I got there and when I open the door, Puddin was in the, getting in that was tiger brows. I didn't mean brows -- I mean the way might -- I'm

not up. Now, she had also underwear because you're not supposed that you some of those kind of words in the pulpit but let me tell you (00:06:34) sometimes when I get up to there, I wasn't the pastor.

And Puddin didn't call me pastor but I'm just trying to tell you folks that was gone has already given you your stuff if enough. And when you understand that. I see some of you are may not have leopard skin or any tiger underwear, a lingerie. I'm just to tell you use what you got. If you don't have any tiger skin and all that Victoria Secret stuff you going in your closet get you to the holiday and towel that you got, wrap that thing around, you shake your stuff and use what you got because whatever God gave you your stuff is enough. And when we understand that to use what we've got because all of the discontentment in the world. It is not due to lack of stuff. It's due to not using the stuff you got. Your stuff is enough. The kingdom of God is within. And some of you so past, I don't have a wife or pastor, I don't have a husband, or pastor we can't afford to go to the Ritz Carlton. You're not going to Ritz Carlton. All you've got to do put you a chair up under your door knob. Because some of you may have you know sometimes when your bedroom door -- our bedroom door (00:08:37) lock. You know, the door won't close but (00:08:39) a chair upon the knob. Use whatever you got. Your stuff is enough. Your wife, your own husband you see and sometimes we've got to understand.

My family business is hair care. We produce the second largest treasure in the State of Georgia. And it's a beauty, its full of beautiful women and it's easy to get side trip looking at all the stuff done. And God has to bring and he has to make it clear to you that the boy(ph), your stuff is enough because if you ever get to the point where you feel that your stuff is not sufficient and your stuff is not enough you get into this mentality and you'll never have the kingdom of God because you always looking on the outside and as we even deal with this is possible sire you've have to understand that if you ever truly want what the real bottom line of all of the possibility that you are trying to fulfill you're trying to get the kingdom of heaven and when you look at all you're trying to feel good. You're trying to be happy. You're trying to be content.

If you never understand that the stuff that really you require to do that with God has already place this inside of you. You'll never be happy with the external stuff because as always there will be some stuff, but if your never happy with the stuff God has given you, you've got to understand your stuff, is enough. And when you have a really, really stuff to look at stuff God has given, you'll fins God has really given you some pretty good stuff. See, when I looked at Puddin and see my wife put -- if you have to listen to Puddin talk, Puddin has a deep voice. She doesn't have one when little happy and nothing wrong with the happy what was tough was deep. You know why its deep because she has a lot of testosterone, that's drive and I'm okay when I got up on that 25th floor that all I can have. See, God has given you all you can handle. If you just handle what God has given you there's about all you can handle. Your stuff is enough.

And see this relates to all areas no matter what it is. Do you think God has made a mistake? And that which he is allowed you to control and to possess. Do you think God has made a mistake with that? And our problem comes in not with what God has given us. That's what happen with children of Israel. They became distant in what God has given them not understanding that their stuff was enough. And when you understand that your stuff is enough. Stuff will start changing because see if you start treating your stuff like it's enough, you'll be surprised it changes your stuff. Do you know if you treat your stuff like, Lord I'm so glad to hear this stuff. Hard this is the best stuff in the world. Do you know when I treat my Puddin like that, do you know the stuff gets better but when you treat your stuff like your stuff is enough the stuff gets better. But if you treat your stuff like the stuff is insufficient, the stuff gets worst. Turn to your person is telling me, your stuff is enough and yet I know some of you in here don't have cars but you got a buses from the second to none and see you don't appreciate that buses (00:12:45) do you go other places. Go to some other foreign countries and look at their bus. Folk hanging at the bus so first of all its not air conditioned. Our buses are air-conditioned. If you go to some other countries and you see people arriving on the bus, they are literally they hanging out of the bus. They hanging out of door, they hang out of the window, it's hot over there. The bus -- our bus is like limousines.

So, even if you own a bus and then you got a rapid transit system is second, your stuff is enough and we don't appreciate the stuff that God has given us when we start looking around and guess is

see the reasons people that we get dissatisfied with our stuff is because we look at someone else stuff. Let me tell you of something people, the grass may look greener on the other side but that's they called its more manure on the other side. See, see, see sometimes you aren't just see the grass but to make the grass green takes more manure. You don't see the manure. All you see is the grass and you become discontent with your stuff looking over the fence at another person's stuff and you soon become dissatisfied, mad, angry with the world because you feel your stuff is insufficient. Your stuff is enough.

I want you to turn to the book of Mark Chapter 6 and as we go over this parable that Jesus targets on the back of your program beginning at the 35th verse and this is a story of how Jesus had to people teaches them all of the day and you know the story the people were hungry. They beat up and the disciples said, "Lord, what we're going to do?" And here it says, and when the day was now far spent the disciples came onto him and said this is a desert place and now the time is far fast. There's a lot -- we are here in desert, how many of you have felt like -- I don't see any water around me. I don't see any flesh trees.

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I don't see any at all. I feel like I'm out here in the desert and the tan is for our skin. I'm getting old am I hand to death? Send them away that they may go into the country around about and into the villages and buy themselves bread for they have nothing to eat. The disciples said, Lord we haven't go elsewhere to get satisfied. Jesus looked at him and told him, your stuff is enough. He answered and said onto them, give them to eat and they say onto him, shall we go and buy 200 penny worth of bread and give them to eat. Now 200 pennies worth usually a penny of the days wage. That was almost a whole year of salary. The disciples to Lord, do we need to go and spend a whole year of salary trying to buy these folks something to eat? He sayeth onto them, how many loaves have you go and sees and when they knew, they say five and two fishes. In other word, they say, Lord, we don't have much stuff. And this is the thing about it, the stuff they did have one when he missed. It's a lot, we don't even have much and the little boy, that's his stuff. Jesus told him to go and see what stuff you got. See, minutes have, Lord do we need to go over here and get this look just stop and see what stuff you have. Turned in and to see what stuff you got already. See, when you start and you start

counting up the stuff that you got already and once you counted it, it may not be or it may not appear that it is a whole lot and he commanded them. To make it all. He said, he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass and that Jesus told them, sit down on the green grass. Do you know the green grass is around all of you, right? Where you just sit down where you at. He said, you look around, you see green grass. All of you just sit down on the grass. And sometime -- he didn't say look go get you a mansion. Go find you a nice lever chair. Go get you a reclining. Go -- he just sit down in the green grass. People if you just stop and look around and just sit down in the green grass. The grass is free. The air is free. The freshness is free. You find how much stuff you really got. Sometimes you just need just sit down in the green grass that's around you and stop worrying about the grass on the other side of the fence that's someone else has. And Jesus had them sit down in groups and he sit in and when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven and blessed and break the loaves and gave them to his disciples to set before them and the two fishes divided thee among them all. Now right quick, Jesus did five things. First, he looked up to heaven then he blessed it which means he gave thanks. People, let me tell you, if you just take Jesus look go see what stuff you got. If you go get the stuff you got, look up to heaven and thank God for the stuff you got. You start seeing your stuff a whole lot more. See the problem we move when I start looking at the stuff, I got I mean and I will tell you. Sometimes Puddin had the magazines at the house. She has all these sitting my gully fine women but when I start looking at the stuff I got and I start seeing them tiger, I said Lord have mercy. Look at the stuff I got.

See people if you start just looking at the stuff you got look up to heaven and say, thank God for the stuff that you have given me. He looked up to heaven, he blessed thee, give thanks, he then broke it and gave it to his disciples. You see people there's just something about even when God has given you stuff. There's a saying about sometimes you have to take and you have to break it. So, what (00:18:56) is all about. And he says he gave so you see what you have, you gave thanks and then you bless it and then you break up a piece and then you give it no matter how small amount of stuff you have you have enough to give and when you give your stuff miraculously becomes multiplied. Your stuff is enough. I don't care what the world tells you. And Apostle Paul said having the food and rain, you got enough and most of them

got more food, they got more clothes they will ever use. Your stuff is enough and too much.

For those of you that are listening to this message God is trying to tell you right now that what he has given you, that what he has blessed you with is already it is enough and it is too much. Thank God. Bless God that he's given you so much and blessed your stuff. Thank you for watching Brothers of the Word because brother you need the word.

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