

Pt.2 - The Pastor's Beard

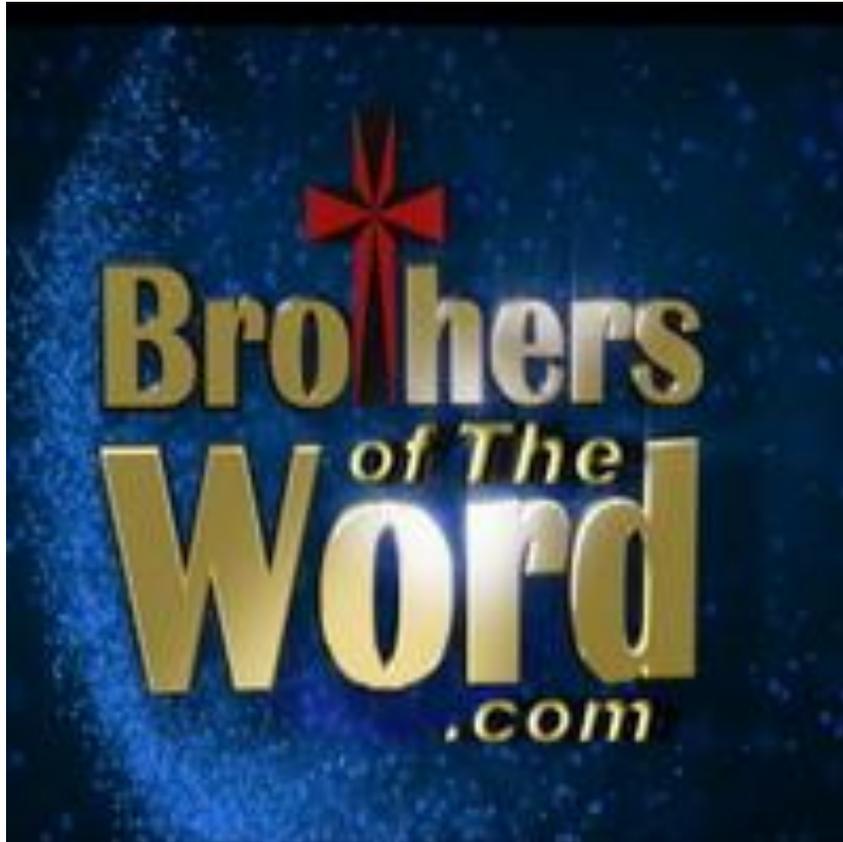
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Nathaniel:

I'd like for my oldest son, Nathaniel Bronner III, he would stand up and come down here right quick. I've been out of town, I've been traveling a whole lot this month and the week before last, when Father's Day, I was actually on the road on the highway coming back from Orlando and I had taken my oldest, I had taken C. Elijah's son, Bernard's son, and my next-door neighbor's son. We all went on a cruise to the Bahamas. So, on Father's Day I was coming back and oldest son was with me, we just got back yesterday. I took him to New York for three days. The reason that I took him to New York -- we left on Tuesday came back yesterday. I took him to stay in the New Yorker Hotel, in room 3327. Room 3327 was where Nikola Tesla lived the last days of his life, most of you have no idea who he was. He was a greatest scientific genius of the modern world. AC current, the recent we have power, fluorescent lights, radio, microwave, x-ray. All that stuff came out of the man Tesla.

My son wants to go into science and to be an engineer, and I told him the same as my father did me. He took me to the greatest man of the time. And I said, "Son, I'm here to take you, Tesla's did. But I want to take you to the room where he lived and I want to stay in that room for three days." He chose that room for a reason. I said, "If you want to be a scientist, I want to take you to one of the greatest scientists of the modern time. He is more brilliant than Einstein, he had more discoveries and change more stuff in the world than Edison and most folk have never heard of. I want to take you to the presents of the anointing of the greatest specific man of the modern world." And I asked him to come here and stand, because while I was on the cruise God (00:01:53) to me. Sometimes, when you're away from everything, He begins to speak to you.

A few months ago, my wife talk with me about my son and she said, "His hair is wild." And she said, "You need to talk to him about cutting his hair." And I paused for a moment and I said, "(00:02:15), I can't to that." She said, "Why?" I said, "Because he's wearing his hair the way God has told me to wear mine." I said, "He's more in obedient to the divine law than I am." And I know the truth, and if you reach a word you know it too. I said, "So, I know the truth." I know it's more corporately acceptable, I know that. But what is corporately acceptable and what is divinely acceptable? These are whole lot mess acceptable by the world and the (00:02:47) through whole lot is mess. But what is

corporately acceptable and what is divinely ordain are often two entirely different things.

And while I was on that cruise, God begin to deal with me about my hair. And you all remember years ago, I preached a sermon called, "The Pastor's Beard" and it was on a season where I let my hair grow, I would not shave and it was by God's direction. And I said, "Lord, are you leading me to do this thing again?" He said, "I really never told you to stop." And I said, "What about now?" He said, "Go back and listen to the message you preached called "The Pastor's Beard." And when I went back and listen to that message, I knew what I had to do without question but it's away from corporate standards. I have to explain it you so when you see my look go to changing in next Sunday as I begin to go into 42 and I may wait until July of April for a particular reason before I begin but I'm going to take all of that hair off so that it's gray, it's gray underneath. I going to let my beard grow out, great.

And when you go and listen to "The Pastor's Beard", you understand the main reason I didn't want to do it was not because I didn't think it was right, it was vanity. And I thought about it, I really believe God is getting rid to elevate us to a whole different level and He has already seen one of the big problems you're going to have with elevation is pride. And that's the pack of all human thing, it's not just me. Turn to the person -- he isn't just a pastor, it is me. All of us have that issue and I begin to see "The Pastor's Beard" even in a different light that perhaps he has to let my hair grow out, my beard grow out, let it grow out gray. So, (00:04:36) up because right now, I'm looking good. Oh, I'm looking good (00:04:42) for 57 years old, I'm looking awesome. Isn't it (00:04:45) about that? But once the hair grows out gray, it adds 20 years to you without question. So, it changes pride and often times even a child can become more sensitive to the leading of God.

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When I was back in the makeup room in this morning, I was telling the Barbara Evan(ph) and I was telling Lucrecia(ph), "Very soon, I'm going to start not cutting my hair and not taken off my beard." And Lucrecia said, "You need to let your hair be like else because we all like it" And she said, "Then your wife didn't like it but we do." So, I'm going to start making that

change. And people, some of you -- I'm not telling you let your hair grow but I do remember at the time that I was doing it when I preached "The Pastor's Beard", I was in a store and a man came up to me and he said, "Pastor Bronner." He said, "My pastor watched you and watched your sermon called "The Pastor's Beard." And he said, "Our pastor has every man in the church, not shaving and not cutting his hair." And I said in that stuff, "What?" He said, "Yeah." He said, "Your message impacted him so much and he went and studied to see if you would come in truly from -- he said, "Your message impacted him so much that he has got every man in the church not shaving and not cutting his hair. I'm not suggesting or telling anybody else to do that's something God has for me, for where I have to go. And you always have to understand when things or individual and specific for you. But I wanted my son to come and stand behind me to just said, "Thank you son for showing daddy a way." And that's why I could not tell him to cut his hair because I knew down in my gut and I knew for what God had told me, "He was more righteous than I" because I wanted to look young and I wanted to look corporate and I wanted to look in style.

But you know, when your eyes change -- when we're in New York, I began noticing a lot of men with the dreads and with the long hair. And my image was changing, it began to look so powerful and so, it changes. See, once you start looking through a divine set of eyes, everything that you see will change and all of the old stuff will begin to look old and God will give you some new eyes. And you people, you actually do need to go back and listen to that sermon I think I preached it in 2005 or 2006. It was been a long time ago but it has never left and God's truth never changes.

So, I'm getting ready for reasons that maybe I don't even understand. I'm getting ready to get back in live with what God wants me to do. And He's changes just the way -- He's going to change the way I look, it's simple as that but He will change power and often times, with many of you before he can elevate you, his got to amble you.

James and I, we were at a dinner and I think James and C. Elijah was there and then pastor came and he was (00:07:50) he has been praying for God to amble him. We said, "You don't want that too, huh?" That thinking get rough on you, you don't

know what your asking for, but oftentimes, before He can elevate you, He has to amble you. So, son, I thank you for just coming down and letting the people see you and -- so, that is where I am headed and as I began 42, and I will probably at least at the very minimum keep it up until the next 42. Brother, I have been talked about 42 in His message and we got to replace our banner because I remember when I first put that banner off and God let me to put it up and I knew it was a whole lot of jumble stuff on it. And God spoke, He said, "Before you take anything off, you add more to it." We got more stuff to add on it. So, I had to go back and put the whole banner redesigned to add more stuff on it because we've added additional programs since that banner was created. And God (00:08:53) before you take anything at all, you add more to it and sure enough he did a it right as he could be. 42 is a program that truly does change and if you ever going to do 42, I believe that the 42 coming up in January is going to be the most impact for one. It will benefit you to do it every time because it changes your body, it changes your mind, it changes your spirit, it changes all kinds of stuff. But if you only going to do it once, you need to do it January 2014. There is something special about that even the scripts that's written on the floor is Exodus 42:12.

January 2014 will be the 12:42, it's amazing how fast time moves, it will be the 12:42. Some of you in here your bodies even had transformed and James (00:09:44) he said, "look at them, look at them." He said, "They just transformed radically." You know, you all trying not to get too puffed up in prayers because your looking so good but you have truly been transformed but the greatest is still yet to come. I think our major destiny still ahead of us and that first 42 of 2014, I believe is going to be -- something is going to happen, it's going to be truly transformation and awesome. Bow your heads.

There Heavenly Father, I just thank you for this day. I thank you for all of your servant gift Father, I thank you for Brother Ivan and ministering through him and to the people and prayed that the message the he delivered they shall absorb and transform and change lives and forgive and forget and move on. Father, I thank you for him and all of his expertise and all of his passion that he has placed in to the musical ministry. And Father, let him know that even his ministry, it's still headed to another level and that even for all of us, where we are is not where we shall be but you have destiny appointed unto each of

us that will blow our minds. Help us to remain amble as you take us to that destiny keep us strong, keep us to where we can resist the temptations that shall come and help us to listen and heed the words that You shall speak into us. Father, I prayed that upon this day that You take control of my mind and my spirit and every word that I shall speak that You open the hearts and minds of the people that they shall received the worlds that You shall bring forth upon this day and thy son Jesus His name, we pray. Amen.

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