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And now for 5817, "Celebrate As If The Increase And The Explosion Has Already Come."

Nathaniel Bronner: We have gone through a different level even with just the entertainment and the food that we have tonight. It was because of what God spoke to me. He simply said, "Celebrate as if the increase and the explosion has already come." And I want to tell you to do that in your life. Celebrate as if the increase and the explosion has already come.

I have found in life and there's a rule of just physics, like attracts like. When you start celebrating life as if the increase and the explosion has already come, it's going to change some of the things in your world and it will change some of the things that happened. It will change the way you talk. It will change the way you walk. It will change even the way you think. It will change what comes to you. It changes what you attract. Celebrate as if the increase and the explosion has already come.

Often, we wait in life to get certain things before we will be happy. When I can get this, if I can get into a house, then I will be happy. As soon as I can get these kids out of the house, then I will be happy. As soon as I can retire, then I will be happy. As soon as I can get a raise, then I will be happy. As soon as I can get a wife, then I will be happy. As soon as I can get a divorce, then I will be happy. We're waiting on the, "then" and God said to the church, "For this season, celebrate as if the increase and the explosion has already come." And I begin to even see a revelation in that. In truth, the increase and the explosion has already come. It depends on, number one, what you are waiting on to increase and what you are waiting on to explode.

First of all, today is of course my birthday. I'm 63 years old. Do you know I've increased in age? Now, I just want to show of all of the hands out there, who have increased in age. And some of you are saying, "Well, pastor, that's not a good thing to be increasing. What's the option?" So, if you don't increase in age, what's the option? So, just to even increase in age and the thing that God spoke to me, he said, "Tell the people." Because number one, whenever I speak, increase, to my people, the first thing that comes to their mind and oftentimes the only thing that comes to their mind is money. When God talks about increase and you hear somebody talk about increase and breakthrough, all it runs to the majority of most people's minds is about money.

Well, God told me to tell you tonight, "Put that number four on your list." Now, He didn't say, "Not put it on the list." Because money is important. Don't let anybody fool you about that. They brought Jesus gold. Money is important. You do need money in life to survive and to prosper. Money is absolutely necessary. It is absolutely important, but it is not the most important thing. God says, "Put it number four on your list."

Now, in order for you to put money is number four. Because if I tell you to prepare for the increase, celebrate as if you are already got it. I want, first of all, all of you, most of you who have a bank account, you have what you can access your balance on your phone. I want to just see your expression if you access your balance right now and it was over a million dollars. What would your face look like?

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What would your face look like? Now, imagine if you had over a million dollars in your account. The feeling that you would have for a season, the feeling that you would have for a season and God is in celebrate as if the increase has already come, but put money number four on your list. So, what do you put as one, two and three? And it is how we prioritize those things in life that will often determine our joy, our peace, and our contentment through life, or our misery and discontentment through life.

Number one, we've had many of the testimonies here and we've had a lot of the testimonies that have dealt with the trials and

the tribulations. You're always going to have trials and tribulations. I don't know anyone who does not have trials and tribulation. Even if you did have that million dollars in your checking account right now, you would still have trials and tribulation. It does not end just because you have an increase of money. So, I want first of all for you to fill in those first three things and put money as number four. So, what would you put as number one on your list of things for increase? I hear health, peace. I hear God. That's number one on my list. If you got God, you got everything.

Now, your increase in God is something that you have absolute control over. To be honest about it, you don't have absolute control over your money, but you do have absolute control over whether you say to yourself, "For this next season, I am going to have an increase in my relationship with God." And if you've got an increase in your relationship with God, it changes everything because first of all, you realize no matter what happens, as long as you are walking in God's path, everything that happen God has ordained this for my better good. I believe everything in my life about that. Sometimes stuff happens to me like not that pleasant. I said, "The Lord is going to straighten all of these." All I have to do is make sure I'm walking where He told me to walk. And if I do that, no matter what happens, God's got it. And when you have that, it changes.

So, if you're going to increase your relationship with God, let me hear some celebration on that. Amen! Amen! Amen! Celebrate! Celebrate! Celebrate! Amen! As if the increase and the explosion is already here.

Marcus Lowe, where are you at? I want you to come down here real quick for a second. Just hurry on down. Is he in the sanctuary? Hurry on down. I want Marcus to -- he didn't know I was going to call on him with this. So, he's totally shocked. Where is the microphone? Get the microphone from C. Elijah. Now, what I want you to do Marcus is this. Back in 2007, we had an explosion in the church literally. You were here. Tell them. It's been 11 years ago. Do you still remember it?

Marcus Lowe: Absolutely. It was on Thanksgiving. Me, him and Antonio, we were here working out some sounds and stuff like that and all of a sudden it's just big boom and we're just like, "Where did that

come from?" Because there was nothing back here. Absolutely nothing back there.

Nathaniel Bronner: Except the statue of Jesus. The statue of Jesus was in the corner.

Marcus Lowe: Yup, that was it. Like it was nothing back there. Like outside of the statue, a big loud boom like right after the service. It was an experience for sure.

Nathaniel Bronner: So, we've had an explosion in the church before. There's a whole story behind it, but that was a huge statue of Jesus here. And the thing was so loud, it literally vibrated the church and God had told me, I was working on a project and He had told me, He said, "When you finish this project, I will give you an audible sign that it is finished." So, this boom shook the church and a few minutes later, God said to me, "It is finished."

Sometimes, the explosion does not come the way you think it's going to come and I thought about even how the sound of explosion. There's often even in the heavens versus the earth. We have rain even today. There is a delay between the light and the sound. There was a delay between when the light flashes and you hear the sound. Most of the time, if you're in a thunderstorm and you see the lightning, you can begin to count and you'll know that the thunder will reach you several seconds later after the light has flashed. Sound travels at roughly five seconds a mile.

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So, if you count 10 seconds between the time you see the light and hear the sound, that's basically two miles away. And I thought about this thing often times with the words of our mouths, its sound, by the time it reaches the heavens, it's delayed. And sometimes what we speak, we don't see the manifestation of our sound until later. So, that's why God is telling you right now, even celebrate, live. Now, don't go out and spend any money, but live in your spirit and in your joy as if the increase has already come and put money as number four on your list. So, number one should always be God.

Pastor James, he sent me an email today that was talking about Warren Buffett, his assessment of life and Warren Buffett had

one thing that he assessed his life with. Warren Buffett, for those of you don't know, he's the third richest man in the world. He used to be number two, but the Amazon founder Jeff Bezos moved to number one. Bill Gates is number two and now Warren Buffett is number three.

Warren Buffet with all of his billions of dollars, the third richest man in the world says that he gets to the end of every year and he analyzes he assesses life by one thing. How many people around him loves him and he loves. He assesses his life by relationships and this is something that the psychologists have found that enrich his life more than anyone else, just having good relationships. Makes a difference. That is something that you have the power to increase and you need to start celebrating right now as if your relationships have already increased. And you may say, "Well, (00:11:53) warmed me." You warm up. See? If you warm up, it changes the warmth in the room. Aren't you the Christian? So, if you're the Christian, you warm up, you set the temperature and you will change the relationship. Celebrate as if the increase and the explosion has already come.

We got a big spread of food downstairs. It's the biggest spread of food we've ever had and they asked, "Well, pastor, do you want breakfast or do you want dinner?" I said, "Let's just do both of them. Let's celebrate as if the increase is already here." So, we had a bigger band, we've got a bigger spread of food. We're celebrating as if the increase is already here. And God is saying, "For you to do that in your own life, start celebrating. Start believing and start speaking as if it's already here."

Lord, I'm going to have a better relationship with you. I'm going to pray more. I'm going to seek your face more. I'm going to seek your will more and I'm going to follow your will, Lord. Lord, I'm going to have closer and better relationships in my life. I'm going to start (00:12:59) so much more. I'm going to hug for more. I'm going to start speaking positive more. Lord, I'm going to make my relationships better. Start claiming the increase right now in those areas in your life and God says, "Make money number four. Make money number four." In the churches, there are so money focused. We are so money focused.

We did have a recommendation from someone who said, "You need to just put a donation basket at the dinner, so when people come, they could just put some money in the church before they

get to dinner.” I said, “Yeah, that would raise money, but somehow it’s not our spirit.” There’s nothing wrong with that. It’s just not our spirit, especially when the folk have been good and you’ve given all year long. You’re going to eat because your money is paying for it anyway.

So, money is important, but God says, “Put it number four on your list.” So, first, if you serve God, if you focus on God, if you increase your relationship with God, automatically, you’re going to start having increases in your life that’s going to be beyond anything you can imagine. Start with your earthly relationships in getting those straight. And then, number three, I hear somebody mentioned, it’s health.

You can’t enjoy anything if you’re sick. That’s just bottom line. So, even when you go down and eat, moderate yourself. I have one rest day a week that I eat whatever I want to eat. Six days a week, I’m pretty strict on my program. One day a week, I don’t do any exercising and I eat what I want to eat. That one day a week, I’m just off. I just enjoy myself.

So, you’ve got a spread of food down there. Now, don’t go crazy, but there are some of you right now and your physical is not the best. And even though we have the God Heals Program here, we are a nutritional company, we focus on a lot of things, we have the Healing CD. A lot of your health is really up to you. It really and truly is.

Pastor James, he sent me two things today. He sent me one Warren Buffett’s philosophy and he sent me this viral video, and this viral video was a video of a preacher up on stage and he had one of those track hurdles on stage as a prop and he said, “When the Holy Ghost is with you, it’s easy to jump over this hurdle.”

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And a man went to jump over the hurdle, hit the hurdle halfway, fell straight flat on his behind and couldn’t even get up and that thing just went viral. And so, this comedian was just talking about it and he said, “At least that man saw one thing, the Holy Ghost wasn’t ready(ph) with that.”

So, my guess is the man really wasn’t in shape. See? God does not just go magically just lift you up on a cloud and you haven’t

been working out, you can't jump in a height -- and you go, "No!" So, you have the ability and usually getting in better shape are your top New Year's resolution. So, you have the ability for that. Claim right now the increase, but you're going to have to get started on that. And when you celebrate as if the increase and the explosion is already come in your areas of your relationship with God, your relationship with people, the health of your body, and still your finance. When you start claiming it, believing it, celebrating it and do what you need to do to make it so, this year and the rest of your life will be phenomenal.

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