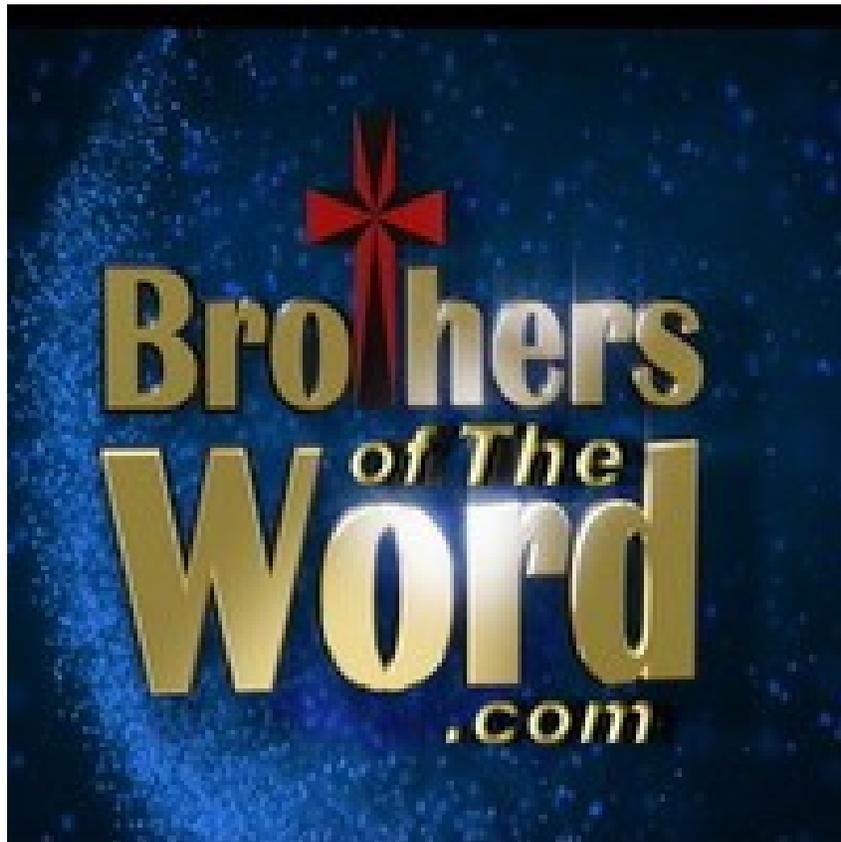


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Heavenly father, thank you for this day, O Lord. We -- Lord, we pray from over this family, O Lord, over these friends. I pray with your --. I pray that they'll have your peace that passes all understanding, O Lord, that we're not those who would look on them, O Lord, that they don't -- not understand how they could have peace in a situation -- may seen covenant with us to them.

I thank you Lord for the life of your servant Freeda(ph). Thank you Lord for the anointing that was present upon, O Lord. I thank you for the -- what she stirred in other people, O Lord. I thank you for her following your voice, O Lord, wherever she went. O Lord, I thank you -- her looking to you as the captain of her life, O Lord. I thank you that she would shut in, doing fast, seek your face, O Lord, even as the songs that need your -- that was -- she would seek after your face, O Lord. Seek your glory. She bring -- and I thank you that even after your servant -- O Lord, that you would allow her to get your full glory, O Lord, that she could stand before you face to face, O Lord. We thank you for all. Thank you that you took her sickness and her pain O Lord and replaced them with comfort O Lord.

A new -- O Lord where there's no more sickness, no more pain, O Lord. I thank you that you've taken her trouble, O Lord, placed her in the lap of luxury, O Lord, given her a mansion that you went away to prepare, a place for her, O Lord. We thank you Lord. Thank you for her life, legacy, O Lord, that will live on. The ministry of us on, living in our hearts and mind. I pray, O Lord, less of me and more of you to them. I pray that you would speak through me, O Lord. Use my voice, O Lord, as an instrument for your word. I thank you Lord, and I pray -- to receive the word that you sent today. Precious name of Jesus, we pray. Amen. Amen.

And I won't be before you long today. I'm going to do this message in the spirit of Evangelist Freeda. Sometimes she would call me on the phone and she would say, "James, I have a word of the Lord for you" and she would give me that word and after that word, she'd ask how the children and how my wife was doing, and after that, she'll be saying, "All right, but that's all I wanted. I'll get off the phone."

She would fill it out of teaching and small talk. She would give me the word of the Lord and not add anything to it. So I'm going to give you the word of the Lord today in her style. And I deliver the celebration message today, not just as a youth(ph) minister, but I deliver it also as a spiritual son. And she called her spiritual son, I called her my spiritual mother, so I get a little emotional as the day passes. Momma, I'm talking about, you have to bear with me.

When I was 18 years old, the bishop of -- he called into the front of the church. He laid hands on me and spoke some things concerning my destiny(ph). And he said at the end of that that he felt the presence of God residing in my body right then. For the first time in my life, my belief began to tremble. I wasn't nervous. I felt something uncontrollable that caused me to begin to shake. And he said, "As you

grow older, when the time comes, this anointing that's residing upon you, this mantle that will stir up."

It was four years, went by, I didn't feel that shaking again. Four years later, we went on our prayer meeting, the ARK of Salvation. Evangelist Freeda came in and she happens to stand right next to me in the prayer. So, halfway going to the prayer, I felt the anointing coming through my hand so strong. And I noticed again that my legs began to tremble even though there was no nervousness there. That there was something stirring on the inside from the anointing. The anointing in her was stirring the anoint in me, and it wasn't much long after that that I was ordained into the ministry. And I feel that same stirring, same anoint on the other day, same firm -- as the prophet Isaiah said, "The spirit is upon me." -- And as I sought the Lord for the message to deliver -- the Lord had four words that dropped into my spirit then I believe Sister Freeda wanted to get taped with you today. Those four words are, "stir up the gift." Stir up the gift. The first, technically to start in their sense -- to the mind. Dearly beloved son, you can put your name there --

Grace, mercy and peace from God, the Father and Christ Jesus, our Lord. "I thank God whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day. Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy. When I call to remembrance, the unfeigned faith that it is in thee, which dwelt first in my grandmother Lois and thy mother Eunice, and I am persuaded that is in thee also."

Verse 6 says, "Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands." Let me reread that. "Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love and of a sound mind." He's not given us the spirit of sorrow. He's not given us the spirit of -- but of love, power, sound mind.

Evangelist Freeda. She was famous for her annual men's prayer practice, where she would shut in with God. Fast in three weeks before this breakfast and she would come up with a fresh anointing and afterwards, she would minister in the word, do an altar call --. This was an altar call not just for salvation but stir up the gift and the pastors, and ministers and the saints, and the --

One year, I remember, she had some vials of oil that she had been praying over for a length of time. She talked about the anointing -- but some people just -- they weren't allowed even to touch it, but she would pick up the box and -- follow back home, the anointing --. And she gave each person a vessel of this oil. And when I got my -- I felt the anointing is so strong that I knew it was something special than -- in part. But then this oil, immediately after the service, I went home and called over to my

wife and seven children together and I anointed them one after the other with this oil. And the power of God just moved in that room, and we continue to anoint them with that oil.

After the oil ran out, the children came to me and said, "Dad, can you call Sister Freeda and see if you got --" -- old enough, they didn't know about -- it took me all night the gift of the spirit. They could name the fruit of the spirit. They were just learning some of the stories of the Bible, but all they knew is that the --

I've come here today to tell you that Evangelist Freeda, she will not be at the annual prayer breakfast to stir up the gift in you, so she sent me here today and she let me tell you that now it's time for you to stir up the gift within. She's stirring up the gift in me, did it so for so many hours. Now -- you are a baby, you drink from mother's milk, but when you get older and grow up, and she was a spiritual mother, there are so many of us, you drink from mother's milk as a baby, but after you grew up and get your driver's license then you have to get in the car and drive to the store and buy your own milk to drink. And I've come today to tell you how to get to the store house. This will help you today.

All right, full of milk and honey where you can drink until your heart's content and this milk is not a regular milk, it's a fine milk of the world which is cold, and you don't have to be 21 to drink this, it's fine. When you drink it, men will look at you and wonder. What kind of wine you could drink it early in the morning?

Oh yeah, you can partake from this just to show you the idea of a believer. Praise and worship and then give all your praises to Him. Stand and worship in the spirit and in truth, and you can drink in the fountain to your heart's contents. You have been a preacher, how do we stir up this gift? And as I meditate you on this question, I can finish on the day of Pentecost with called these tongues of fire sitting upon the apostles. If a holy spirit came like a fire, shut up and you own this. A solar power, what do you do and then not open a fire starts to get low. You have to feed the flames to get it grow bigger.

Yes. And how do you fan the flame of the spiritual fire and what does that do? But when you fan the flames in the temple, it causes more oxygen and you get total fire. Fire needs oxygen as part of its chemical reaction in order to keep burning. How do you give the spiritual fire, oxygen? You use your mouth to generate the wind, through your praise and your worship. When you give it the highest praise, hallelujah, you will generate wind. When you praise His name and tell -- the wind comes out of it again. So fan the flames of oxygen that will allow that would help us to burn. When you use your mouth and when you begin to pray unto Him, talk to Him like a loving father and sometimes you don't know what the right word is if you hear the praying tongues. The wind from it began to fan the flame --. If you can get used to your spiritual language and even when you don't know what you're saying

in English, if you would just fan it, moved it, it wind up your heart, with that some more place it like a -- the fire will again be stirred and you will again begin to burn, if you just allow the words of your mouth to blow oxygen upon the fire.

The second way to grow a fire is to stir and add logs and you stir it by actively, it reveals what the Ministry feels. The more you use the gifts, the more they will grow. They're just like muscle of the body, if you don't use it, you lose it and they'll grow soft. Wood makes paper and that represents the Word of God because it's plain old paper. Read more Word and you'll land always to the fire. If you put the Word now on the inside of you, revelation will jump off that it had developed for the fire, that this is now --

And my mother whom you've heard earlier, she's also a lamb of God. She has also --, she doesn't often hear the order of the voice of God. You know, get on her to do things when a great motivation is, you'll get it done but it's not often that she hears His audible voice. But one day, everybody's got one day.

She was then on her own on this so that He can make sure that there will be no mistake in His voice from her voice. He asked(ph) from a voice, that's an honorable voice. And that of course and that she heard, well that's a new certainty that He was gone. It's what have you done with the talents I have given you. What have you done with the talents, I have given you and I ask you that question today, turn into to your neighbor and ask them. What have you done with the talents God has given you? And it motivated mama at the right self of -- and she said, Lord create these, she's learning and then she begins to speak in churches and then feel she likes speaking. Momma's an awesome speaker but she doesn't like to speak, but she went out and got busy with her talents. She said, "I will be asked that question again. The next time He asked me I will be prepared to give Him a lift, what I'm doing with these talents." And I've told him, "Evangelist Freda, she used the talents God gave her. She traveled the world using the gift of God within and she'd just gone to Africa not long but for the --."

And God has said today that there are people all around, you sit and heard. Freda, what are you doing with you gift of healing, locked up on the inside of you, just close the -- of everything. Believe without -- there are people all around you, confuse about the path they are to take. And I find you doing with the gift of prophecy locked on the inside of you. So, there are people all around you everyday, watching the news and saying, "Corruption in the church." Saying, "Is this God?" "Who talked about real?" "Is it still allowed(ph) today?" And I asked you, what are you doing with the gift of miracle that is given to you with the spirit of God, show because He's still craving for it.

There are people all around you everyday, but no faith. There is wonder if there's any hope for them or they call for something that they may have done in the past.

And I'll ask you today, what are you doing with the gift of salvation that our Lord and savior Jesus Christ paid the price for it on his own life on the cross with pain and suffering? What are you doing with the gift of the Holy Spirit? What are you doing with the glory of Jesus the day of your life?

And I tell you that taking the words, Freda had done. And she would give in. You've got to stir up your gift. Stir up the gift. And I like to eat cakes a lot. But my aunt is good, but -- can taste, she's good to fix me well during my birthday all the time. She's an awesome baker. And to make a cake, you must use some eggs and some flours, and some sugar and salt, and other ingredients. Are all of those ingredients, individually got taste like the cake? You could put the flour in your mouth and all you have is the grandma's taste. But it's not ever to disturb -- and so you what did you hear today, I broke into the kitchen just to show you and tell you.

Now, I don't know if they're just looking at Melissa -- took us all, keeping them both and thanking both. Put on a cooking neighbor. And I want to just ask everybody in here just plant your feet and turn to a neighbor just to ask some questions. I hope that I bring my apron but I brought a wheat with me and I want you to left turn before I -- stir up the gift, all of that gift, you're stirring at something, move your hand with -- yourself, now, you turn it to something on the inside of that thing. Now feel that. Just feel --

When I think of the world, you know you'll experience these things, you'll experience these things like we had across the room. These people will talk about it. You maybe sweating and you'll have to cook(ph) sometime on your own. But don't get weary -- then you are ready. You rocks!

I don't want to end all stories. And therefore a family that was driving, they're in an old country road on a summer day. His son was shunned at a long breeze blowing, and the father dropped(ph) and they have the windows down, then the breeze come through and rolled through that car. The dog was on the back seat. They were -- in time. All of a sudden, they were enjoying themselves. A big, black bee blew in the windows. It may not sound like much but the dog in the back seat was highly allergic to bees. The family got along and they've said, "If this bee stings, we don't have a -- agree what was on the trip. We are away from hospitals and clinics. If the cause of death was in an hour -- allergy, the bee just flying around this car, there was ten and it's everywhere and their heads were moving and went up to the front, got on the windshield and the father pressed it with his hand. He held it for a little while then he put his hands like on the wheel. They keep driving and then the bee got loose again and went back in the back seat where that dog keeping it again frantically moving. They're saying, "Daddy, what did you do? If I get stung by this bee, I might not make it along." "Roll over the seat, go -- in the seat thing." "Daddy, don't let this bee sting me!" He was driving and there was panic with all of the bee. The father held up his hand and said, "Baby, I've got a

sting right in my hand with this bee and this bee -- it started to die --." He got the sting -- for we don't have the wings in the time of death.

He's already paid the pain. He's buried the sting. He's taking the sting off of you and we're all -- with His own hands. And he was my own brother, he was 38 years old, he ain't -- we went from the sphere of faith to that funeral home, and we stayed there all night long just praying for -- calling on the hands to the land of the living, laying hands and following instructions of the Lord. And in that time, our brother -- we heard his voice, and he says, "Brother, I thank you for praying and calling me back." But he said, "I don't want to come back." He said "After I've seen this sign, there's no heartbeat, time -- and this is the man who -- me, oh, how he loved his wife, who held a private business, who brought the final call on this earth, who work fine custom made suite but he had what all of -- he was in front of the light -- with all of those practices. He said "Shame on you, it's a hundred times." Very well, if -- well, we don't have to try it for modern days, that she's on places, hundred times a day. Amen.

And I want to ask her children if you'll just crossing 60s, my mother's friend, Gloria, she was at the store a couple of days ago. And she's -- there was -- that begun to catch her eyes attention with -- children with this house. And she asked God right there. She knew that there were something significant about the design. She said, "Lord, -- to see this item on the sphere." And he said this item represents Freda and she's received, a friend and I have given you all this prayer and her memory is never -- you see and you'll know that momma has gotten her path of glory. Amen. Hallelujah.