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Nathaniel Bronner: Welcome to Brothers of the Word, because brother, you need the word. And I know you are wondering what in the world am I doing with a safe sitting up here in the pulpit. I'm going to talk about that but I want to tell you if you're worried about anything, stay tuned right now for all of you who have worries and cares on your heart and just listen to this message today.

First of all, I have this safe here because God told me to bring this safe here to the church. We're going to another level and the verse where God speaks he says, "For those who are tired," he says, "I will pour you out a blessing that you have not room enough to receive." And I had a revelation just sitting here just now because we're in the midst, even with our company. Last year the church's revenue grew, my company's revenue grew. They grew by the exact percentage, down to the exact percentage.

And right now at the plant, we're building new rooms, adding new machines because we're expecting additional growth but we're maxed out right now. We're running as fast as we can run trying to produce product and the sales keep coming in and they keep growing. And I saw this morning as we went around for communion and went around with the offering, it took a long time, threw us way behind time because we got now a larger crowd than normal.

And God has said, "Prepare procedures and processes in place for a 4,200-seat church and I knew we needed change the way we're doing this. This is the problem I have with the problem with you guys. So, you want God to bless you and you get ready when the blessing comes. God said "No, no, no. You get ready first." And then it hit me with the verse where God said "I will pour you out a blessing that you have not room enough to receive." And this is what he was speaking to me. Build the room. Build the room.

That's why I thought of bringing the safe to the church. See, we don't have a safe here so we had a huge offering anywhere we put it, we put in the dish(ph) and that's it.

Build the room. If your going to another level, that's why he said, "Put processes and procedures in place," and I saw what happens when these people come and you're not ready, then you have a jam up. That's why he's been on us about time because he says, "Look when you get crowded, you're not going to go to two services, you immediately go to three." When one service would no longer handle it, you would immediately go through three but when you have three services you got to be out on time, you can't be lingering around.

So he said, I got to get you trained to time before you get to that point. And we want to, "No, no, no. Lord, you send me the money then I'll time." At least I know you won't. The devil is a lie. You won't get an order first. And say, "Lord, Lord send me the spouse then I'll get ready to be --" no, you need to get ready before the blessing comes. You need to build the room.

And it's like in business, if we waited until we got to "Oh Lord, send me the order." Then all of a sudden, all these order starts flooding in and we have no production capability. And what your going to do, just look at the orders, "Oh Lord, thank you for the blessing but I can't do anything with the blessing." You have to build the room.

So often, that we have to get ourselves prepared it's safe in heavens I don't know what. And the thing about him, I couldn't lift it. It is just too heavy. And I have the safe at my home and I told my son, I got a big muscled -- he working out all day long, I said look, you go get Joseph with his Jay's son, you all come get this safe and you all put it in the van and bring it over here to the church. They couldn't lift it.

So my wife said. "Look, you all put it on a blanket and lift on a blanket" and that's why they brought it up here in a blanket but daddy has sensed enough not to even fool with it. So sometimes, there is a weight that is too heavy for you but that's why you always have to surround yourself with people who have capabilities and abilities that are beyond yours because if you're going to get the load lifted, you can't sit around talking about your back to weak. You need to surround yourself with some people

who do have the strength, who do have the intelligence, who do have the knowledge. I can't play and sing like Calanthe(ph), so if want music going to another level, you need to surround yourself with folk who can lift the load.

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And If you don't surround yourself with people who can lift the load you will be sitting there all your life telling me, "Oh that thing sure is heavy." And you'll never get it done. And even this safe is interesting because it got three ways to get in to it. You can open it with a key. You can open it by clicking in the code and you can open it by putting your fingerprint there. But if you don't have the key, you'll never get inside where the values are. That's why Jesus said, "I give you the keys to the kingdom of Heaven." And if you don't know the keys, it can be sitting right in front of you but it's locked up, it's at hand but you can't access it.

So we're getting ready to go to another level and another level in life and I'm so excited about all of the things that I see that God is doing but I see He is trying to prepare us. And when I saw the crowd this morning and I saw we were not prepare and it took almost triple the amount of time just to process. And I had to sit down and apologies and I said "Lord, you told me this a year to go and get ready and still would bundled up down here. We haven't done it and then when the crowd comes, you can't handle it.

James had the same issue even without trade show. That's why the mayor wants to give us the honor of the trade show, his boon when you put in new leadership, new stuff start to happen but he had the same problem. It was taking people three hours to get through the line, so he had to figure out a way, "How do I figure out a way to process these people?" We want more people, we want more folk, we got to build the room to be able to handle them. So if God is going to pour you out a blessing that you currently don't have room enough to receive, build the room, build the room, build the room, get your steels in place.

Can you even handle a billion dollars? See, sometimes we want a billion dollars but you don't even know what you are going to do with it. You really don't. You don't even know what you going to do with it? So, if you have no room in your mind, how can God bless you with things that are beyond? If you don't have room enough to receive it, build the room, bring a safe to the church. If

your offerings where to go 10 fold, could you handle it, could handle the people, build the room. So in our lives, we need to build the room.

As I was driving a couple of weeks ago, God spoke something to me, he simply said this, he said, "Don't worry, for I orchestrate all things. Never forget that. Don't worry, for I orchestrate all things. Never forget that." That's why whenever you hear me talking you will never hear me giving Satan a bit of credit for anything. Now, he's got a whole lot of power and he has more folk than God. So he has got power and he got folk but if you are walking with God, the devil can do nothing that God does not allow.

God says, "I orchestrate all things including Satan." So if He created everything, He created Satan. Now, that's one of those deep theological arguments and questions but the point is, God made everything. He orchestrates everything. He said, "Don't worry, I orchestrate everything. Never forget that." And see, we can forget that sometimes when stuff goes bad of what it appears to be in our view as bad. Don't worry.

So I'm here today to tell you not to worry. In Matthew 6, beginning at the 26th verse, this is the message bible version, "Look at the birds, free and unfettered, not tied down to a job description, careless in the care of God. And you count far more to him than birds." Has anyone by fussing in front of the mirror ever gotten taller by so much as an inch?

All this time and money, wasted on fashion, do you think it makes that much difference? Instead of looking at fashions, walk out into the fields and look at the wildflowers, they never primp or shop but have you ever seen color and design quite like it. The ten best dressed men and women in the country looks shabby alongside them. If God gives such attention to the appearance of wildflowers, most of which are never even seen, don't you think He will attend to you? Take pride in you. Do His best for you. Don't you think if God has flowers looking like this, don't you think He won't take pride in you and attend to you and do His best for you?

What I am trying to do here is to get you to relax. To not be so preoccupied with getting so you can respond to God's giving. People who don't know God and the way He works fuss over these things but you know both God and how He works.

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Steep your life in God reality, God initiative, God provisions. Don't worry about missing out, you find all your everyday human concerns will be met. Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now and don't get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes. Don't worry.

Worry consumes us so much. There was once a husband and a wife and she were just worried to death about somebody breaking in the house just years and ever since they have been married. She just worried to death about somebody breaking in the house. So late one night, they heard something down stairs, heard some glass break, so she said, "Babe, you got to get up, I think somebody is breaking. You better go and see that." So the husband got up and went down stairs and sure enough there was a burglar in the house and the husband said, "I am so glad to see you." He said, "Would you come up stairs and meet my wife because she has been expecting you for the last 25 years."

Sometimes worry, it captivates us. It keeps our mind focused and worried, generally always focuses on the negative things that can happen in our life whereas hope and faith concentrates on the positive things that can happen in our life. And God told me, "Don't worry, I orchestrate all things. Never forget this." I've had so many experiences. I had the time thought where negative and God was like, "I did that. It wasn't Satan. I did that. I did that for a reason and this is the reason I did it. I did that to keep your pride under control." See, God has reasons that we may not like or understand but He orchestrates all things.

So if you are a child of God, there is only one thing that you need to worry about. The only thing you need to worry about is making sure you do what God says. That's the only thing you need to worry about. Everything else, God handles as long as you do what you were supposed to do. Don't worry about the other stuff. See all of my problems and all of my mess comes from when I have not done what God told me to do. It's simple that. As long as I'm doing what God tells me to do. Even if stuff appears in my sight to go wrong, it didn't bother me because I prayed up, I am rested up.

Pastor James mentioned about how the Mayor is going to honor the family next Friday, "I'm not going to be here." "Well, pastor, where are you going to be?" "I'm going to be in Florida." That's where I'm going. I go four days a month to rest somewhere. That's smack in the middle of my rest period. I don't care if it is the mayor. I'm not coming back. I'm going to rest.

So when you do what God tells you to do, you don't worry about all of this stuff and worry has this society so gripped and it's part of that going to the next level just even in your mind.

In Genesis Chapter 15 beginning at the 12th verse, "As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. Then the Lord said to Abram, "You can be sure that your descendants will be strangers in a foreign land where they will be oppressed as slaves for 400 years. But I will punish the nation that enslaves them. And in the end, they will come away with great wealth. As for you, you will die in peace and be buried at a ripe old age." God knew before Isaac was conceived, while Abraham's name was still Abram, that his descendants were going to be enslaved for over 400 years.

Pharaoh was a super president. He was the president, he was the congress, he was the senate and he was the Supreme Court all rolled into one. So you'll think "We got an issue now with some President." No, Pharaoh was a super president. He was the whole government. There was no Supreme Court. There was no senate. There was no congress. Whatever Pharaoh said, went. There was no other authority other than Pharaoh on earth. So Pharaoh was essentially a super president.

And do you remember what God said when Moses went to Pharaoh? First of all, God told Abraham, "Your descendants are going to be in slavery for 400 years." He knew it ahead of time. That was the reason he orchestrated it and that was the reason for that. But when Moses went to Pharaoh, the Bible said that Pharaoh did not let the children of Israel go because God hardened Pharaoh's heart. God made him keep the folks in slavery. Sometimes, we don't understand that he orchestrates all of things.

Now, the problem is this, if you are in slavery and somebody is making you now work twice as hard with less stuff and the man

won't let you go, the president won't let you go and you are looking at that? That will look like the devil all day long.

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Just all day long. Do you know how many times God hardened Pharaohs, the super president's heart and he wouldn't let the people go because it was God's orchestration? And we don't sometimes understand in our life that sometimes we're dealing with the hard person. It looks like they've harden their hearts against us for a reason. It just look like -- just like the devil, how do you know that's not God? How do you know that he was the worst trial the children of Israel ever went through and God knew it upfront way before they ever conceived that it was going to be, how long it was going to be. Do you know the year 2020 will represent 400 years for black folks? The first slaves were brought to America in 1620, 2020 will be 400 years.

I'm telling you folks, you can be free before then if you build a room for it. If you build a room for it, because the thing is when the children of Israel were released from slavery, they were still enslaved in their minds and they still never made it to the promise land because they never could to build a room for it. God tried to pour them out the blessing but they never could build a room for it. I'm telling you folks, I'm telling you, you can be free and you can make it to the promise land right now but you got to build a room for it and you got to understand God orchestrates all things, "Don't worry, I orchestrate all things. Never forget this."

So the mean person that you're dealing with, God may have that person in place just to develop your spirit because you need to develop tolerance. Jesus said, "You should love them that hate you." How are you going develop that if you never had anybody hate you? That's just like lifting this safe. How are you going to develop the muscles? I heard my son working out in the workout room last night, let me tell you what it sound like "Arrgh!" And then I heard a weight clang, "Bang!" Then I hear, "Arrgh!" "Bang!" "Arrgh!" Muscles just, "Arrgh!" And then, "Bang!" How are you ever going to develop spiritual muscles when there is no resistance?

My daddy called it sometimes when children were reared and they were just spoiled. He called it rearing a child with sugar teat in their mouth. A sugar teat used to be when they would take a

handkerchief and then put berries in it and sprinkle sugar and then wrap it up and then you had a child just suck on it. That was a sugar teat. See, many times we want to live life with a sugar teat in our mouth and it never develops us to where we can handle things when there are some tough stuff that -- do you know how much war was in the Bible? God had to teach the people even how to battle, how to conquer, how to go in and take lands, none of that stuff was easy. He had to prepare, he has to strengthen muscles and to strengthen muscles you got to push against something.

Don't worry, I orchestrate all things. And some of this stuff in the earth that's even coming right now, God is sending it just so you can develop your spirit, just so you can look at it and smile, just so it doesn't upset you, just so it doesn't worry you, just so you can say, "God got that under control. Let me do what I'm supposed to do. God's got this." And see, when you don't walk with God you don't see that God has hardened Pharaoh's heart and it's all a part of God's plan. You don't understand that. The Lord said to Moses, "Pharaoh refused to listen to you, so that my wonders may be multiplied in Egypt."

Sometimes folks, you got to go through a test so you can have a testimony. So God orchestrates all, all, all things. And that was a reason even why the children of Israel were enslaved. They sold their brother into slavery. And see, everyone one of them brothers who sold their brother into slavery, each one of them was the patriarch to one of the tribes of Israel, they all ended up in slavery. So they sold their brother, the dreamer and as a result, their descendants ended up in slavery.

We went to Africa, we walk through over in synagogue and we saw the ports and the rooms where black people were herded and shipped off to America and we talk to the Africans there and what they told us was this, they said, "The White Men didn't come to get us, we brought our own brothers to the slave ports." Just us Joseph's brothers did him, so did we, so even when you know the whole history that's not accidental. God said, "I orchestrate all of things. I orchestrate all things. There are no accidents in the earth in a divine world ruled by law and order, I orchestrate all things." So I see how God can move and he works in my life, he works in your life and we've got to understand, not to worry but we also have to understand we need to do what we need to do.

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See, Jesus told you don't worry but he also told you this, "Obey the will of my daddy. Obey the will of daddy." I want to just give you three quick points that will help you when there is a tendency for you to worry. Number one, separate things into two areas, all stuff in life is going to fall into two areas. Things you can control or influence and things you can't. they're going to be one or the two. Either you can control and influence this or things you can't. Some of you are all upset about the stuff going on over in Iran, either you can control something or you can't. Now can you do anything about that? Can you do one about that?

It's a difference if you can control this and some even say, "I'm going to do something. I'm joining the army. I'm going over there and fight." Now, that's a different. But most of us, 99.99999999% are not. So if it's something that you cannot control, that you cannot influence or that you are not going to fool with, don't let that stuff worry you. There are so many things that can worry you and they are legitimate concerns but you can't carry all this stuff on your back, that you not or do anything about and you can't do anything about, so don't let stuff that you cannot control or you cannot influence, don't let that stuff worry you.

But when anything comes, somebody as you are driving along and they just acting the fool, can you control that? Don't let anybody else acting the fool mess you up and sometimes we'll see some (00:21:35) we don't even know. They just upset us because they're acting the fool. Their spirit of foolishness, anger and upsetness permeates into our spirit.

We had an (00:21:45) worship this one. We can feel the Spirit of God permeating. The satanic spirit operates the same way. So that spirit can get in you just as the Divine Spirit. So, if you cannot control it, if you cannot influence it, don't let that worry you. You put that out of your mind.

First thing, separate them into two. Second thing, don't worry about the thing you can't control and influence. So once you separate them, you got two boxes, stuff you can control, stuff you can't. Stuff you can't control let it go. There are some things in life you just cannot control. Third things is, the stuff you got in this right box, do something about the things that you can control.

There's a whole lot of stuff and really the stuff that matters most to you, this is the stuff you can control.

So, when you listen for and heed the voice of God, it will put you on a path that is totally different and you see all the stuff in the world, it is going to be more and more stuff. It will be some negative, it will be some positive. And when you see all this stuff, the news has become masters of emotional manipulation and they just know how to push the buttons of folks just to get them upset and they keep you upset. And then, it has you focusing on the wrong thing. The stuff the news is talking about is really not the real folk in power. So it has you focusing on the wrong guy. It got you all upset, all mad. I'm on a corner like this but nothing in your hand, your head or your pocket. True, you got nothing in your hand your head or your pocket. (00:23:14 nothing in your hand, head or pocket.

So you, first of all, you need just to understand some truth about some stuff. Don't let stuff worry you, you cannot control. The stuff you can control, focus on that and then say, "There are the ten talents God has given me. These are the five talents God has given me or this is the one talent God has given me." Focus on the things you can control. And when you focus on the things you can control, ignore the things you cannot, leave that to God and prayer. It changes and it lifts all these stuff off of you because some of you got a whole weight of things and 90 percent of it is stuff that you cannot control. You can't control the attitude of your boss but if the attitude of your boss is bad because you get in late, not doing your job, that's different. That, you can control.

So, there are some things you cannot control, there are some things that you do and almost every disaster I've seen it always results from the stuff folk can control and they don't handle the stuff they can control.

God has us prepared to go to another level. I believe this with every fiber of my being. This safe represents it and I believe God is getting ready to pour some things into your life but you need the keys, you need the combination or you need the fingerprint registered in the book of life and God is going to take us all to another level.

Our time is about up. I'm getting out of here on time. Bow your heads, and I know you all say, "Pastor, that just doesn't make

sense, you got to be--” That three is what God told me to do and I’ll understand that. One of the first rules of success is to understand divine order in everybody I know who are truly successful they own time.

Dear Heavenly Father, in the name of Jesus, I thank you. I thank you for just a vision of what you are showing us and I thank you for even the manifestation that you are beginning to show us.

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Father, I pray that every person breathing the air that you have provided in this place today shall be raised to a different level. Their minds, their vision of what they shall hear, think and say shall be on an entirely different level and even today, Father, let them when they walk out to this place understand the things they can control, the things they cannot. And the things that they can control, give them a diligence, give them a heart for it, give them the mind and the power to get it done, to change the things they can control and turn everything over to you that they cannot control. And even help us to control us Father in the name of Jesus we pray, in the name of Jesus we pray, in the name of Jesus we pray, amen.

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