

Apostolic Leadership Conference 2008

Part 4 – Apostolic Father Anointing

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- Christianity is about being in life or death, not about being right or wrong.
- Right and wrong are issues coming out of life, but not life itself.
- Life is the real issue.
- God will lead you into truth, but you must first be in life.

- 2 Corinthians 3:6, NIV – *He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant -- not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.*

- Issues must be presented in Christ, not in Adam; in the Spirit, not in the flesh; from a place of wholeness, not insecurity.

- Issues may be good, but become bad because of implementation and application.
- Family is good, unless it becomes an idol.
- Marriage is good, unless it marginalizes singles.
- Authority and submission are good, unless they become control.
- Finance is good, unless it becomes greed and excess.
- Fatherhood and sonship are good, unless they become empire building.

- God made provision for where we are at.
- From some he expects a turtle dove, from some a ram, from some a bull.
- If we require “bull” standards from everyone, we have an intolerant, religious spirit

- Those of us who claim to have the most, should have the highest capacity to be patient with other’s weaknesses.

- The Apostolic Father Anointing is the grace to hand other people’s weaknesses.

- 2 Corinthians 12:14-15, NASB – *(14) Here for this third time I am ready to come to you, and I will not be a burden to you; for I do not seek what is yours, but you; for children are not responsible to save up for their parents, but parents for their children. (15) And I will most gladly spend and be expended for your souls. If I love you the more, am I to be loved the less?*

- “Spend” – I choose to give (I have control)
- “Be expended” – I will allow you to spend me (I have no control)
- “Most gladly” – joyfully, willingly

- Until you’re able to shut up, you don’t have anything to say.
- Words at the cross – declarative words
- Words out from the cross – silent words

- Faith is being continuously and presently available for God (but not man).

- Fathers stand in the place of death, and release life.

- When God’s fire is burning, the bush is not consumed.