

“Carrying the Mantle of a Godly Identity” Spiritual Identity – pt. 3

Intro:

We are on the very tipping point of a powerful move of God. As His sons and daughters are we able to carry the mantle, the anointing that God has placed upon us?

A. **What is a mantle?** Dictionary “Something that covers, envelops, or conceals, a role or position, the activities and responsibilities that come with that role or position.”

Hebrew = “glory, cloak, splendour, magnificence”

Elijah’s mantle was a specific piece of clothing that he wore. Even in the darkest times of his life he still wore his mantle! Elijah used his mantle to perform specific miracles.

2 Kings 2:8 The mantle you have is an anointing that God has given to you. **1 John 2:20** When God calls you but He places a mantle upon you to walk out that call! When God places His mantle on you, He doesn’t remove it! **Romans 11:29.**

Before you were even born, God knew you and had a plan for your life! **Psalms 139:16.** Your substance is what you are made of and who God designed you to be.

Your identity is in God and out of your identity in Him you discover your calling that He created you with, and with your calling God places His mantle on you to walk out that calling! He empowers you! **2 Timothy 1:9-10** The call of God is really an invitation and when you open up your heart to discover your calling, the Holy Spirit awakens your spirit, Spirit to spirit, to the call and plan God has for your life.

In the Scriptures the mantle marked a man and represented his calling that God had called him into. This is the mantle you wear and carry on your shoulders. Your mantle marks you for the Kingdom of God!

What is your superpower? It is the Holy Spirit inside of you! It is the mantle that you have been given by God to wear! This is not just something you take on or off!

B. **The Refiner** - There is an aspect of God that none of us can bypass and that is God the Refiner. God is holy. God is pure. God is righteous. **1 Peter 1:15-16** This is a testing, an examining, a trying of our substance so that we know what we are made of! **2 Chronicles 21:31b;**
1 Corinthians 11:28; 2 Corinthians 13:5a

C. **Wearing Your Mantle** With this mantle will come specific mandates. **What is a mandate? Mandate = “an authoritative order or command”** A mandate is a specific instruction for you to walk out within your calling, within the sphere that God has called you to. The word **sphere** in the Greek means, “**a rule, a boundary, a fixed space within the limits of which one’s power of influence is confined**” **2 Corinthians 10:13-16.** Spiritually speaking it is the realm or sphere that God has given you to use His Kingdom authority in. You are an ambassador for the Kingdom of God! You are a diplomatic official of the highest rank sent by God Almighty into a situation, a sphere, that needs the Kingdom of God there!

You have a specific calling, you carry His mantle for that call, and He gives you mandates to walk out, in the very sphere or territory He has called you to! Knowing your sphere of authority is a protection for you!

When you wear your mantle, then the authority you carry within the very sphere you are mandated to, will be recognized by the very strongholds and principalities that are functioning in that sphere of authority God has given you.

D. **Using the Mighty Name of Jesus**

There is no other name like the name of Jesus! God invested all authority and power into the Name of His Son! There is no way to put a value on His Name.

Revelation 19:11-16. Because He had endured that place – the cross – He did what no other could do and when it was accomplished, He carried the Name that no one else could carry! This is the One Who has given us His Name to use, Who has authorized us to heal the sick, raise the dead, and set the captive free in His Name! **Revelation 1:18**

The one who has the key is the authorized one. Before Jesus ascended into heaven He gave us the key to His Name. **Matthew 28:18-19; Mark 16:17** All the power and authority that was in Jesus is in His Name! And He gave His Name to the church, to us! When we speak His Name, it moves heaven and earth on our behalf! **Colossians 3:17**

Conclusion:

God has empowered you to walk in the supernatural, empowered you to operate in the spiritual realm!