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SUNDAY SERMON

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GOD OF RESTORATION!

Text: Isaiah 43:18-19

"Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old.

Isaiah 43:19 Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness

And rivers in the desert.'

Psalms 107:35 'He turns a wilderness into a pool of water and a dry ground into water springs.'

How To Receive The Restoration of God.

1. Make a List of What You Want Restored

Habakkuk 2:2 "Then the Lord answered me and said: "Write the vision

And make it plain on tablets,

That he may run who reads it.

Most of us know what's been stolen and would love to see a turnaround.

Restoration begins with making a list of what you want restored.

That is how you receive restoration from God.

It could be your marriage, a friendship, finances, time, sleep, health, joy, etc.

Acts 3:21 tells us that God restores everything.

What kind of restoration does God want to do?

Restoration of life.

Restoration of vision.

Our Vision.

To bring the liberty of Christ unto all, through the preaching and teaching of The True Word of God.

Restoration of hope.

The Lord wants to come and restore your hope.

Hope is an optimistic attitude of mind based on an expectation of positive outcomes.

Hope is one of the three theological virtues of the Christian religion, alongside faith and love.

"Hope" in the Holy Bible means 'a strong and confident expectation of the future reward'.

In modern terms, hope is to trust and a confident expectation.



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Paul the Apostle argued that hope was a source of salvation for Christians:

'For in hope we have been saved.

The Lord wants your hope to be restored. Believe Him for the restoration of your hope.

Restoration of confidence.

The Lord wants to come and restore your confidence. Perhaps your confidence has been undermined and eroded. Give it to Him and see how He will bring restoration in this area of your life.

Psalms 71:5 'You have been my hope, Sovereign LORD, my confidence since my youth.'

Hebrews 13:6 So we say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.

What can mere mortals do to me?'

May hope arise within your heart and soul in Jesus name.

Restoration of effectiveness/productivity.

The Lord wants to come and bring restoration in the area of productivity and fruitfulness.

Genesis 28:3 'May God Almighty bless you and make you fruitful.'

John 15:5 'I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing.'

May you experience His restoration in the area of effectiveness and productivity in Jesus name. May you know what it means to be effective, fruitful, productive and filled with destiny and purpose!

That is His plan of restoration for you.

2. Ask God for Restoration

–Isaiah 42:22 (NKJV) But this is a people robbed and plundered; All of them are snared in holes, And they are hidden in prison houses; They are for prey, and no one delivers; For plunder, and no one says, "Restore!"

You have to say it out loud?

Say O God "Restore! restore my marriage, restore my finances, restore the car that was wrecked, restore my reputation, restore that promotion, restore the years I lost to illness.

God says He will restore to you the years the locust has eaten, and He will do so because He is Compassion (Joel 2:25).



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Zechariah 10:6 "I will strengthen the house of Judah, And I will save the house of Joseph. I will bring them back, Because I have mercy on them. They shall be as though I had not cast them aside; For I am the Lord their God, And I will hear them.

3. Seek Correction and be Discipline

–Proverbs 12:1 (ESV) "Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof is stupid."

When it comes to restoration, one thing is sure—nothing changes if nothing changes. Restoration is God's will for you. But seeing things come to pass that should have manifested a long time ago begins with seeking correction.

Correction—though not always pleasant—gets you in perfect position to receive what you're believing for. If you don't ever want to hear anything about yourself that involves making an adjustment, you're lacking in wisdom.

Worse, you'll never be in alignment to receive the restoration God wants to give you.

But no matter what is going on in your life, God is concerned with one thing—your growth and development.

You want promotion, but if you don't have it, it's because you aren't prepared for it yet. It would be dangerous for you to receive it without making the necessary adjustments.

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In Conclusion: Isaiah 43:19 Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness And rivers in the desert.'

God want you to forget about what happened to you last year and not to remember them again in this new year and move on.

Because God in going to do wondrous things and comfort you this year in Jesus name, Amen.