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JESUS' SUCCESSION PLAN

Part 7

SPIRITUALLY LED

For those who are led by the Spirit of God
are the children of God.
Romans 8:14

When Barnabas and Saul had finished their mission,
they returned from Jerusalem, taking with them John,
also called Mark.

Now in the church at Antioch
there were prophets and teachers:

Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene,
Manaen (who had been brought up
with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul.

While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting,
the Holy Spirit said,

“Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul
for the work to which I have called them.”

So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their
hands on them and sent them off.

The two of them, sent on their way by the Holy Spirit...
Acts 12:25-13:4

IF WE WANT WHAT IS BEST FOR OUR LIVES, WE
WILL FOLLOW THE SPIRIT EVEN IF HE LEADS US...

1. ...TO UNKNOWN _____!

While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting,
the Holy Spirit said,

“Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul
for the work to which I have called them.”

Acts 13:2

(See also Acts 8:26-40)

2. ...INTO _____ SITUATIONS!

The apostles and the believers throughout Judea
heard that the Gentiles

also had received the word of God.

So when Peter went up to Jerusalem,
the circumcised believers criticized him...

Acts 11:1-2

“...three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea
stopped at the house where I was staying.

The Spirit told me
to have no hesitation about going with them.

Acts 11:11-12

“As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them
as he had come on us at the beginning.

So if God gave them the same gift
he gave us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ,
who was I to think that I could stand in God’s way?”

Acts 11:15, 17

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3. ...AWAY FROM GOOD _____!

Paul and his companions
traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia,
having been kept by the Holy Spirit
from preaching the word in the province of Asia.
When they came to the border of Mysia,
they tried to enter Bithynia,
but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to.
Acts 16:6, 7

...Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia
standing and begging him,
“Come over to Macedonia and help us.”
After Paul had seen the vision,
we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia...
Acts 16:9-10
(See also I Thessalonians 2:18)

**4. ...INTO INCREDIBLE
_____!**

And now, compelled by the Spirit,
I am going to Jerusalem,
not knowing what will happen to me there.
I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me
that prison and hardships are facing me.
However, I consider my life worth nothing to me;
my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task
the Lord Jesus has given me –
the task of testifying to the good news of God’s grace.
Acts 20:22-24

**IF WE TRULY WANT
TO BE LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT
THE BEST PLACE FOR ALL OF US TO START
IS WITH _____!**

But as for you,
continue in what you have learned
and have become convinced of,
because you know those from
whom you learned it,
and how from infancy
you have known the Holy Scriptures,
which are able to make you wise for salvation
through faith in Christ Jesus.
All Scripture is God-breathed
and is useful for teaching, rebuking,
correcting and training in righteousness,
so that the servant of God
may be thoroughly equipped
for every good work.
II Timothy 3:14-17

Above all,
you must understand
that no prophecy of Scripture
came about
by the prophet’s own interpretation of things.
For prophecy
never had its origin in the human will,
but prophets, though human,
spoke from God
as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.
II Peter 1:20-21