

Corporate Identity

Identity is so important and strategic for this hour for many reasons.

1. If we do not know who and what we are how can we fulfill our function? We cannot perform right if our identity is unclear. For example, if a cell does not know its function or what type of cell it is, it will not be grouped together properly. Cardiac cells are grouped together to cause the heart to function. Muscle cells are grouped together to make a muscle that will cause the arm or leg etc to move.
2. God is mobilizing His army right now, we need to know what we are, to get placed into the right position. It would be foolish for me to be put on an end time financial team because I am not gifted for that. It is not in my DNA. However, there are those that are so gifted and that "financial organ" will function in health if the right cells are in the structure.

It has been prophesied by Chuck Pierce on September 2, 2011:

"I say I will now cluster the grapes that need to be clustered in the year ahead. And I will bring forth a wine that you have not tasted."

If you examine a cluster of grapes, you will notice that there are branches and stems in the cluster. Off of the vine are branches and on these branches are clusters that are grouped together. When Jesus said in John 15,

John 15:5

"Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches.

We are being clustered into callings and functions right now. If we do not know who and what we are, we will not know which cluster we are being fitted into.

3. If we do not know our identity we might think we belong where we don't. This brings a crippling affect on the organ or function that He is building. That is like putting a knee where the neck is supposed to be. It won't look pretty and it will not function right.
4. It will also hinder how we get trained. We need to be trained into our calling. Like a student called to be a Doctor will go for medical training and not schooling for a Chef.

Build an Altar

The Lord spoke during a worship service this past summer. The worship was not getting any breakthrough. I was asking the Lord about it and He said: "Build an altar." I began to earnestly enter into worship knowing I was giving a sacrifice of praise. The meeting opened up in the Spirit. We literally built an altar of praise for the Lord.

I began to look up different scriptural passages on altars being built and received several analogies about them.

One thought I received was, "You can't build an altar with just one stone." It takes many stones built together to become an altar. It reminds me of the passage in Peter's epistle.

1 Peter 2:5

And you are living stones that God is building into his spiritual temple. What's more, you are his holy priests. Through the mediation of Jesus Christ, you offer spiritual sacrifices that please God.

It takes many stones to build a house or a temple. It is about the temple- the house. The individual stones are important but it is what they are built into that is meaningful and displays the heart of God.

Ephesians 2:14-16

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, 15 by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, 16 and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.

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These verses describe one of the goals of God: To bring Jew and Gentile into oneness.

Heaven and Earth as One

The oneness that God desires goes beyond human relationships. Jesus' final prayer in John 17 is that we would be one as He and the Father are one. However, He stated in John 17:21

I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.

"May they be in us." That is oneness. The aim is not just that we would be in unity with each other but that Heaven and Earth would be one or in alignment. That is the bigger picture – being one heart with God. It is not only horizontal alignment but vertical as well.

Ephesians 1:10

10 [He planned] for the maturity of the times and the climax of the ages to unify all things and head them up and consummate them in Christ, [both] things in heaven and things on the earth. AMP

The ultimate destiny of all is to unite all things both in Heaven and Earth.

Jesus taught us to pray in Matthew 6: "Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven." If it is Heaven, it should be so on Earth. Heaven and Earth corporately together under God is the objective. That is why the enemy fights so hard to destroy unity.

God is so incredible and vast that He fills everything everywhere with His presence.

Ephesians 1:19-23

*I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power 20 that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms. 21 Now he is far above any ruler or authority or power or leader or anything else—**not only in this world but also in the world to come.** 22 God has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made him head over all things for the benefit of the church. 23 And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself.*

1 Corinthians 15:28

Then, when all things are under his authority, the Son will put himself under God's authority, so that God, who gave his Son authority over all things, will be utterly supreme over everything everywhere.

Our Christianity in the Western World has taught us individualism. We sing songs like "I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart." However, in Psalm 100 where this comes from the verse before in states "we and us".

Psalms 100:3- 4

3 Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

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So, when we enter into worship, we enter together as one. When we pray, we pray as one. Then what happens- we join Heaven.

It is an obligation that we sing what Heaven is singing. That we proclaim what Heaven is proclaiming. As the books are open in Heaven, let us proclaim what is written there.

All Heaven and Earth speaking as one- all Heaven and Earth declaring as one, worshipping as one.

We must hear what is happening there and join them in their worship. We must tune in and hear what God and His angels are saying so the Earth and Heaven are producing the same sound.

Breakthrough comes when we leave our agenda or our wisdom and join in the agenda of Heaven. Heaven leads. However, when we respond I believe there is a synchronization that amplifies His presence exponentially. It creates a synergy effect.

Synergy is defined: the working together of two or more people, organizations, or things, especially when the result is greater than the sum of their individual effects or capabilities. [Encarta Dictionary: English North America]

God is looking for the synergy that happens when Heaven and Earth join. That is why unity or corporateness is so important. That is why Satan is so threatened by it and he works hard to destroy it.

When we realize how our individual identity fits into the role of the corporate identity, it becomes a "Wow" moment. But when we realize how our mutual identity aligns with Heaven's agenda, it is really a "Wower" moment. It is His will being done on Earth for the purpose of His authority, His Kingdom established here as well as in Heaven.

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