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- September 27th, 2026 "God Wants To Partner With You"

We see in Acts chapter 17. Here we see again, Acts chapter 17, verse 24. And this truth goes on even into the New Testament. In verse 24 of Acts chapter 17, the Bible says, God that made the world and all things therein seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands, neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed anything, seeing he giveth to all life and breath and all things. Isn't that amazing? You look through all history and all you find, all these religions that you see out there, they're all what?

With idols. Back in the day, that's what it was. They would form an idol with a man's hand. This is what it's talking about. They would form an idol and they would say that this is God. And they would bow down to these images and worship them and pray to them. But that's not who God is. God's self existent. You can't make them out of your hand. He's the Everlasting God, he's the all powerful God, the self existent God, and God doesn't need us to exist yet, he chooses to involve us in his work on the earth.

Isn't that amazing? I'm praying that God would really speak that into your life, he sovereignly decided. To involve mankind earth. It's amazing when you think of that. You may look at yourself and say, Well, there's nothing I could do. You may look at yourself and feel that you're insignificant. You may look at yourself as you've been

broken and you have scars and you have things in your life. How could God use me? There's a lot of people that think. That way. But yet, God sovingly chose to involve mankind in his work on earth. Isn't that amazing when you think of that? Secondly, God decided to need you. God, who doesn't need any God, who doesn't need anything, the self existent one, decided to need you. Turn back to Genesis chapter 2. And look what it says in verse 19. Genesis chapter 2 verse 19 it says and out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every fowl of the air and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them and whatsoever Adam called every living creature that was the name thereof So why didn't God named the animals himself.

He could have. I believe the Bible does say that God named all the stars in heaven. You know how many stars are in heaven? Yet on earth, God called Adam to name every creature. So why didn't God name the animals himself because God chose to Involve Adam in the operation and management of the earth. Adam had a role to fulfill and God desired Adam to partnership with him. Amen. We see that in Genesis chapter two, verse 15 says in the Lord God took Chapter 2, verse 15. Look, it says, and the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and keep it.

Adam had a role. And all throughout scripture, we see this pattern God works through people. Everywhere in the Bible, we see this. Turn with me to Ezekiel. Ezekiel chapter 22. Ezekiel chapter twenty two. Louis says in verse thirty, it says, and God sought, I'm sorry, and I sought for a man among them. This is God speaking, and I

sought. For that should make up their heads and stand in the gap before me for the land that I should not destroy it. But I found none. Therefore, have I poured out mine indignation upon them, I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath.

Their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord God. What is this saying is God looked for one person to partner with him so that he would show mercy and that mercy would triumph instead of what? Judgment. And when no one stepped forward, judgment fell. He was looking for one person man. That's what the Bible says. This is God speaking. He was looking for one man to step in the gap and couldn't find none. He wasn't looking for a strong man. He wasn't looking for a smart man. He wasn't looking for someone who was elegant in their speech. He was just looking for someone, some man. Verse 30 again. And I sought for a man among them that should make up the hedge and stand in the gap before me for the land that I should not destroy it, but I found none. Question is, were there men? Were there someone? That could have stepped in the gap? Yes, anyone. It wasn't how smart you were. It wasn't how educated you were. It wasn't anything. All he was asking was someone who was willing to step in the gap. Mark chapter 6, verse 5.

Here we find Jesus going back in his earthly ministry. And he comes up to a village, and he wants to do what he's been doing all around. He wants to heal people. He wants to do all kind of marvelous things. And it says in Mark chapter 6, verse 5, it says, and he could not," and he could there do no mighty works save that he Laid his

hands upon a few sick folk and healed them. And here, look at what it says in verse 6 and he marveled because of their unbelief, and he went around about the villages teaching. He was willing. But what stopped them? Their unbelief. You know, it's the same thing today God wants to use you God wants to use this church God wants to use someone that would partner with him Sometimes it's our unbelief Sometimes it's us thinking that we need to be better than who we are But God says no. I just need someone who's willing, someone who believes me.

Someone who will trust me." That's what he's saying here. And even Jesus could not do any mighty works because of their unbelief. It doesn't say Jesus would not. It says he could not because of their unbelief. Is it possible that God has limited his unlimited power to our willingness to believe? Is it? God is ready to move? He's ready to move in your life, yet, He waits for you to trust Him and to step into partnership with Him. Do you realize that you are not insignificant in His eyes? He knows every hair on your head. And God wants to partner with you You know Satan understands this truth and he uses it against us How many of you say oh I'm not strong enough oh I'm not smart enough Oh, if don't you know the things that I've done? He couldn't use me. No, he wants to.

The question is are you willing to be used by him? You know, we're ready to move into a place this weekend where God wants to use this church, God wants to pot with us to make his name known, to glorify him in the way we act and the way we carry ourselves. And then sometimes even wants to use us to bring people to Christ. It

ain't how smart we are, it ain't how much money we have, it ain't how good looking we are. Amen. He'll use anybody. Turn with me to 1 Samuel. And a lot of people know this story.

1 Samuel chapter 17. And it's David, the little shepherd boy. And what was happening? The Philistines had camped on one side and was ready to battle with Israel, who was camped on the other side. And back then, instead of having all armies come and clash together, they would take a champion from one side and fight a champion from the other side. But this time it was different. They had a giant. The Philistines came to Israel with a giant. His name was Goliath. And in 1 Samuel chapter 17 verse 8, it says, and he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel and said unto them, 'Why are ye come out and set your battle in array? Am not I a Philistine, and ye servants of Saul? Choose your man for you and let him come down To me, and if he be able to fight with me to kill me, then will we be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then ye shall be our servants and serve us. And the Philistines said, I defy the armies of Israel this day, give me a man that we may fight together.

And when Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine they were dismayed and greatly afraid. What was happening here? They had the Philistine and you know the size of him he was a giant and he was strong and He was mighty, and He came out. And just his presence and his strength and his power made Israel fear him and what was he saying choose you a man to fight him Why didn't they why didn't somebody step up because of fear? The opposite of unbelief and belief in faith I'm sorry, the opposite of faith and belief

is fear and unbelief. Amen? And they feared. And God could have sent a lightning rod. God could have taken out Goliath himself. He could have shot a lightning rod right in the center of Goliath's head. And Satan knows that if one stands up, everyone goes, if one doesn't stand up, everyone goes into bondage.

And Satan knows that if he could fill us with fear and unbelief, then we lose and he wins. And he uses this on everyone. Oh, I'm not too eloquent to speak. Oh, I can't do that ministry. Don't you know what I've done in my past? Yeah. And God said, since no man stood, no man would stand up to Goliath, God said, I don't need a man. I got a boy Isn't that amazing he would use something that everyone would look at and said there's no way But yes with God is impossible, I mean with God is possible without God it's impossible Amen God said I don't need a Man, I have a boy.

Aside from Creation itself, you won't find a place in scripture where God works without involving man. He could have taken out Goliath himself. He was waiting for a man to step forward, but in fear and unbelief, no one would. But yet, one little shepherd boy says, I'll do it. And God knew the heart of David. David had faith. He believed God, and he saw God work in his life in the past. Sometimes you need to go back in your past and see how God had moved in your life and did impossible things to recognize he's willing and able to do it again if you would only partner with him. Thank you. Turn with me to 2nd, yeah, 2nd Chronicles. 2nd Chronicles, chapter 16. If you were in 1st Samuel, just go a couple of, letters further on. 2nd Chronicles. Look what it says in verse 9.

For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect towards him. What is this saying? When I first got saved, this jumped out at me. God was telling me back then. Hey, you may be a your background may be a project kid. You may have come up with nothing But I want to use you Think of that Again for the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole world to show himself strong in the behalf of them who's hot is perfect towards him.

What is he saying? He's looking for someone that say here am I God? He's looking and searching for somebody who would partner with him Amen He's looking for you he's looking for me he's looking for anyone who would say here I am and My third point is, knowing God Have you decided to partner with God? Think of it all through scripture, we see he's partnered with man, he's done everything. He even would use a little shepherd boy. You know, I didn't put this in my sermon, but do you realize that one of the kings of Israel was only eight years old?

Thank you. An eight year old king that had more unk to do what was right. But here, have you decided to partner with God? God has a pot, and you have a pot. Amen. It's called His will. And I Got here, God is never going to do your part. He has a part, but God is never going to do your part. We often ask God to do what He's told us to do. How many times? He said, You do it, you talk to Him. Guaranteed he will always do his part, but he will not do yours also your part is never supernatural Amen your part is never supernatural

The good news is God handles the supernatural He never expects you to do the impossible that's his job Amen.

Isn't that amazing when you think of it? But here's the key to the whole thing your part comes first. All through Scripture, your part comes first. You know, if David stepped forward, God says, there's my boy. Look at him. He's my boy. He's so Small. He couldn't even wear the armor of the king. He says, I don't need this. I have God. And he slung that little stone. He did his part. He slung the stone, but God guided it in the exact spot on the forehead of that giant. And he fell. That was God's part.

All he needed was the little boy to swing and throw it, swing it. And God says, I'll aim it, I'll direct it. And that big giant fell. You know, he could have used a man, Saul could have gone up and done it. But everyone was afraid, except little David. God has already done his part and he's waiting for you to believe him and take that first step. You know what that's called? Faith. You know when you take that first step? Your faith is overcoming your fear. Your belief is overcome belief has overcome unbelief and doubt.

It's called faith. You know, God always uses one. Are you the one He wants to use? Or have you decided to partner with God? That's the key.

Jesus sat all those down and he used a little boy with his little meal, his little lunch, and he fed thousands. He wants to use you. Turn with me to Romans chapter 5. It is a very important part of the story don't know why I was in 15. Look what it says

in verse 18. It says, Therefore, as by the offense of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation, even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

God doesn't need a crowd, all he needs is one. Here it talks about Adam sinning and condemnation fell upon all man. But yet there was not one man that could do it. So God did it himself as a man. He did the impossible. He went and died on the cross. He lived a perfect life without sin to die for the sinner. And three days later, he rose again from the dead. And he justified anyone who would have faith in him. Anyone who would call upon him. You know, it says when one man's sin brought condemnation, but one man's obedience brought salvation. It only took one man to lose everything and one man to restore everything. And because of that Truth, now God wants to partner with you to take that truth to the world, to take that truth to your neighbors. Turn with me to 2 Corinthians 5.

This is amazing when you think of this. Yes, you. I'm looking and talking to you. You, who have done so many things, you've already disqualified yourself. You've already said, Who am I? I can't do anything. You brought doubt on the fact that you can't be used by God. Thank you. Why would he use me is what you're saying, but I'm here to tell you he does want to use you He does want to partner with you Amen and in 2nd Corinthians chapter 5 look what it says in

verse 17 therefore if any man be in Christ, he's a new creature all things are passed away.

Old things have passed away. Behold, all things are become new. What is that talking about? When you decide to come to God, he's going to change you. He will forgive you when you recognize who he is and what he's done. And then he'll change you and make you brand new. And then in verse 18 it says, and all things are of God, who had reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ and had given to us the ministry of reconciliation. What it's just saying is when you recognize the fact that you have nothing to offer God and that you can't save yourself, but yet when you turn and recognize that God had already sent the Lord Jesus 2000 years ago to die in your stead, to shed his blood.

For the forgiveness of your sins. And when you truly understand this and you say, God, here I am, I have nothing, but I need forgiveness, he'll forgive you, but he'll do even more than that. He'll say, I want to partner with you. Isn't that amazing? And what does this say? And has given to us the ministry of reconciliation. You know, this is the greatest thing you could ever do in your life. It's not being a millionaire, it's not inventing the cure for cancer. Yeah, these things are great, but the greatest thing that you could ever do is bring someone to Christ because this is something eternal. And he wants to use you. And he wants to give you the ministry of reconciliation. You realize that? Again, look at verse 19. To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself and not imputing their trespasses unto them and had committed unto us the word of

reconciliation. What's that mean? That means when you recognize that Jesus loves all those who Have sinned and saves them through the gospel message. And now that you're saved, he says, I want to partner with you to take this message to the lost and dying world.

And in verse 20, he says, Now then, we are ambassadors. Christ, as though God did beseech you by us. We pray you in Christ's stead to be reconciled to God. Listen, there's nothing that could ever stop you from being used by God. I hate to say this, but he even used a donkey. I'm not going to use. The word that says in the Bible, but he even used the donkey. Don't you think he wants to use you? He wants you to come to him by faith. He wants to forgive you. He wants to show mercy on you and then pour his grace upon you to do the impossible. If you're a are only willing to say, Lord, here I am. The same message that saved you, that same gospel message, he wants you to proclaim to everyone. He wants everyone to be a whosoever. Romans chapter 10, verse 13.

So simple. Once you tell somebody about Jesus, they can become a whosoever. It's their choice, not yours. In Romans chapter 10, verse 13, the Bible says, for whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. But look what else it says in verse 14 How shall they call on him whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him whom they have not heard hear without a preacher? And listen, when it talks about that, don't just think that I'm the preacher. That's everyone who's been called an ambassador to preach the gospel message to those who would one day die and face judgment. And God's saying, You, I want to partner with you.

Because I loved a sinner. And since I've I love the sinner. And since I've saved you, with the gospel message, I want you to use that same message to tell others that they too can be saved.

You know, it's not about us. We do what we can. We can open our mouths and tell somebody, but it's him that does the possible. He looks into the heart and he Who is truly believing and then he forgives them. That's not our part. Our part's to go and to be the ambassador. His part is to what? Bring the increase. Every day you must choose to need God, choose to partner with him, choose to step forward in faith and not in unbelief. And choose to do your part so that he can do his. He's just looking for someone, someone who would believe that he would even use a little shepherd boy, and even a donkey, he can use me. God wants to partner with us. The question is, have you Decided to partner with him? Every day you have a choice. Will you believe God and recognize that he wants to use you?

Why don't we stand? You know, all through scripture, this book is all about how God was willing to use those who were broken, who were looked down on, who didn't have the ability in themselves, but they were willing. All through this Bible, we See how God was willing to partner with man It's an amazing thing God wants to partner with you. Will you partner with him? That's the question He's willing to able he's going throughout the whole world to and fro to find one who would say, Here am I, little God, I don't have much. " But I'm ready to be used by you. Would you? Let's pray. Father, we thank you. For your word. Father, we thank you that as we look into your

word, we find so many, so many in the Bible, Lord. So many Gideons that didn't think that they could make a difference.

Father, are there any Gideons here, Lord? Are there any Davids? Are there any little boys with a lunch that's willing to be used by you? Oh God, help us. Help us not to look at ourselves, but to look at you. Change us, Lord, and use us. For your glory. And this I pray in Jesus' name, amen.

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