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Positioned For Promise

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Exodus 24:9-18

- **You Must Be Positioned With GOD'S TIMING**
 - **Joshua** – the LORD saves, Jehovah is Salvation
 - He is from the tribe of **Ephraim** (fruitfulness)
 - “And the name of the second he called Ephraim: ‘For God has caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction.’” – Genesis 41:52
 - “Then Moses went up, also Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel” – Exodus 24:9
 - God not only **SAVES** us, but He wants us to be **FRUITFUL**
 - Joshua is the son of Nun
 - Jesus is the Son of None!
 - Nobody can **EXCLUSIVELY** claim Him, but all can **EXPLICITLY** claim Him!
 - “For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.” – Galatians 3:27-28
 - God’s timing is that the “mountain” comes *after* the covenant is established (vs. 1-8)
 - The covenant is established in the “wilderness”
 - The wilderness is a time of **TRANSITION**
 - It is the time between what you used to be and what you will become
 - “And they saw the God of Israel. And *there was* under His feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and it was like the very heavens in *its* clarity.” – Exodus 24:10
 - They saw some sort of **EVIDENCE** of God’s presence
 - **Christophany** - a manifestation of God in the Bible that is tangible to the human senses; often in human form; a pre-incarnate Christ
 - “But He said, ‘You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live.’” – Exodus 33:20
 - “But on the nobles of the children of Israel He did not lay His hand. So they saw God, and they ate and drank.” – Exodus 24:11
 - Seeing God is a cause for **CELEBRATION**
- **You Must Be Positioned With GOD'S LEADING**
 - “Then the Lord said to Moses, “Come up to Me on the mountain and be there” – Exodus 24:12

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- God will **CALL** you to the place he wants you to be
- When you get there, make plans to **BE** there
- The promise may take a while!
- “For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise” – Hebrews 10:36
- **PATIENCE** positions us to receive the promise
- **You Must Be Positioned With GODLY LEADERS**
 - “So Moses arose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up to the mountain of God.” – Exodus 24:13
 - Joshua was Moses personal assistant
 - Assistant – helper, one who provides aid or relief, to serve
 - We must have a servant’s **HEART**
 - You can’t lead unless you are willing to **FOLLOW**
 - “And he said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we come back to you. Indeed, Aaron and Hur *are* with you. If any man has a difficulty, let him go to them.” – Exodus 24:14
 - Among those who were left behind were Aaron, Nadab and Abihu
 - God is looking for people who desire to **MAKE HIS NAME GREAT**, not those who desire to make a name for themselves
 - When you make His name great, your name is made great by **ASSOCIATION**
 - “So Moses went into the midst of the cloud and went up into the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.” – Exodus 24:18
 - Joshua is receiving “on the job” training

If we want to be positioned for promise, we must get on the job!

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