"When Times Up, Time Is Up!"

By Mrs. Sojourner

The Scriptures have both parables and stories, that point to the importance God places on time and timing. The parable of the 10 Virgins in Matthew 25 is a prime example of this.

Walking in God's kingdom, we must operate with a sense of urgency. God has seen it important to give us each a vision for our lives. If God thought it important to give us each a vision/ purpose to fulfill with our lives, and he has given us so many examples in the Word showing his urgency to get as many people out of darkness as possible then likely he would want us to operate our lives with the same sense of urgency.

Here are some examples:

"No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son. but only the Father. Be on guard! Be alert [f]! . . . "Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back... Mark 13:32-33a, 35a NIV The Lord answered.



Footnotes:

[f] Some manuscripts alert and pray

"Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom the master puts in charge of his servants . . . It will be good for that servant whom the master finds doing so when he returns. . . But suppose the servant says to himself, 'My master is taking a long time in coming,' and he then begins to beat the menservants and maidservants . . . The master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he is not aware of. . .Luke 12:42a-43, 45a-46a NIV

Let us daily, with diligence, walk out the vision God has given us. Walk, not in guilt or condemnation, just walk with diligent urgency to do the work God has given us to do.

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God gave us Sojourner's Fellowship!

The first Sunday in August 2001 was the day of our first service. There we were, Mrs. Sojourner and I the only earthly participants. I always counted at least five with the participation of God. The Father. The Son, and The Holy Spirit. I did not count the angels I felt in the spirit as I had no way of counting them. It was more than six months before our prayers produced the first new member of Sojourners Fellowship.

The main concepts had been given to me 37 years earlier but I had not been given the "go ahead" until 2001. Prior to being told, "now is the time to start," we had been invited to a service by a pastor of a church about 40 miles away who had told us a prophet was to be a guest speaker at his church and he wanted me to meet him. We went as invited and the prophet found himself, whenever in our presence, unable to stop prophesying regarding what was about to happen with us in starting a work for the Lord. Much like Jesus' Mother had done, we pondered these things in our hearts. Things be-

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gan to happen just as had been prophesied. We found it amusing, he had told us, "You feel like your feet are in concrete but they are not, you are on a launching pad." Little did we realize until later, the two men the Holy Spirit sent to our home to confirm that we were to start a new work right there, were not only in ministry, but they had been rocket scientists! Sojourners Fellowship was birthed about a month later!

The intervening years have seen many interesting things happen. Perhaps the most interesting was my wife and I helping six other ministries get started while little seemed to be happening within the very fellowship entrusted to us! We did not become faint

Scripture:

Ephesians 4: 11-16 (NIV)

¹¹It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, ¹²to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

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¹⁶From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

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of heart. You see when you have waited 37 years to do something, a bit of patience is developed. It was not as if I had been sitting around those 37 years waiting for permission to start. No! I had been in various forms of ministry all that time.

People Start Coming

Even while we were helping others start their own ministries we continued on with our assignment. Many times we were teaching and working with more people outside of Sojourners Fellowship than inside, and that continues in some ways today, but we are builders of The Kingdom, not our kingdom.

Then I built a website or should I say the Holy Spirit and I built a website since I had no training to do so. Now we minister to people around the world on a daily basis with over 2,500,000 hits having been recorded.

Now We Must

Now we (all Sojourners) must reach all with whom each of us comes in contact with give out the "Good News" as the days are short and The Kingdom must be expanded one "Pod" at a time for the glory of God and the fulfilling of our mission.

Just so you'll know:

Our service is informal. We look to the Holy Spirit of God to guide us corporately and individually.

Our service usually follows this general pattern:

- Informal sharing of what we have seen the Lord do in, through, and around us since we last met.
 - Testimonies are often a part of the conversation.
- Opening Prayer
- Praise & Worship
- Words of Prophecy or Knowledge if they have been given during "Praise & Worship" (other times as the Spirit moves).
- The Pastoral Message
- Prayer Requests
 - Ministry to those present & intercession.
- The Blessing

