The Ten-Talents Servant And The Transfer of Wealth

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Introduction

Swish!

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These swish-sounds represent thousands of jump shots I've let loose in the gym where I played most of my high school basketball games.

I played my first year of high school basketball at the perennial powerhouse, Oak Hill Academy in Virginia. While there, I garnered some playing time on the varsity team which held seven Division 1 college prospects and had a record of 36 wins and no losses. But my time with the junior-varsity team is where I excelled and acquired the nickname, "The Franchise." I once scored 50 points in one game, and that record still stands for the most points ever scored by a player in an Oak Hill Academy junior-varsity game.

After attending Oak Hill, I returned to my hometown of Linden, New Jersey, where I finished high school at Linden High School. At the end of my career in 1983, I'd earned a spot on the First Team All-State Basketball squad as a 6'5" point guard. I was also selected as the state's first-ever Mr. New Jersey Player of the Year during that season.

Those aforementioned 'swishes' didn't occur when I played basketball as a teenager, however. These successful shots, or swishes, happened decades later in alumni games when I was making shots on players who were half my age at the Linden Tigers gym. I scored 25 points in the first game at the age of 47. Then two years later, I was still able to 'give 'em buckets' and I finished with 23 points. I guess I was finally beginning to show some *wear and tear* as I was about to enter my fifties!

I'm mentioning my outstanding performances from those alumni games because after being out of high school for many years, I possessed a greater *understanding* of the game as a middle-aged man than I did as an all-state performer and as a Division 1 college player at Virginia Commonwealth University, where I earned a four-year basketball scholarship. This understanding allowed me to display an expertise in shooting the ball and outshining the younger players who I was competing against.

When these alumni games took place in the "Tigers Den," I prepared myself by jogging four miles a day, four to five times a week. I had a clear vision of how I was going to contribute to my team (i.e. scoring with my jump shot), and I was filled with confidence because of my service to the Lord Jesus Christ, who I'd been serving as a born-again believer since my freshman year of college. Simply put: having a greater understanding of the game later in life unlocked dimensions of my basketball prowess that were unprecedented earlier in my career, despite acquiring some success as a basketball player.

The book you are about to read was written to provide the Body of Christ with a greater understanding of the kingdom of God to the Body of Christ. If you are someone who's been a champion representing Christ for decades, a leader in

fivefold ministry, or a born-again believer who wants to do something great in the marketplace this manuscript is a must-read for you.

While many Christians want a prosperous life now, we should realize that this life is just the 'warm up' and we can look to an exciting future because of the awesome things that await us in God's kingdom. The Body of Christ is going to rule with our Master in an unblemished government full of equality, justice, and peace on a regenerated Earth. This Christ-led government will occupy the earth for 1,000 years and be comprised of born-again believers who operated at the four-talents level as well as the ten-talents level of service in this lifetime, according to Matthew, Chapter 25. Moreover, the ten-talents servant is going to receive a wealth transfer that will allow him or her to rule with greater power in the Millennial Reign.

Preparation for our role in governing with our Lord and a vast understanding of these varying degrees of authority (i.e. the four-talents and the ten-talents levels) will cause us to live impactful lives *now*. This manuscript provides the blueprint of how you can move in great dominion and how you can best position yourself as a ten-talents servant to receive a wealth transfer as you are assigned in Christ's government. Additionally, as you grow in your comprehension of the biblical wealth transfer principles, you will experience your best earthly existence.

A major revelation of the text is a transformational pattern that started with Adam and Eve. I've discovered that the Scriptures are replete with this template, which I've labelled God's 4A Pattern, and it has operated in the lives of our Old Testament heroes and sheroes. This jaw-dropping pattern is seen in the life of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who clearly put it to use five times in His ministry. Furthermore, the pattern operates in the lives of both believers and non-believers today and it is the key that unlocks the revelation found in the various biblical wealth transfers.

Contemporary wealth transfer doctrine has taught that a financial transfer (or money from the world's system) is going to come into the hands of the Body of Christ. Unfortunately, the Bible does not support such dogma. When we gain an accurate revelation of the crowning biblical wealth transfer scheduled for Judgment Day, we'll see that the financial or money transfer pales in comparison.

My prayer is that this book serves to increase your understanding of God's kingdom so that the universal Church can experience mighty works around the globe. And as you demonstrate kingdom authority in your walk with the Lord, you will be well positioned for the wealth transfer.

Chapter 1

In Need of Clarity

What is it all about?

"After all the weddings, funerals, and dinners at the church, I finally realized what it's all about!" exclaimed my wife's grandmother while sitting at her kitchen table on a hot summer afternoon in Sumter, South Carolina. "Pastors and church leaders just need to teach the word! Just...teach...the word!" she added emphatically.

I remember those words from a beautiful lady who I considered my grandmother, too. After all, I had been part of the family for the more than 30 years since I married my lovely wife. When Grandma spoke these words, she was beyond 90 years old. My wife and I never probed deeper to find out what Grandma's what-it's-all-about revelation was, mainly because we didn't feel it was our business to meddle in her discovery. We knew she was a born-again believer and that she loved the Lord; and that was good enough for us. But her statements that day at her kitchen table served their

purpose. They added fuel to my own fire of, "What is *it*? What was my decision to accept Christ and to live for Him really all about?" I was now on a mission to find out.

My Christian Walk

I thought I knew what *it* was all about when it came to the things of God as a born-again believer. I attended a prosperity church during my last three years of college at Virginia Commonwealth University, in Richmond, Virginia. This church taught me about the financial blessings and physical healing of the Bible. After graduating, I returned to my home in New Jersey and attended a solid non-denominational church comprised of various races and ethnicities for 25 years. This church taught my family and me about worship, church government and commitment. Additionally, I was blessed with a wonderful marriage, four healthy children and a successful sales-and-marketing career in corporate America.

But things weren't always rosy. I suffered setbacks and failures as a believer, a Division 1 basketball player and as a businessman. In my sinful behavior over the years, I looked to the Lord for His amazing forgiveness to cleanse me—and He did.

When Grandma made her startling confession, I was at a point in my life when I was reflecting on God's redemptive work in me through His Son, Jesus Christ. I knew that I lived in a fallen and sinful world and that I needed a Savior to pardon my sins and to help me to gain fellowship with God. I also knew I would live forever with my Savior and other believers in a place called heaven because accepting Jesus into my life had guaranteed me this. But I wanted to go deeper into the things of the Bible, looking for answers to such questions as:

- When will born-again believers see Christ rule with the world's government upon His shoulders?
- What will the after-life be like?
- How do those in dire poverty and extreme disenfranchisement all over the world get judged? And what must they do to move from "last" to "first" in God's kingdom?
- Why is there a need for Christ to reign for 1,000 years on a regenerated Earth (i.e. the Millennial Reign of Christ)?
- What role might I play to ensure my proper placement in the 1,000-year reign of Christ if he is to appoint born-again believers over cities in a regenerated Earth?

Plus, I wanted to know more about a teaching in the body of Christ regarding the financial wealth of the wicked being transferred over to God's people. This message was being taught to many congregations at churches I considered to be of high quality throughout America. So, I asked the following questions to gain clarity on this message:

- If there was going to be a financial wealth transfer, what should one do to be a recipient of the resources that would be transferred?
- Would born-again believers in America be the recipients of the financial wealth transfer? Or, would believers from impoverished areas in South America, Africa, Asia and other poor areas around the world be the recipients of this wealth?

When I began to study the Bible to see if this financial wealth transfer message was legitimate, I found it to be flawed. I did, however, discover that a number of biblical wealth transfers have already occurred and that a final wealth transfer remains undistributed. This crowning wealth transfer will occur on Judgment Day. While studying the wealth transfers in the Scriptures, I also found explanations to the other questions that I wanted to resolve.

As we enter the realm of biblical prophecy during the text, I must state for the record: I am not one who holds a monopoly on the 1,000-year reign of Christ, the ten-talents servant, the wealth transfer or the Bible. There are still many things that I wonder about regarding the word of God and the future of mankind. But one thing I know for sure is that if the worldwide Church doesn't start proclaiming the return of Christ, an accurate view of the remaining biblical wealth transfer and our Lord's 1,000-year reign, the Church will continue to miss out on important dimensions of God's kingdom. Not all church leaders have forsaken these prophetically-centered messages, but too many are not teaching them. Guidance from these future events will encourage born-again believers from around the globe to do mighty works in this lifetime, to live in obedience to God's word and to follow a road map that will lead to a potential wealth transfer when Christ returns.

Let's Begin

Let's briefly touch upon four topics that dominate the text. They are: God's 4A Pattern, which is the key that unlocks the wealth transfer; the wealth transfer message; the 1,000-year reign of Christ, also known as the Millennial Reign of Christ or the Millennium; and, the ten-talents servant. Other topics that we'll discuss in later chapters of the book are: the 'how to's' of a ten-talents servant; my life's assignment, which—based upon Scripture—I believe is ten-talents worthy; assessing your life's assignment to determine if you are aligned for a wealth transfer; and, the role that politics—both now and in the future—will play in influencing the ten-talents servant. In supporting my positions on all of these topics, I'm going to heed my grandmother's advice and "just teach the word" for this is the only way we are going to gain life-changing understanding of God's Kingdom and our existence.

The Key to The Wealth Transfer

A phenomenon that entertains me is my observation of answers that people on social-media threads post to complex math problems. These problems usually contain parentheses, exponents and at least two of the four math operations: multiplication, division, addition and subtraction. People on social media attempt to solve these math problems without understanding the key, and their answers invariably differ. Rarely are correct answers posted.

There is an acronym called PEMDAS that provides a road map to the correct answers to these problems. PEMDAS denotes: Parenthesis, Exponents, Multiplication, Division, Addition, and Subtraction. PEMDAS is also known as the Order of Operations and the mnemonic, Please Excuse My Dear Aunt Sally.

Each letter in the acronym represents what should be calculated first, second, third, and so on (from left to right) until the calculation of the math problem is complete. PEMDAS is the *key* that aids the adept math student in correctly answering any math problem that contains multiple operations. However, many respondents on social media are unaware of PEMDAS and they post answers that are all over the place despite their sincere attempts to solve the equation.

I mention PEMDAS because when it comes to the Church having a handy key that unlocks the understanding for biblical wealth transfers, we don't have one that is universally accepted. Thus, believers are *all over the place* with their interpretations of these metamorphic events found in the Scriptures. When I hear references to the remaining

wealth transfer, I hear how the wealth refers to the money of this world's system. The following are some of the comments I've heard in the past:

"When I bought our family home, the seller gave me 50% off of the list price. You know what the Scripture says, The wealth of the wicked is laid up for the righteous."

"My new landlord didn't charge for the first month's rent. I love God's word because it says, The wealth of the wicked is going to be transferred over to the righteous. I'm thankful that the Lord is starting to transfer wealth to me."

"My million-dollar investment in a technology company is worth \$50 million, five years later. I really see how the wealth of the sinner is being placed into the hands of the righteous."

While I rejoiced with these believers who received a steep discount on a real-estate deal, a break on their rent, and an out-of-this-world return on a \$1 million investment, I have to report that these scenarios are *not* what the word of God is referring to when it comes to the wealth of sinners being transferred to believers. Biblical wealth transfers have always been more eventful than mammon from the world's system coming into the hands of God's people. Generally speaking when it comes to the last wealth transfer found in the Scriptures, the universal Church really doesn't know what is going to be transferred; when the wealth is going to be transferred to; and, why there's going to be a transfer. A reliable key that offers a clear explanation of this last, all-important biblical wealth transfer is needed.

This manuscript provides a key that unlocks biblical wealth transfer intelligence for us. When used, this key will lead the body of Christ to the correct interpretations of biblical wealth transfers. I've termed this key, God's 4A Pattern, and it consists of:

- one's authority
- one's assignment
- an <u>arrival time</u>, by the one who gave the authority, and...