

What do you have?

One shocking truth to some people is that we all have something. No matter where we are on Earth. We are not as destitute as sometimes we present ourselves or appear. No matter how poor or how primitive we might think we are, we all have something God has given us that we can use to offer.

This truth is fundamental to receiving from God. In the Word, we see multiple passages that reveal this very truth. In many cases, when God intervened in the lives of His people, He first asked them what they had, and no matter the size, He would use it or multiply it.

Contrary to what many of us think, acting as if we have nothing will not get us more, but if we acknowledge that we have something, we can easily get something.

What is in your hand may be something you have not thought about that the Lord later reveals to you. It could be a minor thing that you already have that will spark your breakthrough and victory. It may not be something physical. An awareness of what we have spiritually (Galatians 5:22-23) could also lead to a major increase.

1) Moses

Exodus 4:2,7 So the LORD said to him, "What is that in your hand?" He said, "A rod." 17 And you shall take this rod in your hand, with which you shall do the signs."

- a) God did not see an ordinary rod, but more than that. He saw the rod of God, not the rod of Moses. This rod was going to be used to make miracles.

2) Widow

2 Kings 4:1 Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear Jehovah: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two children to be bondmen. 2 And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me; what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thy handmaid hath not anything in the house, save a pot of oil. 3 Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbors, even empty vessels; borrow not a few. 4 And thou shalt go in, and shut the door upon thee and

upon thy sons, and pour out into all those vessels; and thou shalt set aside that which is full. 5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons; they brought the vessels to her, and she poured out. 6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed. 7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy sons of the rest.

- a) This woman was in a very difficult place, yet she had something to offer. She was not entirely without and what she offered was no matter the size God used it to bring increase and restoration to all.

3) 5 loaves and 2 fish— Jesus saw more.

Mark 6:37-44 He answered and said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they say unto him, Shall we go and buy two hundred pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat? He saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? go and see. And when they knew, they say, Five, and two fishes. And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass. And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties. And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided he among them all. And they did all eat, and were filled. And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes. And they that did eat of the loaves were about five thousand men.

- a) Who would have thought that just five loaves and two little fish would be used by God to feed the multitudes? Well, when they got into the hands of the Lord, they multiplied. God is a multiplier and no matter how small we have if we will trust and depend on Him.