

Going Deeper

Your weekly guide to understanding God with others

Anointed - Part 2

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Introduction

Every follower of Jesus is called to humbly serve God with the gifts, talents and resources that we already have in our hands. We may feel that what we have is too small, insignificant or inadequate to be used by the King of Kings, yet we are reminded today that it is humble offerings, brought with a sacrificial heart, that God values the most - with potentially the most significant outcomes. We cannot, But He can!

Bible Passage

Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-10, John 10:10

Discussion

1. Discernment always leads to discovery. What is God wanting you to discover today? How do you best discern what God is saying to you?
2. God calls each of us to humbly serve Him with what we have at our disposal. What do you have that you can humbly offer for God to use today?
3. There is a risk that we may think to ourselves "When I have____ [fill in the blank for you], then I can really serve God." What is the blank in your life that may be preventing you from serving Him at this moment? Is it really a barrier or just a perceived one?
4. Read 2 Kings 4:9. What may have motivated the woman to offer up a room for Elisha?
5. Read 1 Peter 4:9 and Romans 12:13. What part does offering hospitality to others play in our ministry to God? Who could you offer hospitality to? What could make this easier to do?

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6. God is more concerned about our willingness and availability to partner with Him than what we may have to offer to him. Discuss.

Respond

God is already at work in our world, at our workplaces and in our neighbourhoods. He invites us to partner with Him in the joy of ministering to others around us. What gifts, skills or resources do you have in your hands that with discernment you can humbly offer to God for Him to use for His glory? Who can you offer a simple meal to this week, as a simple step to show the love of God?