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Apostle Training/Mentoring Program



Welcome to the New Gate Apostles Training/Mentoring Program! We are so excited to have you join a community of Kingdom minded people who desire to go deeper into the things of the Lord. Our graduates leave with the knowledge, skills, anointing, and wisdom on how to move forward in their Apostolic gifting.

I would like to tell you a little bit about me as Apostle and why Iøm able to Train and Mentor in this program. I went to Wagner Leadership Institute for 2 years and completed my Doctorate in Practical Ministry in May 2004. At that time I had already received Bachelors in Christian Education, a Masterøs in Christian Counseling, and a Doctorate in Theology at International Bible College and Seminary. My major was in the Office of the Apostle at the Wagner Leadership Institute. I was in over 10-12 live classes, cassette classes, and online classes regarding the Office of an Apostle. I had some of the best teachers in the world who where operating in the Office of an Apostle and had been commissioned as an Apostles for many years. I knew I was called to be an Apostle so I wanted to learn everything possible about the calling from sound teachers.

We had to write tons of papers/essays on the information presented to us and add how the apostolic training would impact our lives. My life was changed forever and God began reveal to me who I really was in Him. With that being said, I know I am to help indentify, commission, and release other apostles. **My encounter with Jesus was He appointed me in a night vision.** I had to stay up all night to pray and fast during that time He commissioned me as an Apostle and gave me my marching orders.

So again Iom honored and blessed to be able to help you fulfill your call as Evangelist. Oh by the way, the ship represents a military ship because the Office of an Apostle is a military office.

Scripture References

I Corithians 12:27-31

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually. ²⁸ And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues.

²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? ³⁰ Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹ But earnestly desire the best^[d] gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way.

Ephesians 4:11

¹¹ And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

¹³ till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

Here are some character qualifications that needed to be an Apostle.

Character Qualifications-

An Apostle must exhibit exemplary character as well as all the qualifications of a Bishop and Elder.

2 Corinthians 12:12

Truly the signs of an apostle were accomplished among you with all perseverance, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds.

Humility, Holiness, Blameless, Patience, Love and Know how to suffer

Jesus Chooses Apostles

Matthew 10:1-4 õAnd he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction.

The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.ö

- 1. Jesus has chosen you!
- 2. You have been/will continue to be students/disciple.
- 3. You have been called for a specific task.
- 4. You are both teachers.
- 5. You both have Business anointing.
- 6. You both are called to the nations.
- 7. You both have business and ministry experience, like Jesus.

- 8. You have both build or helped built ministries/churches.
- 9. You have both been on a preparation journey.
- 10. You have been with me training for your raining.

Since the multitudes had turned away from their promised Messiah, Jesus began a six-month period of private instruction with the Twelve, those He would prepare for the time of this death, resurrection, and departure.

Previously, Jesus had not mentioned these events and certainly not in explicit terms, which explains Peter's shock and consternation (Matthew 16:22). But with Israel's rejection, the shadow of the cross grew ever larger.

Seeking seclusion to instruct the Twelve, Jesus retreated to what would then be known as "heathen lands." The leaders in Israel harassed him because of their animosity to His teaching, and no place within the region would allow Him a time of true private instruction.

The Twelve Apostles would serve as the core of the future church, and this time Jesus would prepare them for their future work.

What the Word Apostle Means

The word apostle is from the Greek õapostlosö which means õa delegate, messenger, **one sent forth with orders**ö and so the apostles, formerly disciples, were sent out by God and specifically by Jesus to proclaim the gospel to the known world and told to make disciples of all nations (Matt 28:18-20; Acts 1:8).

The Greek word for disciples is õmathetesö and means õa learner, a pupil.ö It could be said that they are disciplined to learn what is taught because the root of the word õdiscipleö is discipline.

What is the difference between Apostle & other giftings?

The major difference between the Office of an Apostle and others is the amount of authority delegated by the Holy Spirit. Apostles have amazing amount of authority from Jesus to accomplish certain work that others cannot do. It is the anointing and authority that breaks the yokes.

There are many different type of Apostles:

We must understand there are no cookie cutter ministries in Godøs Kingdom. Just as there are various personalities there are various types of Apostles.

Apostle-Pastor, Apostle-Prophet, Apostle-Teacher, Apostle-Evangelist

Apostle-Writer, Apostle-Actor, Apostle-Psalmist, Apostle-Dancer

Apostle-Marketplace, and on and on.

Your job is to find out which one you are, only God can tell you.

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My Apostle gift operates as follows: Apostle óIntercessor, Apostle-Evangelist, Apostle-Reformer, Apostle-Prophet, Apostle-Preacher, Apostle-Teacher, Apostle-Writer, Apostle-Marketplace, in another scripture Apostle of Wealth. And many, many more based on:

1 Timothy 2New King James Version (NKJV)

2 Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, **intercessions**, *and* giving of thanks be made for all men, ² for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

³ For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all men to be **saved** and to **come to the knowledge of the truth**. ⁵ For *there is* one God and one Mediator between God and men, *the* Man Christ Jesus,

⁶ who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, ⁷ for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle—I am speaking the truth in Christ^[a] and not lying—a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

2 Timothy 1:8-11

⁸ Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God, ⁹ who has saved us and called *us* with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began,

¹⁰ but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, *who* has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹ to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.¹

The functions of Apostles may vary:

Dr. Bill Hamon has identified six main functions of the first century apostles. These include-

- (i) Taking the gospel to unreached areas (Rom. 15:20, NIV)

 Planting churches upon the foundation of Christ and helping established Help
- (ii) churches return to this scriptural foundation (1Cor. 3:10, 11; Gal. 1:6-10; 3:13; Rev. 2:15)
- (iii) Appointing and training the initial leaders of a church (Acts 14:21-23; Titus 1:5)
- (iv) Dealing with specific problems, false doctrines or sins (1Cor. 1:1 16:24; Acts 15)
- (v) Promoting unity in the Body of Christ and networking churches (Eph. 4:1-16; Acts 11:27-30; Rom. 15:25-27; 1Cor. 16:1-4; 2Cor. 8:9)
- Demonstrating and imparting the supernatural dimension of the kingdom of God
- (vi) (2Cor. 12:12; Acts 4:33; 8:4-20; 10:44-46; 19:16; 2Tim 1:6-7).

Todayøs Apostles does all sorts of things and have a broad diversity of gifts that you will learn over the next year as you continue your growth as an Apostle. Some may;

Plant Churches

Oversee and Strengthening churches

Develop Leaders

Commission Ministries

Supervise and Coordinate Ministries

Manage Crisis

Networking with Other Ministers

Vertical Apostles

- **Ecclesiastical apostles.** Apostles who are given authority over a sphere which includes a number of churches, presumably in an apostolic network headed up by the apostle.
- **Functional apostles.** Apostles who are given authority over those who have an ongoing ministry in a certain specific sphere of service which has defined boundaries of participation.
- **Apostolic Team Members.** Apostles whose apostolic ministry functions in conjunction with an apostle who is seen as the leader of a team of one or more other peer-level vertical apostles. They may be assigned specific spheres by the leading apostle. These are more than administrators or assistants or armor-bearers.
- Congregational apostles. Apostles functioning as senior pastors of dynamic, growing churches of more than 700-800.

Horizontal Apostles

- **Convening apostles.** Apostles who have authority to call together on a regular basis peer-level leaders who minister in a defined field.
- **Ambassadorial apostles.** Apostles who have itinerant, frequently international, ministries of catalyzing and nurturing apostolic movements on a broad scale.
- **Mobilizing apostles.** Apostles who have the authority to take leadership in bringing together qualified leaders in the body of Christ for a specific cause or project.
- **Territorial apostles.** Apostles who have been given authority for leading a certain segment of the body of Christ in a given territorial sphere such as a city or state.

Marketplace Apostles It seems clear that some marketplace apostles would be vertical (perhaps within a large company) while others would be horizontal (bringing together peer-level marketplace apostles). The more we work with marketplace apostles, the more clarity will come in due time.

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