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DNA can be seen as the basis of your life. We all have different DNA. You as a human being are made in the image of God, and have His DNA. He wants you to be well. Blessing is His passion, giving is in His being. You, with His DNA, receive these characteristics from the Father and, with His DNA, have also been given gifts and talents. When you use those talents to bless others, it gives tremendous fulfillment and joy. It is the meaning of your life.

Old Testament

Gifts and talents were already used in the Old Testament to bless God's people, for example in the design of the tabernacle and the building of the ark and temple. You see men being filled with the Spirit of God and their specific talents being used to make something special.

Joshua was a leader who led the people to freedom. Joshua led the way in the battle for the freedom of his people. When he went into the new land of Canaan as a spy to explore the land, Joshua showed great faith in God. Joshua became Moses' successor and brought the people to the place God had shown them.

In the story of Elijah, you see an example of how the Word of God encourages people to give. This leads to multiplication. The prophet hears from God, the woman shares what she has. A miracle happens.

New Testament

Jesus told a story that reflects His view of using your gifts and talents well (you can read this in Matthew 25:14-30). Jesus showed the principle; that what He had received from God the Father, He also used and deployed. When we pass on what we have received, it starts to multiply.

Jesus was a leader for His followers, but also a teacher who showed how things work in God's Kingdom. An encourager who set His disciples free and empowered them to do the same. After His death, you saw growth and multiplication. Disciples became apostles and leaders of the church. The Kingdom expanded to many countries and cultures.

Principle of blessing

"When God has spoken to you and when you hear the Word, believe it, trust it and take action, fruitfulness always follows."

When the Kingdom of God comes because you receive and pass on God's words in faith, the curse on such things as your family, business and country is broken. The blessing flows through you and this has the effect of giving others the freedom to start 'seeing'.

EXERCISE:

-Is it clear to you what gifts and talents you have received? Write them down and share some with each other.

-You have God's DNA. Give some examples in your own life that are characteristic of this.

-Have you begun to develop your gifts and talents?

-Do you use your gifts and talents (your DNA) to bless others?

-What steps do you want to take to develop further in this and come to multiplication?



PRINCIPLE 5

The DNA in you is meant for you to be a blessing to your family and other relationships. If you recognize it and receive it as a blessing to use, it will bring forth much fruit.

