

Holy Summons

A Call to AWARENESS!

When the Lord laid this on my heart Monday I begin to ask him for instruction. Whereas I thought this was a move and instruction for one location. It was actually instruction and direction for all locations that the Lord has given me to steward and lead. Sometimes we get lost in church jargon and we lose the significance and authenticity of the weight of words. Or many of us lack spirituality, we are not sensitive to the spirit and cannot phantom the vastness of what God is saying based on our limited exposure or depth with God. 2026 is a year of sincere demand and required fruit. Please don't miss how I say certain words tonight. This is a year where producing is a must. Forward movement is a must. Growth is mandatory.

Because what God is calling us to do in the regions, we are assigned to cannot be wrapped in the insignificance of a brand. It must be deeper, vision must be stronger, egos must be crushed, and motives must be shifted.

AWARENESS must be a spiritual discipline for you.

That's the word the Lord gave me for tonight... Awareness. You cannot be connected to (Churches) and not be spiritual aware of what is taking place in these churches.

AWARENESS

Stay awake. Stay aligned. Stay assigned.

Awareness is consciousness. **It is the spiritual discipline of knowing where you are, what God is doing, and what your responsibility is in this moment.**

God never moves with people who are merely gifted. He moves with people who are **awake**.

1. Awareness of the Moment and the Season

Romans 13:11–12 (NRSV)

“Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near.”

1 Chronicles 12:32

“Of Issachar, those who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do, two hundred chiefs, and all their kindred under their command.”

Paul’s command to wake up is a spiritual alarm clock. It is the summons out of autopilot living into conscious obedience. When Scripture says the sons of Issachar understood the times, it reveals that maturity in God is not merely passion or sincerity, but perception. They did not just love God. They discerned what God was doing in their moment. That is the pattern throughout the Bible. Before God moves a people into action, He first sharpens their awareness. Because action without awareness becomes misdirected effort. You can be faithful and still be ineffective if you are fighting battles God has already closed or preserving systems God has already outgrown. Some people are still swinging swords in a season that requires building. Others are trying to maintain comfort when God is calling for expansion and risk.

Misreading the season causes you to resist the very thing heaven is initiating. Awareness forces the deeper questions that keep you aligned with divine timing: Where are we right now in God’s agenda? What is He requiring of us in this hour? And what must we have the courage to release because it belonged to yesterday and not today? Only when those questions are answered can obedience become precise rather than accidental.

“Yesterday’s oil will not light today’s lamp.”

2. Awareness Requires Spiritual Wakefulness

1 Peter 5:8 (NRSV)

“Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around...”

Matthew 26:41

“Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

Jesus did not say the problem is weakness. He said the problem is sleep. Sleep is dangerous because you don't know you're vulnerable.

Spiritually sleepy people
miss warnings
miss opportunities
miss instructions

The enemy can't defeat an alert believer. He defeats distracted ones.
This is why you must understand the temptation you are experiencing is to hault your elevation concerning your assignment. The enemy needs you to be sleep in this season so you will be distracted by his tactic to throw you off course.

3. Awareness of Your Assignment and Responsibility

Colossians 3:23–24 (NRSV)

“Whatever your task, put yourselves into it, as done for the Lord... you serve the Lord Christ.”

Luke 12:48

“From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required.”

Awareness makes ministry heavy in the right way. Not burdensome. But weighty.

(I GET to carry this weight)

When people lack awareness, they treat church like attendance.

When people are aware, they treat it like stewardship.

In a sense we have to stop look at our assignment as volunteerism when it is actually divine trust. God didn't just invite you. He entrusted you.

“Immature people ask, ‘Do I have to serve?’

Aware people ask, ‘How can I carry more?’”

4. Awareness of Your Gifts and Capacity

1 Corinthians 12:7 (NRSV)

“To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”

Matthew 25:29

“To all those who have, more will be given...”

Every believer has grace on their life. But many sit in rooms unaware of what they carry. The tragedy is not lack of talent. It is buried talent.

Buried potential is not humility. It is negligence. If God gave it to you, it was meant to be used.

5. Awareness Produces Focus

Focus is simply awareness protected. Focus is not intensity. It is elimination.

It is the disciplined refusal to give energy to anything outside your assignment.

When you know what God called you to do
you stop chasing trends
you stop comparing
you stop entertaining distractions

Because distraction only survives where awareness is weak. Clarity kills confusion.

Here is maturity....when purpose is clear, options shrink.

“Distraction is the tax you pay for not knowing your assignment.”

“You cannot be aware and distracted at the same time.”

“Awareness narrows your life to what matters, and what matters is where God is moving now.”

6. AWARENESS is Pulling closer to the voice of your leader.

Absolutely. This point fits naturally into your Awareness theme because **biblical awareness is rarely individualistic**. Throughout Scripture, God sharpens people's perception through **proximity to a voice He appoints**. When seasons shift, God does not merely send signs. He sends a shepherd, a prophet, a leader with instruction.
Here is a strong additional section you can teach.

6. Awareness Pulls You Closer to Your Leader’s Voice

Hebrews 13:17 (NRSV)

“Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls and will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with sighing, for that would be harmful to you.”

1 Samuel 3:9–10 (NRSV)

“Therefore Eli said to Samuel, ‘Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.”’ So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ And Samuel said, ‘Speak, for your servant is listening.’”

1 Samuel 3:9–10 is selected because it shows that Samuel could not initially recognize the voice of God on his own and needed proximity to Eli to interpret what he was hearing. The text reveals that divine revelation often comes, but discernment is taught, and God used an established spiritual authority to train Samuel's perception. Eli did not replace God's voice; he helped Samuel recognize it, which demonstrates how leadership provides clarity, not control. This passage establishes a pattern that awareness is developed relationally, not independently, because young or emerging servants misread spiritual signals without seasoned guidance. In short, Samuel heard God because he stayed close to the one assigned to watch over him, proving that proximity to the right voice sharpens spiritual awareness.

2 Kings 4:38–41 (summary context: sons of the prophets stayed near Elisha)

This passage shows the prophetic community staying close to Elisha during famine and crisis, because survival required proximity to the prophetic voice.

John 10:27 (NRSV)

“My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me.”

Awareness is not just knowing the season. It is knowing **whose voice God is using to guide you in the season.**

Samuel heard God because Eli positioned him to recognize the voice.

The sons of the prophets survived because they stayed near Elisha.

The early church flourished because they devoted themselves to apostolic teaching.

Distance from your leader's voice creates distortion.

When people drift from covering, they don't lose passion first. They lose clarity first.

And once clarity is gone, confusion feels like independence.

But Scripture teaches something countercultural. Spiritual maturity is not isolation. It is alignment.

In critical seasons, awareness says

I need to get closer

I need to listen more

I need to lean in

Because God often speaks **through structure, not around it.**

“When you drift from the voice God assigned to you, you drift from the direction God prepared for you.”

“Correction from a leader is not control. It is protection for your future.”

“The safest place in a shifting season is close to the voice God is using to guide you.”

“Independent believers get confused. Aligned believers get clear.”

What I say for one but not for the other does not mean an escape of responsibility, it means continue in thy ways.

DLCM:

Alignment with the voice for this season

Reignite passion to serve your church

Hunger for souls – No Empty Altars

Growth requires burial of old systems and mindsets

Spirituality and Momentum

MMCC:

A hunger for souls over a desire for people to experience MMCC
Maturity in spirituality and emotions
Growth without distractions

Impact Church Greenville:

An awakening to the responsibility of growth
A hunger for exposure and expansion
FAITH...
Alignment with God

ICD

Awareness of the work – Building
Heart for souls and drawing
Momentum and excitement
Be engulfed with the vision and heart of the leader