

ENLARGING YOUR PLACE

- I. Is. 54:2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;
3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.
 - A. Isa 54:2 “Enlarge the place of they tent”
 1. **Def Enlarge:** to broaden, to open wide
 2. “**Tent**” is a type and shadow of:
 - a. dwelling place in life ... from your home to your career & ministry ... to your vision & dream The Lord has given you
 3. The devil and the world will always attempt to place limitations upon us:
But, we serve a God of no limitation:
 - a. Luke 1:37 “For with God nothing shall be impossible”.
 - B. So we must learn to take steps of faith when the Spirit of God speaks to us about enlarging:
 1. even while we are in a place of limitations
 - a. or if you are dwelling in a “comfort zone”
 - a. Begin to dream big again and make plans to enlarge your tent ... and prepare for increase
 - (1) It is time to enlarge, broaden, open wide and get ready to receive from the Lord
 - (2) time to enlarge beyond the ruts & routines of just going thru the motions
 - C. In order to enlarge we must be willing to **STRETCH**
 1. “let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitation”
 - a. Note: it is not God who does the stretching
 - (1) It says: “let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitation”
 2. **Def Stretch:** to spread out, to extend
 3. If you want to fulfill the:
 - a. will of God for your life
 - b. the calling, dream, the vision God has given you
 - c. if you want to walk into your destiny
 - (1) you are going to have to stretch stretch your faith
 - D. “**Spare Not**”

1. Def Spare: to restrain, refuse, hold back, keep back, withhold
 - a. What area of your life are you holding back from God
 - b. Where have you refused to obey the word of God & leading of the Holy Spirit
 - (c) What restraints have you placed on your dreams and the Spirit of God in your life, ministry, career, family, finances
 - (1) God says: “SPARE NOT”
 - (a) Mark 12:30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength:...”
 - (1) No more holding back on God
 - (2) No more serving the Lord half heartedly and with a lukewarm heart
 - (3) No more making excuses rather total surrender ... “spare not”

E. Next God says to: **“LENGTHEN THY CORDS”**

1. **Def Lengthen:** to draw out, make longer
2. **Def Cords:** it is speaking of the string of a bow
 - a. Can you picture placing an arrow in your bow, but you only draw the string back a little way
 - (1) thus placing limitation on the distance the arrow can travel
 - b. The Holy Spirit is telling us “draw back the string of your bow to it’s full potential:
 - (1) look beyond the immediate targets
 - (2) look beyond the your ability that you have confidence in for hitting those small and close targets
 - (3) Develop you vision further than where you currently are and shoot for beyond what you are familiar with
 - (4) tap into another dimension of the anointing that you have never flowed in before
 - (5) tap into another dimension of faith and shoot at the target / vision / dream God has set before you
 - (a) When Joshua was leading Israel into their Promise land he told them:
 - (1) Josh 3:4 “for ye have not **passed *this way heretofore***”.
 - (a) Joshua was telling them no more going around the same mountain
 - (b) no more living in the wilderness
 - (c) Joshua was letting them know that they were going beyond what was familiar
 - (d) and was going to where they had never been before: their destiny ...

partaking of the promises of God

F. Isa 54:2 “**strengthen thy stakes**”

1. **Def Strengthen**: repair, fortify, be of good courage
2. **Stakes**: are what cause you to be stable against the winds and storms
 - a. God was telling Israel that the areas of their life that have become weak and damaged, as well as the areas of your life where you have fell into fear and defeat
 - (1) strengthen thy stakes: strengthen what holds you in place in your walk with God, marriage, family, ministry, career, finances, health
 - (2) repair what has been damaged by the storms & trials of life
 - (3) overcome your fears and be of good courage once again
 - (1) By getting back into the Truth of God’s word:
 - (a) Rom. 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
 - (2) Allow the Holy Spirit to bring Healing to your Broken heart, disappointments and begin to dream again
 - (3) Understand that It is not God but the devil who is holding you back from:
 - (a) enlarging your tent
 - (b) stretching forth thy curtains
 - (c) spare not,
 - (d) lengthening thy cords
 - (e) and strengthening they stakes

II. If we are willing to:

Enlarge the place of thy tent
Stretch for the curtains of thy habitations
Spare not
Lengthen thy cords
Strengthen thy stakes

A. God gives us a promise of what He will bring into our midst:

1. Isa 54:3 **For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left;**”

B. “For thou shalt **break forth**”

1. **Def “Break Forth”**: increase, burst out, break away, grow
2. Note this breaking forth takes place: “on the right hand and on the left”

- a. In other words what has hemmed you in must turn you loose
- b. It means all limitations will be broken from our life
- c. It means areas where you have stopped growing
 - (1) will begin to develop and grow again ... bring forth fruit

III. John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

A. You have heard truth from God's word today

1. We have a choice:

- a. will I continue to believe the lies that my circumstances and the devil are telling me ... that have brought limitations into my life and walk with God
- b. Or, will I believe the truth of God's word that sets me free and "Enlarge the place of my tent"
- c. Will I determine to **Stretch** stretch my faith
- d. Will I choose to spare not ... and quit making excuses and give Gd my all
- e. Will I lengthen my cords ... and go beyond the limitations i face
- f. Will I strengthen my stakes ... receive healing and repaired what is broken and sick in my walk with God, marriage, health, finances, ministry, career
- g. Because today o want to receive God's promise and **BREAK FORTH**:
 - (1) begin to grow once again
 - (2) Break away from the chains that hold me bound
 - (3) Burst out into the Liberty of the Holy Spirit and enter my God given destiny

B. Altar Call:

- 1. Anoint you with oil pray for you