

A New Gait

Gait – *a new way to walk, a new pace, a new style of walking*

The physical therapist looked from my medical chart that detailed my recent knee injury and surgery to me. “You said one of your goals is to climb stairs without a limp; to get up smoothly and efficiently. When you injured your knee, your body accommodated to the wound by compromising your gait, causing you to limp to protect the injured knee. Your knee is healed enough now to walk and climb stairs normally, but you are going to have to learn a new gait to walk. You can’t climb higher to new places with an old gait.”

I considered her words. “I’m ready to do whatever I need to do, then.”

She smiled. “You are going to have to give up what has become comfortable. Trying to climb new steps with that injured way of walking will only make you lurch and you will never be able to climb like that. Are you ready to learn your new gait so you can climb up higher?”

At the 2019 Aglow Convocation in Jerusalem, Asher Intrater told us,

For all who are praying, I really believe that God is calling us to come up to a higher level. He is calling us to come up to a higher level of spirituality, of purity, and a new level of authority and power that we can take in the heavenly places to change the world around us.

We do not have a choice anymore because we are getting to a situation in the world where either we are taking hold of this new level or we will be overrun by the world.

I would like us to start in the book of Psalms. Turn to Psalms 110 and we will look at the first three verses. This is a prophecy about the Messiah. It is one of the highest prophecies about the Messiah, and amazingly, one of the prophecies that was most quoted in the New Testament.

Psalms 110:1-3 A Song of David – Jehovah said to my Lord, ‘Sit at My right hand until I make Your enemies Your footstool. And the staff of Your power the Lord will send out from Zion. And You will rule in the midst of Your enemy. And Your people will have a volunteering spirit in the day of Your power.’ Here we have a prophecy of Yeshua before He was born on the earth. It is a very high prophecy. It is not Him coming, lowly, on a donkey as we see in Zechariah 9:9, but in a high place in Heaven in a place of great authority.

This Psalm is quoted many times in the New Testament. In fact, when Yeshua was challenged, and the High Priest said to Him, “Are You the Messiah?” He replied, “Not only am I the Messiah, but I am this Messiah, the One that is sitting at the right hand of the Father in power and in authority.”

That is when they decided to crucify Him. The Messiah is not on the Cross today, and He is not in the grave. He is there. He is at the right hand of God.

Now here is something interesting in the Hebrew where it says, 'rule in the midst of your enemies' – the word is 'radah'. It is the same word that is used in Genesis 1 when God created Adam and Eve and He said for them to take dominion over the earth.

Here is the Messiah, after Adam and Eve have failed to take dominion over the earth – He rises into Heaven and from that position, He receives all authority. God says to Him, "Now you finish what I told Adam and Eve to do. You take dominion over the whole earth."

What God said originally to Adam and Eve was not lost, it was fulfilled in Yeshua in this position in Heaven. It is a position of authority, of ruler ship, of dominion. It is not just Him, but this place of authority includes a group of people. God's people that are volunteering in the day of His power. That becomes His staff. It is interesting just as in Hebrew as in English, we have the same play on words. The staff is a rod, but it is also a group of people that are serving Him. We are His staff. We are His people that are volunteering in the day of His power.

We are the people, His staff, Asher is talking about. To accept that invitation that Asher issued, to come up to higher levels, we may have to give up old gaits, old ways of walking – of doing things, and learn a new gait of spirituality, of purity, of new levels of authority and power that we can take in the heavenly places to change the world around us.

Practical Application

Genesis 1:26-28

Good News Translation

"Then God said, "And now we will make human beings; they will be like us and resemble us. They will have power over the fish, the birds, and all animals, domestic and wild, large and small." So, God created human beings, making them to be like Himself. He created them male and female, blessed them, and said, "Have many children, so that your descendants will live all over the earth and bring it under their control. I am putting you in charge of the fish, the birds, and all the wild animals."

The Voice Translation

Now let Us conceive *a new creation*—humanity—*made* in Our image, *fashioned* according to Our likeness. And let Us *grant* them authority over all the earth—the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, the domesticated animals and the *small* creeping creatures on the earth. ²⁷ So God did *just that*. He created humanity in His image, created them male and female. ²⁸ Then God blessed them and gave them *this directive*: "Be fruitful and multiply. Populate the earth. *I make you trustees of My estate*, so care for My creation and rule over the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, and every creature that roams across the earth."

The Passion Translation

Then God said, "Let Us (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) make man in Our image, according to Our likeness [not physical, but a spiritual personality and moral likeness]; and let them have complete authority over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the cattle, and over the entire earth, and over everything

that creeps and crawls on the earth.”²⁷ So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them.²⁸ And God blessed them [granting them certain authority] and said to them, “Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth, and subjugate it [putting it under your power]; and rule over (dominate) the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and every living thing that moves upon the earth.”

It is very clear from scripture that God intended from the beginning of creation that His people should walk in dominion – power, authority, dominance. Jesus used the word ‘Ecclesia’ 113 times in the New Testament as He spoke about the Church. His intend was that the Church would rule and reign on earth, bringing down Heaven’s ways, plans, etc. to the earth realm. God intended that the Church would set the bar in every mountain of influence; however, the Church failed to do so and we are in the condition that we find ourselves in today. Nevertheless, all is not lost because once God sets a plan in motion, it will not fail. Now is the time that we put into practice speaking like Heaven speaks, seeing like Heaven sees, and walking in the authority that Jesus purchased back for us. Now is the time we change our gait – our walk – our way of doing things – and step up to a higher level that aligns us with Heavens intentions.

1. Take some time to pray in the Spirit, asking God to reveal ways your Aglow group can step up to a higher level in reigning and ruling in your community. Then according to God’s Word, “Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets, so that a herald may run with it.” Habakkuk 2:2 (NIV) List what He shows each person either on paper or a white board if you have one available.
2. Next, take time to pray and ask Holy Spirit to show you which item on the list is the one your group should begin with.
3. Next, ask people which items on the list that they identify with or feel drawn to. Perhaps your group can take on several of the items on the list, but starting with one is great.
4. Consider dividing into groups by interests and allow each group to come up with a suggested plan of action. Have them write it down.
5. As Holy Spirit begins to open the eyes of understanding of those in each group and the group as a whole, allow Him to take over and lead. It might seem messy for a little while, so consider setting a time limit where each group reports back.
6. With the team’s approval, give each group permission to move forward with what Holy Spirit has shown them. Come back together each month and report progress, roadblocks, etc.

God has plans for your community and YOU are the ones His hand is upon to bring those plans to pass. Perhaps you will join other groups on tasks. Just keep praying and follow His lead. You have a new gait! You are becoming the salt and light in your community. You are rising in taking authority and releasing the will of Heaven on earth.