

Where is Your focus; What are you Magnifying? Ps. 34; Rom. 1:16; Is. 66:1-2; Ps. 119:113-120

As God spoke to Abraham and Isaac, God speaks to us. He is the same God. The rain falls on the good and the bad **Matt. 5:45**. Famine comes to the good and the bad too. The difference is we have the ability to go through it with grace; with a smile on our faces and a song in our hearts. Our anchor is not in finances or possessions but in Jesus Christ. When God spoke to people like Abraham and Isaac they pitched a tent and built an altar. Our bodies are like tents and when we die, we upgrade to the mansion that is waiting for us in glory. Some of us can't see the mansion because we are too fixed on the tent. Tents are only temporary dwellings, not meant to last forever. Life is but a vapour **Jas. 4:14**. **Question:** what are you living for? While you occupy your tent have you built an altar, a regular place and time when you meet with God? We need to be free in our worship; this is practise for eternity. The angels are reverent in their worship but not conservative. Where you sit in the church doesn't matter; where are you seated in your spirit? Are you attracted or distracted? We need to be standing solidly on the word of God. Our convictions, our revelation needs to come from it. Jesus needs to be Lord of our lives; anything else will only lead to heartache for the believer. Are we experiencing abundant life, the joy of the Lord which is our strength? Are we fanning our spiritual life into flame or are we sitting back watching it just smolder? It is our responsibility to fan our own passion for God into flame; we need to stop waiting for someone else to do it **Eph. 2:12**. We no longer fear or tremble at God's word. We fear and tremble at our bank account, at what the Dr. says; at what people say, we have more fear in what the devil can do than faith in what God can do. As born again believers, this ought not to be. Are we terrified at what the world has to offer or satisfied at what God has to offer? We must actively pursue God, to wait on Him, to linger in His presence and spend time in His word; we are not a fast-food church. Relationships are built by spending time together, as we commit together to the study of His word, to worshipping Him, to building relationship, and to evangelizing.

What are we magnifying in our lives? We are terrified of ungodly things that cripple us from being terrified (reverent fear, awe) of God. We tremble at others words but not at God's Word. Many of us are magnifying fear; we are letting circumstances rise up over the word of God instead of bringing God's word over our circumstances. We want a move of God in our lives but the prayer rooms are still empty. How badly do we want Him to move? We need to match the conviction of our walk with the passion of our hearts. **Acts 2:40-43** the precursor to the move is the fear and the fear comes when we commit ourselves to the Apostle's teaching. Do we gladly receive His Word, do we let it satisfy our thirst? There is no need to drink from another source, Jesus is more than enough. If we want to triumph we need to tremble at His word instead of being terrified at what the world has to offer. We need more of God's word. When we get committed the power will come, and not before. When we stand in reverent fear of the Word, when we tremble at it, when we magnify it, the anchor will hold and we will have a testimony.