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# Re-mantled With Wisdom October 3, 2023 Suzi Armstrong

In the Book of James, the Lord tells us that if anyone lacks wisdom he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt (James 1.5-6).

This is a well-known and loved scripture. Sometimes well-known scriptures can become so familiar that we do not receive the full provision that the Lord intends. Familiarity can be very subtle and settle in our thoughts without our even knowing it. Familiarity can develop when we know something well, and we have become accustomed to it. When this happens, we lose the sense of awe and reverence for what it is. Familiarity can also take on presumption and a false sense of confidence that leaves us blinded and lax in our perception. Familiarity weakens our ability to connect with and receive the wisdom that God gives to us.

Ask Holy Spirit if you are operating in familiarity toward receiving God's wisdom. If so, then repent and return to a place of awe and wonder that the God of the universe would generously give you wisdom. It is so amazing that the Creator of all things would give us such depth as to impart wisdom to us! How great and wonderful is our God! Every good gift comes down from the Father of Lights. Ask for a fresh impartation of the wisdom of God.

The Lord has been emphasizing how important wisdom is for this time. Many have been led to read the Book of Proverbs, also called the Book of Wisdom, again and again knowing that deeper wisdom is needed for the time we are living in. We must have the wisdom of God to navigate this time that we are in. We must have the wisdom of God to build. We must have the wisdom of God to gain His strategy for our own lives and for the earth we now live in.

Shake off all familiarity to wisdom. Stir your faith and reconnect with the truth and invitation to generously receive fresh wisdom from God for this time of war. Be re-mantled with God's wisdom. Be wrapped in the fresh garment of God's wisdom that fits this time and era.

#### Job 39.13-18 NIV

13 "The wings of the ostrich flap joyfully,

though they cannot compare with the wings and feathers of the stork.

- <sup>14</sup> She lays her eggs on the ground and lets them warm in the sand,
- <sup>15</sup> **unmindful that a foot may crush them,** that some wild animal may trample them.
- <sup>16</sup> She treats her young harshly, as if they were not hers; she cares not that her labor was in vain,
- <sup>17</sup> **for God did not endow her with wisdom** or give her a share of good sense.
- <sup>18</sup> Yet when she spreads her feathers to run, she laughs at horse and rider.
  - God did not give wisdom to the ostrich, and the ostrich did not know the importance of taking care of her young and setting the right order in life. The ostrich was foolish, destroying her own seed without knowing it.
  - Prophetically the Lord says that the wisdom from previous times in insufficient for this part of the new era that we are entering into this fall. War is increasing and new wisdom for war is being instilled by God.
  - We are being re-mantled with wisdom.
  - Deeper wisdom and deeper understanding of who God is and His infinite power.

#### Isaiah 40.31 NIV

<sup>31</sup> but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.

## They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

- The ostrich could not mount up because she was weighted down.
- The eagle waits on the wisdom of the Lord and is able to mount up to walk and run in the way
  to go.

#### **Psalms 18.37-42** NIV

- <sup>37</sup> I pursued my enemies and overtook them; **I did not turn back till they were destroyed.**
- <sup>38</sup> I crushed them so that they could not rise; **they fell beneath my feet.**
- <sup>39</sup> You armed me with strength for battle; you humbled my adversaries before me.
- <sup>40</sup> You made my enemies turn their backs in flight, and I destroyed my foes.
- <sup>41</sup> They cried for help, but there was no one to save them—to the LORD, but he did not answer.
- <sup>42</sup> I beat them as fine as windblown dust; I trampled them like mud in the streets.
  - Wisdom for the battle we are in.

#### Exodus 34.15 NIV

- <sup>15</sup> "Be careful not to make a treaty with those who live in the land; for when they prostitute themselves to their gods and sacrifice to them, they will invite you and you will eat their sacrifices.
  - Wisdom to not enter into agreement with the enemy.

#### Joshua 3.3-4 NIV

- <sup>3</sup> When you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the Levitical priests carrying it, you are to move out from your positions and follow it. <sup>4</sup> Then you will know which way to go, since you have never been this way before.
  - Wisdom to see God moving and to move when He moves and where He is moving.

#### **Ephesians 1.17** NIV

- <sup>17</sup> I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, **the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation,** so that you may know him better.
  - Be re-mantled with wisdom.
  - Be instilled with wisdom from above.

#### **PRAYER AND DECLARATION:**

We prophesy Psalm 119.73-78 to Detroit. Your hands made Detroit and formed her. Give understanding and wisdom to Detroit to learn Your commands. May those who fear the Lord rejoice when they see Detroit, for Detroit has put its hope in Your word. Detroit says to the Lord, that Your laws are righteous, and in faithfulness you have afflicted the City. May Your unfailing love be the comfort of Detroit, according to Your promise. Let Your compassion come that Detroit might live, for Your law is Detroit's delight. May the arrogant be put to shame for wronging Detroit without cause; but Detroit will meditate on Your precepts.

We speak life into the City of Detroit and into Michigan. Let righteousness and wisdom rise up in strength across our land. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. May the praises of God be sung throughout our city and our state. Praise Him for His acts of power; praise Him for His surpassing greatness!