

Hearing God on the Job

Lesson 6

1 Cor 1:26-27

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God is raising up a new kind of workplace believer who is experiencing the power of God in their daily work life.

Emeka Nywankpa, was a lawyer in Nigeria. Emeka spoke at a conference a few years ago on the subject of how the spiritual impacts the physical.

Emeka shared a story about arguing an important Supreme Court case in his country.

There were five points to argue in the case. The morning the trial began, he prayed with his wife and junior lawyers in his chambers.

During his prayer time, he sensed that the Holy Spirit was telling him, "Do not argue points one through four. Only argue point five." Imagine making such a change just before you are to argue a case before the Supreme Court!

In the courtroom, Emeka announced that he wished to drop points one through four and only wished to argue point five. The judge was shocked, but gave him permission to proceed. He argued point five and sat down.

The other attorney got up, and then for twelve minutes stumbled around trying to defend his position, unable to get a coherent word out. Finally, he approached the bench and said, "Your Lordship, it is unfortunate that my learned friend has dropped the first four points. I wish to yield the case."

The other attorney had only prepared for the first four points. Emeka won the case. God had given him a strategy to win his case supernaturally. It made no sense to him, but he obeyed and God gave him victory in a very unusual way.

Isaiah 48:17 tells us *"Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, The Holy One of Israel: 'I am the LORD your God, Who teaches you to profit, Who leads you by the way you should go.'"*

When is the last time you allowed God to give you a strategy to be successful in your work life and bring glory to His name?

This is his desire for you.

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Roundtable Discussion

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1. Have you ever had a time when you felt God ask you to do something at work out of the ordinary? What was it?
2. Do you ask God for direction at work even though you all ready know what to do? Do you think it would make a deference?
3. Do you have another man whom you can make yourself accountable to with what you feel the Lord directing you to do?