

Give It All You Got: Understanding the Rhythm of Effectiveness

[Mat 10:1 NASB] 1 Jesus summoned His twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every kind of disease and every kind of sickness.

[Mat 10:7-8 NASB] 7 "And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' 8 "Heal [the] sick, raise [the] dead, cleanse [the] lepers, cast out demons. Freely you received, freely give.

Introduction:

- Can a person give what they do have? Can something come from nothing?
- This is what happens when you try to give something you do not have:
 - [Act 19:13-16 NASB] 13 But also some of the Jewish exorcists, who went from place to place, attempted to name over those who had the evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, "I adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preaches." 14 Seven sons of one Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, were doing this. 15 And the evil spirit answered and said to them, "I recognize Jesus, and I know about Paul, but who are you?" 16 And the man, in whom was the evil spirit, leaped on them and subdued all of them and overpowered them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.
- When we try to accomplish God's Will without receiving from God we end up attacked, subdued, overpowered, running away, naked and wounded.

What is the process or rhythm of being effective?

Just like breathing, God wants us to give out what we have first received from Him.

I. Breathe in.

- a. He is summoning us.
 - i. To Him.
 - ii. To His Word.
- b. He is discipling us.
 - i. To know His Person.
 - ii. To know His Power.
 - iii. To know His Principles.
- c. He is giving authority to us.
 - i. His Power.
 - ii. Our Relationship.
 - iii. To effect change (over demons, diseases, sickness).

II. Breathe out.

- a. As you go.
 - i. Encourage the faithful.
 - ii. Win the lost.
- b. Preach the Kingdom of Heaven.
 - i. Who you know.
 - ii. What you know.
- c. Be effective.
 - i. Heal, raise, cleanse, cast out.

- **Freely receive. Freely give.**