

# 5785 2025 The Year of Greater Grace for The Next Level Pt. 3

# **Sunday Sermon – 12/15/2024**

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James 4:6-10 But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble." 7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.

To operate in the greater grace of 5785, we must get a clearer picture of our real reality as born-again believers.

Most Christians just see themselves as saved, just being saved from hellfire and going to heaven, and that's it. But we need to understand that our salvation entails so much more!

The next level encourages us to view the world from a kingdom perspective, embracing a broader and deeper spiritual reality that can transform our understanding.

This expanded spiritual awareness of the kingdom will help us learn how to operate according to its rules and principles.

This approach represents a completely different ideology that consistently produces kingdom results.

For example, how can you handle your enemies from the kingdom's perspective? Matthew 5:43-45 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, 45 that you may be sons (Mature Children) of your Father in heaven;

How to get more of what you need or desire. Luke 6:38 Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back."

The reason most born-again believers don't work these principles is that they haven't truly identified their born-again citizenship

The Bible says that we are citizens of a Kingdom that is not of this world (the Kingdom of God) This must become our reality. Philippians 3:20 But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior.

Once this becomes our reality, we talk, think, and perceive this natural reality differently.

Our perception is from heaven down, not from earth up.

Ephesians 2:19 (NLT) So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God's holy people. You are members of God's family (His Household).

The term "household" holds profound significance, as it emphasizes that we are not merely within the Kingdom but rather we reside in the sacred Household where Father God, the Creator of the Universe, lives.



This implies a deep family connection, highlighting the intimate relationship with All Mighty God as His Children, and WE SHARE ALL THINGS WITH JESUS.

The reality is that we are His children because we have been brought with a price (the Blood of Jesus), and we are not our own.

1 Corinthians 6:20 For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

1 Peter 1:17 (NLT) And remember that the heavenly Father to whom you pray has no favorites. He will judge or reward you according to what you do.

This law has been in effect from the beginning. Look at what God told Cain! Genesis 4:7 (NLT) You will be accepted if you do what is right. But if you refuse to do what is right, then watch out! Sin is crouching at the door, eager to control you. But you must subdue it and be its master."

Since the Bible says God shows no favorites, then why does it look like some people get rewarded more than others? It's because God is a rewarder of principles, not of people.

1 Peter 1:17 ...So you must live in reverent fear of him during your time as "foreigners (foreigners meaning that we must identify ourselves as being in this world but not of this world) in the land (land meaning on the earth)." 18 For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors.

(An empty dead success leading to nowhere life is not the life that Jesus came and paid the price for. Jesus came so that we could have life, in abundance, to the full, till it overflows.

The principles that embody the promises of God's Kingdom are crafted to offer a life rich in abundance and fulfillment.

They invite you to experience a profound existence like God, one that overflows with joy, purpose, and generosity, enriching every aspect of your being.

And the ransom he paid was not mere gold or silver. 19 It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

God knows that the most precious commodity in the universe is the blood of the innocent, for it was by the blood of Jesus that we are saved and heirs and joint heirs with Jesus Christ.

Without the blood of the innocent Lamb of God, Our Faith would be limited.

The price that it took to buy us back from the possession of satan was already determined by God before the foundation of the world. Revelation 13:8 All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Those of us who are born-again believers are part of the Kingdom of God, which is a different government, economic, social, and governmental system that surpasses any other in this world.

It really didn't matter who won the election; this world is headed towards a one-world government with the antichrist being its leader and the false prophet backing him up!



As members of the Kingdom of God, we can find renewed strength and hope, knowing that we are supported by a divine King who cares deeply for us. He promises to meet all of our needs, nurture our pure desires, and shield us from harm. No matter what challenging circumstances or unfamiliar environments we may encounter, we can rest assured that we are under His vigilant watch and unfailing protection.

The best that this world has to offer, God's kingdom is at least a thousand times better!

We, born-again believers, have an opportunity to operate from that kingdom right now.

Colossians 1:12-13 giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. 13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

Many Christian perspectives on reality are largely shaped by the influences of the world around them. As a result, individuals often live lives that mirror those of their non-Christian peers. These people tend to seek God's assistance only in moments of desperation when they feel they have exhausted all other possibilities. In those times, they may pray fervently, hoping for a response, and occasionally, they might find that He answers their pleas in unexpected ways.

Most born-again believers don't know who they are or the kingdom they are in!

The governmental system of the Kingdom of God is founded on love, fueled by faith, and run by the Word of wisdom of the Almighty God.

This government system has a king named Jesus Christ. This king has been given His authority from the orchestrator and creator of all things, "Father God."

In the Kingdom of God, there is a hierarchy.

# 1 Corinthians 11:3 But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God.

Family order, governmental order, and priestly order.

This governmental system has an army greater than any other man-made army in the physical world. This army comprises angelic hosts who go out and minister on behalf of Jesus Christ and on behalf of Saints.

We are called-out believers who are Kings and Priests, born of the spirit and not just of the flesh.

I will keep reminding us of this until our speech changes to the language of the kingdom as servant leaders.

**1 Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen generation,** (out of the eight billion people on this earth we are the ones chosen in this generation to be called by God)

#### a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people.

Revelation 5:9-10 ... And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, 10 And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."

Kingdom-born-again believers are royal priests who operate as servant leaders, understanding that we have authority, but we also recognize that we are responsible for those we serve, both God and man.



Even though we hold leadership positions, we stay humble and sober-minded. We listen to others, especially the authority over us, and are willing to follow their guidance. This approach helps create a kingdom culture where respect and shared responsibility thrive.

In this year of Greater Grace, we will have to embrace the King/Priest Anointing.

What is anointing? It is the burden removing, yoke destroying, power of God.

This anointing has to be embraced intentionally by fighting off the old impulses of the old you.

You know the impulses and ungodly desires of thinking and speaking that were formed by the ungodliness of this world and the natural nature that we inherited.

We, who are kings and priests, are now being trained in the age of grace.

We must learn how to think like royalty in training. Operating in humility while knowing you have whatever you need at your disposal.

Many of you know this, but you don't want to go through the process of having your mind renewed to think and speak on another level. Like God.

#### Philippians 2:5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,

The Greek word for mind is "phronéœ"; To think, have a mindset, be minded. The activity represented by this word involves the will, affections, and conscience (to be aware as God is aware).

Jesus knew who He was, why He was here, where He was going, and the reward He had to look forward to.

One reason for this age of grace is that we are training, which gives us an opportunity to make mistakes while we prepare to rule and reign. *In other words, it gives us another chance to get it right.* 

Ephesians 2:8-10 (NLT) God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. 9 Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. 10 For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

Without grace, mistakes would lead to disqualification from our ordained position established before the foundation of the world.

Notice we are a masterpiece. When we were saved, we became a blank canvas. As we navigate the peaks and valleys of our lives, as we follow the Holy Spirit, God is painting a picture on the blank canvas of our lives, revealing, molding and making what He had planned for us before the foundation of the world.

God is getting us ready for our ultimate goal which is to rule and reign with King Jesus for 1000 years.

As this world gets worse, we, God's called-out ones who are training to be kings and priests, will have an opportunity in this season to embrace greater grace than we ever have before.

James 4:6 But He gives more grace (Greater Grace). Therefore He says: "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble." 7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.



In these last and evil days, God has offered up a NEXT LEVEL measure of grace to fight off this end-time onslaught by satan and his cohorts.

To receive Grace on this level, we must humble ourselves and stay Humble.

*True submission is through humility.* 

Embracing humility can open doors to divine realms that prideful obedience simply cannot unlock. While those who follow rules out of pride may find themselves limited to earthly rewards, it is the humble heart that truly ascends to the higher, more profound experiences of grace and enlightenment.

#### Romans 5:20 ...But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more,

As sin increases, grace "super-increases." It brings us good despite our wrongdoing; grace cannot be overwhelmed by our sinfulness. The more we sin, the more grace God offers forgiveness and the opportunity through His empowerment to get it right.

As we progress further into this season, I'm coming to realize that we are still in the season of open doors from 2024. As some of us who encounter these doors, are discovering that we need greater grace to receive and accomplish what God has for us through these opportunities. However, because these doors present such significant opportunities, the enemy intensifies his attacks and schemes. Therefore, we need God's grace to manifest even more powerfully, enabling us to overcome the enemy and lay hold of what the open doors have to offer.

Notice the bible says that we are living in the last days. (Hebrews 1:2) (Acts 2:17).

In 1948, the last of the last days started when Israel became a nation. The Bible says that this generation will not pass before we see the coming of the son of man.

### The meaning of 5785

As we enter the Hebrew year 5785, let's continue to focus on the number 85.

The number 8 signifies the decade we are in, which biblically represents new beginnings.

In Hebrew, the number 8 in 5785, corresponds and truth.

The current year, number 5, in 5785, denotes the year to the word "Pey," which means "mouth." Positively speaking, it's associated with speaking life we are in. This is significant as this number biblically represents grace.

In Hebrew, the number 5 is associated with the letter "Hey" (7), which symbolizes **Divine Breath**, **Revelation**, and **God's Grace**.

This is the year I believe we will have more grace to pronounce new beginnings, renewal and increase in many areas of our lives.

# The Pey-Hey Principle

"The Pey Hey Principle" refers to speaking God's word with faith, by the influence of the Holy Spirit, so that God's promises can manifest in our lives.



The enemy wants to silence you or to get you to say the wrong thing so he can control your future.

He recognizes the authority and the creative power we work with when we speak the truth by the influence of the Holy Spirit.

His goal is to stop us from fulfilling our God-given command to Luke 19:13: 'Do business till I come.

The most important person in our lives is the Holy Spirit. The greatest capability that we get from the Holy Spirit is the ability to speak the truth of God's word.

We are to be used by God as Agents of Change, being ambassadors for Christ to "**Do business (occupy) till He comes**".

2 Corinthians 5:18... And God has given us this task (ministry) of reconciling people to him. Meaning we have been tasked with ministering divine things on a divine level, the 4<sup>th</sup> dimension.

When we are used as Ambassadors, "Agents of Change," we share the Gospel of the Kingdom of God and its King Jesus Christ to "Save the Lost and Transform the Saved"!

This is done by allowing the supernatural presence, power, and wisdom of God (the Holy Spirit) to change us first. As we change, we will be more equipped to administer gift reconciliation to others.

Remember, "The Pey-Hey Principle" refers to speaking God's word by faith, by the influence of the Holy Spirit, so that God's promises can manifest in our lives.

Every area of our lives that is lacking is missing the manifestation of the promise or promises of God.

Flawed people like you and I can work the "Pey-Hey Principle."

Job 22:27-30 You will make your prayer to Him, He will hear you, And you will pay your vows. 28 <u>You will also declare a thing, And it will be established for you;</u> So light will shine on your ways. 29 When they cast you down, <u>and you say, 'Exaltation will come!</u>' Then He will save the humble person.

The word exaltation in Hebrew is "Gewah", which refers to God's action to help a downhearted person, a lifting up or an injection of confidence.

In the scripture, it is written, "He will even deliver one who is not innocent; yes, he will be delivered by the purity of Your (God's) hands." This illustrates that even when we stumble and fall short due to our own mistakes, we still have the opportunity to proclaim "Gewah."

Through this invocation, we can trust that God will extend His mercy and grace, offering us redemption and support so His promises will still manifest.

The manifestation of these blessed promises of God has already been okay by Father God.

**2 Corinthians 1:20-22 For all of God's promises have been fulfilled in Christ.** Through the finished works of Jesus Christ, He secured the Father's blessed promises for us.

with a resounding "Yes!" And through Christ, our "Amen" (which means "Yes, let it be unto me according to your word")



ascends to God for his glory; when we say, "Yes, let it be unto me according to your word") it goes up to heaven and glorifies God.

because the bible says in Psalms 35:27 ... And let them say continually, "Let the Lord be magnified, Who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant."

...22, and he has identified us as his own by placing the Holy Spirit in our hearts as the first installment that guarantees everything he has promised us.

All of God's promises are Guaranteed because we have the Holy Spirit.

The Father has already okayed the transaction; all we need to do is speak the Word by faith.

We should embrace God's promises of material abundance, but more importantly, embrace the promises which reflect our true identity, capabilities, and purpose.

*Understanding and discovering who we are in Him is more important than seeking material blessings.* 

When we focus on who we are and our calling, the material blessings we receive will hold greater significance.

All of God's promises are yes and amen. God's promises are good anywhere, anyplace, and at any time.

As we embrace "The Pey-Hey Principle," we will become the Agents of Change that transform ordinary moments into extraordinary divine encounters for others as well as ourselves.

Somebody needs to shout "The Pey-Hey Principle"

# "The Pey-Hey principle"

#### Revelation, Proclamation, which leads to Manifestation!

"The Pey Hey principle" will dynamically empower born-again believers with revelation to Receive, Speak, and Bring Forth.

"The Pey Hey principle" is essential in these end times for our growth, prosperity, and effective service to the Kingdom as High-Level Agents of Change.

When God breathes on us, He fills us with the Spirit, Light, and Life of His Word, "Hey," John 6:63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.

God has given us the opportunity and a responsibility to speak these words that bring life.

The word of God is an immensely powerful creative force.

We can exhale by using our mouths to speak revelatory words by faith, "Pey," through declarations, confession, and prophetic words, and we can expect a grand manifestation.

When we articulate God's word with faith, we are unleashing the most potent and life-infusing spiritual substance that exists in the seen and unseen world.

Each spoken promise and declaration carries the potential to transform reality, bringing forth new life and possibilities that echo through time and space.



The Pey Hey Principle is as God breathes; I Speak!!!

When you exhale (speak), you must expect!

There will be pivotal times in our lives this year when the Holy Spirit will give us a revelatory (uncommon) word so that an uncommon manifestation can occur.

As we use "The Pey Hey Principle," we are called to be proactive in speaking God's promised blessings into existence, declaring God's promises over challenging situations, and using our words to take advantage of every opportunity to create New Beginnings, Renewal, and Change.

## "The Pey Hey Principle," bringing forth God's Promises from the 4th Dimension

The reason why so many Christians struggle is because they are operating at too low of a level.

We are born again to live from a rich, four-dimensional reality while moving through a three-dimensional world, similar to the glorious Garden of Eden before the fall. In this harmonious environment, the Glory of Heaven blended seamlessly with the breathtaking beauty and Glory of the Garden, producing an extraordinary coexistence of the natural and the supernatural.

This environment was free from struggle and toil.

This is the type of environment that man was created for. But after Adam sinned, God kicked man out of this glorious environment into one where he had to struggle just to have his needs met.

Genesis 3:17-19 (ERV) 17 Then the Lord God said to the man, "I commanded you not to eat from that tree. But you listened to your wife and ate from it. So I will curse the ground because of you. You will have to work hard all your life for the food the ground produces. 18 The ground will grow thorns and weeds for you. And you will have to eat the plants that grow wild in the fields. 19 You will work hard for your food, until your face is covered with sweat. You will work hard until the day you die,...

God stated this as a consequence of Adam and Eve's sins; the curse was permitted as a result.

But after Jesus Christ came, those who are born-again by choosing Him as our Lord and Savior no longer have to live under the curse, but we can live under the same blessing that God Blessed Adam and Eve with.

The first thing God did for man after giving him life was to pronounce the blessing on his life

We possess the inherent right to apply the "Pey-Hey Principle" to bring forth a blessed Eden-like environment around us.

Whether we find ourselves in difficult situations or less-than-ideal surroundings, we have what it takes to transform our environment into a sanctuary of peace and abundance.

Being Born again saints, we are chosen to live and operate from a higher level, Where the glory of Heaven and the Glory of Earth can coexist in our surroundings.

We have a right to create this type of environment anywhere we go. By using the Pey-Hey Principle to confess, declare and decree those promises.



The Bible is written for people who dare to think on the kingdom of God level (the Fourth Dimension) and operate by The Pey-Hey Principle, speaking God's word with faith, by the influence of the Holy Spirit, so that God's promises can manifest in our lives.

"The Pey-Hey Principle" is most effective when applied to these words of wisdom.

James 1:19 (Amplified Version) Understand this, my beloved brothers and sisters. Let everyone be quick to hear [be a careful, thoughtful listener, don't only listen to what the natural is communicating to you but also listen for the supernatural voice of the Holy Spirit], slow to speak [a speaker of carefully chosen words that the Holy Spirit wants to communicate through you into the atmosphere], slow to anger [patient, reflective, forgiving].

"The Pey-Hey Principle" produces revelation from God.

1 Corinthians 2:7-11 No, the wisdom we speak of is the mystery of God—his plan that was previously hidden, even though he made it for our ultimate glory before the world began. 8 But the rulers of this world have not understood it; if they had, they would not have crucified our glorious Lord.

In Paul's day, the evil rulers of the natural and supernatural worlds didn't understand what was going on with Jesus Christ, who He was, and what He was doing. It was a mystery to them, that's why they crucified Him.

...9 That is what the Scriptures mean when they say, "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him." 10 But it was to us that God revealed these things by his Spirit. For his Spirit searches out everything and shows us God's deep secrets.

Today there are a lot of mysteries that God is just now revealing because we are living in the "End Times" and only those who have the ear to hear what the spirit is saying will be able to decern what is going on.

Some of what God promised us was put on hold by Him to be revealed until these end times.

Daniel 12:4 "But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase."

God instructed Daniel to seal the revelatory word he received, as it is to be revealed only in the end times.

This suggests that some promises will not be fulfilled until the times when "many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase." as outlined in His Word.

Many of us are at a point in our lives where God is preparing to reveal to us and the world more of who we really are because we are living in the times mentioned in the book of Daniel.

The time has finally come for us to step more into the light and accomplish the incredible things that God and His kingdom need us to do because we are the end-time saints.

For those of us who are called for these end times, you know it; you know that you are called to something different, to make a difference, you know that you are carrying a special anointing, and you are finally starting to fit.

How do we know now is the time? God reveals the specific times when these promises will be unveiled, coinciding with an increase in global transportation and a rapid expansion of knowledge.



Travel has greatly improved, enabling us to cover long distances in hours rather than weeks. This has opened up new opportunities for exploration and connection. About 200 years ago for passenger train travel, and 110 years ago for airplane travel.

The "knowledge doubling curve" shows that human knowledge has rapidly expanded in the past 20 years, doubling roughly every year due to technological advancements and improved information access. Before the mid-20th century, knowledge took centuries to double.

We are living in a moment filled with significance, a time when the depth of God's revelation is intensifying as we approach the end times.

As the world changes around us, anticipate a profound spiritual transformation, insights, and understanding as the Holy Spirit guides us and provides for us through these pivotal moments.

Most born-again believers don't work the kingdom "The Pey-Hey Principle" because they haven't identified their born-again citizenship, which makes them a 4D being.

They view themselves and their possibilities as strictly rooted in the tangible reality of the 3D dimension, believing that their achievements and opportunities are confined to what this physical world has to offer.

With our Kingdom of God Citizenship, what we can do, achieve, and obtain reaches far beyond what this physical world offers.

The Bible says that we are citizens of a Kingdom that is not of this world (the Kingdom of God) where 4D is the real reality. Philippians 3:20 But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior.

Our perception of the world in three dimensions captures only a fraction of the true, four-dimensional reality that exists around us.

As born-again believers, we can operate from 4D, the kingdom of God right now.

The next level for this season is operating in the supernatural from a Kingdom of God perspective. In other words, operating from the 4<sup>th</sup> Dimension.

To thrive in the supernatural realm (the 4th dimension), we must cultivate a kingdom perspective that invites a deeper awareness of the spiritual reality around us.

We must embrace this expansive view; we open our minds to transformation, which paves the way for New Beginnings, Renewal, and Change.

This important principle enhances our growth and prosperity, allowing us to serve the kingdom with greater effectiveness and purpose, achieving heights we may not have thought possible.

A spiritual awareness of the kingdom is essential to operate in the 4<sup>th</sup> dimension. It helps us learn how to function according to kingdom rules and principles.

The 4<sup>th</sup> Dimension is a realm that transcends our conventional understanding of physical laws. It exists outside our usual concepts of time and space, introducing possibilities beyond our three-dimensional reality's limits.



This reality responds best to "The Pey Hey principle" speaking God's word with faith, by the influence of the Holy Spirit

In the fourth dimension, what once seemed impossible becomes achievable, and unimaginable scenarios can become viable options.

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The Kingdom that Jesus sets over is the reality of the fourth dimension and above.

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This governmental structure commands an army that surpasses any other human-made force in the physical realm, drawing its power and influence from the mysterious depths of the fourth dimension.

This army comprises angelic hosts who go out and minister on behalf of Jesus Christ and behalf of Saints.

They not only engage in combat but also provide guidance and support, far beyond conventional limits.