

Day 1: Waking In Your Purpose

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Hi, this is Cicone Prince and in that time that we have today, I'm going share with you the first part of a two-part series called **Getting To Your Last Level**. Today's topic is **Waking In Your Purpose!**

Say that with me, Get To My Last Level by Waking In My Purpose!

Now when I say **Getting To Your Last Level** I'm not being morbid and talking about death. Neither am I being a pessimists talking about not growing anymore.

What I am talking about is getting your mind to the point that you realize you have, as my friend Chis'mere Mallard often times says,

"You have unlimited, untapped, potential. It's inside of you. Not because I say so, but because I know so." ~ Chis'mere Mallard

Point: You see once you have accepted that you have the capacity to be, as Terrence Leftridge says Unstoppable, then your next level **WILL BE** you last once.

When you know that you want everything that God has for you then you are at **Your Last Level**. When you stop comparing yourself to where someone else is and to what they have then you are at **Your Last Level**. You spend your valuable time being *introduced to yourself* so that you know without a doubt who you are and what you bring to the table.

Exercise: I want you to close your eyes unless you are driving, and then I want to survey your life. Look for those times when you felt like you were in your element. When you felt like a fish in water. Look for those times when you were serving others and something in you whispered and said, "This is it!" This is the thing you were made for. That is your calling, that is your gifting and that is your purpose. I want you to put that in a special place in your mind because we are going to come back to that later.

I'm reminded of a story of a young man that was foretold to be the future king. Even after being identified as this future king he went back to doing what has done before. He didn't rush to move into the palace. He didn't fight for a place to park his donkey, you see because he was poor he didn't have a horse yet.... LOL... :-D He continued to serve where he was until the appointed time.

Write this done in your notes,

Point: There is an appointed time.

There was an appointed time for him to step into that role but he didn't have to force it. And a lot of us are trying to force things that are we are not ready for. We spend so much time, energy and effort trying to get into places that we are not mentally prepared for. And when we get there we are then afraid that we will be found out. Our pride won't let us ask for the help we need and we just try to "Wing it." And that's one of the major reason that a lot of people self-sabotage when they get what they say they want.

This young would be king didn't bum rush his way to the place that had been promised to him. He waited for the appointed time. Now that being me to another point. Write this in your notes, and it's a question. The question is

Point: "What do I do while I'm waiting? What do I do while I'm waiting?"

While this young man was waiting he didn't just daydream of balling and wilding out. He spent his time doing preparing for his position. He spent time doing homework for what was his soon to be responsible. When you wake up in your purpose you look at what you are doing as being something of the utmost importance. In other words, you don't want to mess it up. You realize how important it is!

I hate to put a story in a story but this one fit right here. A man retired to a coastal community so that he could watch the sunrise over the ocean each morning. One night a title wave washed up thousands of starfish on the shore. When the man got up the next morning to take his normal walk he saw all of these starfish. He stooped down picked one up and threw it back into the sea. He then stooped down and picked up another one and threw it back into the sea. Just then a newlywed couple was taking a morning stroll as well and notice the man repeating this action over and over again. They walked up to him and ask, "What difference are you making see that all these starfish are washed up on the shore?" The man stooped down and picked up another one and threw it into the sea. He said, "I made a difference to that one!" See when you understand that your reason for being is not for self-serving then you realized that someone is waiting for you to show up.

Write this down,

Point: Make a difference to one!

And that should make you want to show up at your best. Now back to our main story.

This young would-be-king realized that even with all of the talents that he had he didn't try to make himself more than he knows he was. He was patient enough to wait.

Question: Are you patient enough to wait?

Even though he's next in line to become king he didn't make any demands on the timing. He began to school himself the etiquette needed to be in that position. He studies the duties associated with the place he was foretold he would be in one day. And if your next level is going to be **Your Last Level** you need to embrace where you are going. So many of us won't take on duties because we'll say that's not my responsibility then get made because someone who would do it without the title gets the job in the end.

Question: Are you willing to put in the work without the title? Are you willing to learn what it involves before you are sitting in the driver's seat of a new position?

This would be king even had a chance to take out his predecessor but he didn't. Because he respected the office more than the person. And the person was trying to keep him from being his successor. In other words, he was trying to kill the would be king. The name of the would-be king is King David.

When you know your purpose and what your assignment is then you need to prepare for it. Don't just sit back expecting everything to fall into your lap with little to no work on your part. You are going to have to do some mental conditioning.

Write this in your notes:

Point: I have to move my mind there first!

I've often times tell people that if you are **Climbing The Wrong Mountain** and you find the right one you have to move your mind to the right first. Because where your mind is your body will follow.

Earlier I asked you place that thing that you consider your calling, your gifting and your purpose special place in your mind. Well now I want you to go to that special place and now we are going to move it from your mind to your heart. We are going to do that by identifying the emotions that are invoked when you are fulfilling your purpose.

How do you feel when you are operating in your purpose?

How does operating in your purpose make others feel?

I want you to write down your purpose or what you believe it to be and then I want you to answer those two questions.

- 1. How do you feel when you are operating in your purpose?
- 2. How does operating in your purpose make others feel?

Maya Angelou said that "People will forget what you say, they will forget what you do, but they will never forget how you make them feel."

And the reason that I'm talking about feeling is that they are critical not only in relationships but in every area of life. Especially in your business and career.

Waking up in your purpose means embracing it. Making it your own and allowing it to define you. It is a part of the core of who you are and fully surrendering to it will bring you to a place where you stop fighting your gift and then you are ready to starts exploring it.

Your homework for tonight is to mental, emotionally and spiritually explore and embrace your purpose.

Tomorrow we are going to go deeper by talking about **Walking In Your Power** which is where we explorer the purpose for which we were created and the reason that we are here.

And I can't wait to share that information because that's where the rubber meets the road!

I'll see you guys then. Che, Trevor back to you.