

PARTICIPANT'S GUIDE COURSE TWENTY-FOUR

FINDING YOUR PURPOSE AND DESTINY – MANTLES

How to Use This Guide

This self-study guide is a companion document to the video course “Finding your purpose and destiny – Mantles”

This guide will help you get a comprehensive look at how to find your purpose and destiny in life by looking at one of the ways In which Jesus can reveal your purpose and destiny to you.

Each Glory to Glory Study guide is organized around five areas of learning:

1. **Synopsis of Key Learning** - The synopsis will provide summaries of key points from the video that are important for you to understand and serve as foundational knowledge for the next course in the learning series.
2. **Important Vocabulary and Concepts** - This study guide will provide explanation of important words or ideas that are critical to understanding biblical truth.
3. **Deeper Learning** - The more you know and understand about who God is and how He works, the deeper in love you fall. God wants to have a deep and abiding relationship with you. He desires for you to know Him. This section of guide will give you additional insights into the teaching from the video for you to study on your own. If you have questions, there will be mentoring moments in the online school for you to get your questions answered.
4. **Life Application** - God calls for us to not just be a hearer of His word, but a doer also. (James 1:22). This means that God expects for us to apply what we learn about Him in our everyday lives. This section of the study is to help you think about the ways to apply what you learn from the course to your everyday life.
5. **Memory Scriptures** - Scriptures that support key concepts in the course will be highlighted. We encourage you to memorize these scriptures by meditating on them until they are hidden in your heart. When you hide God’s word in your heart, it makes it hard for the enemy to deceive you. In this way, you are less likely to sin against God. (Psalm 119:11)

Introduction to Course Twenty-Four

This is part 6 of the series on Finding Your Purpose and Destiny. In this course we discuss Mantles. What is a mantle? How do you get a mantle? This study guide will offer more information on mantles as well as an example of what happens when someone receives a mantle without proper training.

Finding Your Purpose and Destiny – Mantles- Part 6	
Synopsis	<p>A mantle is a symbol of spiritual authority. A picture of this in the natural realm is Queen Elizabeth receiving her mantle at her coronation as Queen. This mantle gets passed to her son Prince Charles, who will then be called King Charles. His son, Prince William is then slated to be the next king after Charles. Mantles then show that there is a succession plan that is not only in the natural realm but in the spiritual realm also.</p>
Key Vocabulary/ Concepts	<p>Mantle Hebrew - Addereth: glory, a cloak Phonetic Spelling : (ad-deh'-reth) Strong's Concordance 155 Definition: garment, glory, mantle, robe.</p> <p>Coming from the root word Adar (142) glorious, leader, magnificent, majestic, majestic ones, masters, mighty, Mighty One, nobles, powerful, stately</p>
Deeper Learning	<p>Since mantles are symbols of spiritual authority that can be passed on there comes the question of how the successor is chosen.</p> <p>Using the British Royal family as an example we see that it is passed on to the first born of the reigning monarch. Is this the same with a spiritual mantle? No.</p> <p>Studying the succession of the mantles in the bible, the first born does have first right to most succession plans but there are many instances when the first born did not inherit the mantle. Some even forfeited their role as the successor.</p> <p>In the case of king Saul, it should have been Jonathan but instead David received it. In the case of Isaac, Esau should have received it but instead it was Jacob did.</p> <p>Looking at Moses it would appear that the person closest to him would be his brother Aaron but Moses' mantle went to Joshua. God selected Joshua, not Moses. Just as God elected Elisha, not Elijah.</p>

	<p>This means that you may not know the person whose mantle you are inheriting. It is for God to decide the next successor.</p> <p>When you are ready to receive that mantle, God will give it to you.</p> <p>Just as God has a succession plan for continuing His kingdom until Christ's return, the enemy also have a succession plan. There are evil mantles but these are cursed by God and marked for destruction (read Joshua 7). These mantles are cursed and any who associate with them will be destroyed.</p>
<p>Life Application</p>	<p>In the video you learnt that Elisha asked for a double portion of what Elijah had and was told that only God can do that. (2 Kings 2:9-10)</p> <p>There are many things in life that we want and can desire and ask for. However, it is wise to wait for the Lord to give us our hearts desire in His timing.</p> <p>There are pitfalls to receiving a mantle too soon. We see this in reading the story of king Saul. Unlike David, Saul did not have the time to work out his issues. He got the mantle instantly! (1 Samuel 9-10)</p> <p>While this may seem like a wonderful thing to happen... no period or waiting, no training, being handed a mantle and an entire kingdom overnight was the worse thing that could happen to him. And, to those under his leadership as well. We see that he was selected to be king prematurely. The people demanded a king and God gave them one. (1 Samuel 8). He was anointed, mantled and made king without any training. He looked like a king on the outside but on the inside, he was a very tormented individual we need to be made whole by God. He needed deliverance. He was basically learning and training while on the job and made many mistakes.</p> <p>David on the other hand, while it appears that he had to wait 17 years, had all this time to train, gather his team, understand his own weaknesses and strength. He had the time work through his issues.</p> <p>Having too much power and authority too soon can be detrimental, not only to you but to those around you as well.</p> <p>Is there something you've been asking God for and you have been waiting patiently to receive? This could be a blessing in disguise. Instead of</p>

	<p>complaining, ask God to show you what areas you need to work on to move closer to receiving it.</p> <p>Some things in life just take time and sometime God teaches through life experiences.</p> <p>We should also pay attention that while David knew he was next in line to receive Saul's mantle he didn't curse Saul with his mouth but instead showed respect and honor to him. Even though Saul did many terrible things to David and most of us would say bad things about him. Word curses on mantles don't just die when the one who currently wears it passes on. No. This stays on that mantle so that the new person who receives it now has to deal with those curses.</p> <p>This should cause us to be mindful of how we speak against those in authority that we do not agree with. As when the power changes hands, don't be surprised if the things that you spoke start to manifest with the new leader. David understood this principle and never spoke word curses against Saul. We also see that God also doesn't curse a leader instead He just transfer the mantle to another. Your words are powerful, so you need to be mindful of what you say. Otherwise, you will need to break off those curses every time a new leader takes over.</p> <p>Have you spoken bad things over the leader of your nation? Take some time to ask God to cancel those curses. Bless and not curse (Romans 12:14)</p>
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Memory Scriptures	(Zechariah 4:6 NKJV) "So he answered and said to me: "This <i>is</i> the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' Says the LORD of hosts"
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Prayer

Abba Father,

Thank you for being a God with a succession plan. Nothing falls to the ground in Your Kingdom instead You have someone in line waiting, hand selected by Your Mighty Hand to take up the mantle and continue where someone else has left off. Thank you for the preparation period and time of training where you have me today. Thank you that at the right time You will move me into position to receive what You have ordained for me before the foundations of the earth. Thank you that I never have to worry that someone else is going to step in and take what You have for me so I can be secure that my inheritance is



safe in You. Lord, I pray now that You would sanctify my desires. That I may desire what You have for me. Lead my heart to go after the things that are pleasing to You. Grant me insight into the mantle You have in store for me. Lord if there is a chance that I have already received this mantle and I am still unaware that I have it, show it to me. In dreams or visions allow me to see it and reveal to me what I have been given authority over in the realm of the spirit. Thank you for calling me into the deeper things with You, in Jesus name, Amen