

The Maturity Factor

Morris Ruddick has this to say regarding our spiritual maturity in these Last days. Read this in context with my article “Kingdom Age Spiritual Growth and Development”¹.

“Operational maturity within the household of faith is no longer an option. For far too long we've promulgated a mind-set of being a band of followers, ever-learning and never coming to the knowledge of the truth. The great deception in this mode of thinking is that spiritual maturity is somehow tied to a higher level of doctrinal knowledge. That's the "one ups-man" approach the Pharisees gave the people. It immobilized them. Jesus came to set the people free from that trap and mobilize them. True spiritual maturity is putting your faith in action, being doers of the word and not hearers only, who deceive themselves.”²

Elijah risked it all to face overwhelming odds arrayed against him in order to confront evil and uphold God's honor. All it takes is a righteous remnant with the faith and courage to risk everything...

The wedding feast is fast approaching, which will distinguish those who will be the chosen from those called.

The heroes of faith spoken of in the book of Hebrews were not seduced by their comforts or their quest to sustain their survival. They conformed to the truth spoken of by Jesus that the greatest love³ is that evidenced by those willing to give up their lives for God's honor and for those who would follow them. Some did just that. Some, in facing the crucible, walked into spectacular miracles.

Such a resolute mind-set is the maturity factor needed to trigger His glory and change the spiritual climate. God's glory will not abide with the glory sought by men. The ground occupied by those willing to sacrifice at the level Jesus pointed to is sacred ground. God is not looking for glory-hounds, but rather the Stephens and those with the spirit and spiritual maturity to confront the realities and uphold God's honor with their all.”⁴

[Read the full article at strategicintercession.org/2015/07/spiritual-climate-change]

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1 – canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/kingdom-age-spiritual-growth-and-development.pdf

2 – James 1:22

3 – John 15:13

4 – Morris E. Ruddick (5th July 2015) “Spiritual Climate Change” (strategicintercession.org/2015/07/spiritual-climate-change)