

# **BREAKING FREE FROM DISCOURAGEMENT**



# THREE REASONS NOT TO BE DISCOURAGED:

## 1. SOMEONE HAS TOO MUCH INVESTED IN YOU TO STAY DISCOURAGED

All the people who influenced you in your life and encouraged you to seek God and follow his ways deserve for you to continue the journey. There is a reason people were placed in your life. God will compensate us for all the things we've given up to pursue his desires and the sacrifices we've made to fulfill his will for our life. One day we will know all the help that's been involved in our life to make us all that God had intended us to be. God puts people in our life, both good and bad, to teach, encourage, strengthen, and humble us. Heat is an integral part of molding a form. Somebody has a lot riding on you, someone somewhere is watching and cheering you on because they have a lot riding on you.

### 2 Timothy 1:5-7 KJV

[5] When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also. [6] Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. [7] For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

### Luke 18:29-30 KJV

[29] And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, [30] Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.

### Deuteronomy 6:10-11 KJV

[10] And it shall be, when the Lord thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, [11] And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full;

### 1 Timothy 4:12 KJV

Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

## 2. YOU HAVE SO MUCH TO OFFER

When we got saved, a gift was given to each one of us to use in the service of God. Some were given many gifts, some were given much of a single gift. We need to understand what the specific gift God has given us, we are unique and one of a kind. Therefore we need to take the time to understand who we are and what our strengths are so that we can recognize what God has ordained us to do. I owe it to God to use the gifts he's given me for his glory and not to stay in the drudgery of my circumstances. More people are counting on you and your gift than you realize.

1 Corinthians 12:7 KJV

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

2 Timothy 1:6 KJV

Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

1 Timothy 4:14 KJV

Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

## 3. GOD HAS PLACED AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF POTENTIAL WITHIN YOU

God has not given us insecurity, fear, anxiety, and doubt. He's given us amazing power through the Holy Spirit, if we understand this, it's the beginning of unleashing incredible power in our life to act and accomplish things we could never imagine doing.

A spirit of confidence consists of realizing we have a gift, assignment, and source. Confidence is an ingredient in fulfilling God's mission, but it's also a lightning rod to those who would prefer to see you stay down. Love is another very powerful gift given to us by God to let people know the things we do are done at a deeper level and more personal to the individual we're helping. God wants us to be focused and disciplined, not adrift in chaos and disorder. Uncertainties do not come from him, confidence and faith do.

Jeremiah 29:11 KJV

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.