EPISODE 23:

Exhausted From Fighting? The Battle Just Changed Hands

There is a fight that wears you down to the bone, the kind you have been swinging at for years with tired arms and no end in sight. If that is you, this word is for you.

In this episode, Apostle Raley continues The Wind Is With Us with the story of David waiting for the sound in the balsam trees. When the wind of God comes, the warfare does not stop, it changes hands. Here's the truth: you were never meant to win this with your own arm.

STRAIN WEARS YOU OUT

Isaiah 40:30–31

"Even youths grow tired… but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength."

Fighting in your own strength leaves you exhausted and often right back where you started. Strain is real effort with no lasting ground gained.

There is a better way than swinging harder. The problem is not that you are not trying. It is that you were never meant to win this alone.

WAIT FOR THE SOUND IN THE TREES

2 Samuel 5:24

"When you hear the sound of marching in the treetops, move quickly."

God told David not to charge in, but to wait for a sound in the balsam trees, the sign that God had gone out ahead of him.

There is a moment to move and a moment to wait. Moving before the sound is striving. Moving with the sound is victory.

THE FIGHT CHANGES HANDS

Exodus 14:14

"The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still."

When the wind of God enters the battle, the war does not end, it shifts. It stops being your fight and becomes His.

Being still is not passivity. It is trust that the One who went ahead of you is already winning what wore you out.

THE ENEMY FEARS THE WIND, NOT YOUR EFFORT

Zechariah 4:6

"Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit."

The enemy is not intimidated by how hard you swing. He is terrified of the wind of God, because your effort has limits and the Spirit does not.

Stop trying to out-muscle what only the Spirit can move. Invite the wind into the fight.

STOP SWINGING AT WHAT ONLY THE WIND CAN MOVE

Psalm 46:10

"Be still, and know that I am God."

Some things will never yield to your strength, no matter how many times you swing. They only move when the wind moves.

Put your energy into positioning and trusting, not exhausting yourself against a wall the Spirit was always meant to bring down.

THE FIGHT BECOMES A SONG

Exodus 15:1

“Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord.”

On the far side of the Red Sea, the battle turned into worship. The warfare in the wind does not just end the fight; it begins the song.

What has been your battlefield is about to become your testimony. Hold on. The song is coming.

THIS WEEK'S MOMENT

Trade striving for trust, and move when God moves.

Ask:

- What battle have I been swinging at in my own strength?
- Am I moving ahead of God or waiting for the sound?
- Where do I need to let the fight change hands?

Then:

- Name the fight that has worn you out
- Stop trying to out-muscle what only the Spirit can move
- Listen for the sound before you move
- Reframe stillness as trust, not passivity
- Invite the wind of God into the battle
- Keep watch for the song on the other side

Pray:

"Father, I am tired of fighting in my own strength. Thank You that when Your wind shows up, the battle changes hands. Help me stop swinging at what only You can move, wait for the sound, and move when You move. Turn my battlefield into a song. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Remember:

- I was never meant to win this with my own arm.
- Strain wears me out; the wind wins the fight.
- I will wait for the sound before I move.
- The enemy fears the wind, not my effort.
- The fight is changing hands.
- As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.