

IS IT TIME TO QUIT YOUR JOB OR TAKE A VACATION?

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1st King 17:3-6

When you have been run down by the job and you are feeling worn out you may think it is time to quit your job. This feeling is very common. However, there is a thin line between quitting and knowing when to take a break.

This current workforce is a relentless grind. There is very little time to unwind and decompress in this workforce. When you are not on the phone, you're talking to a customer, when you're not talking to a customer, you're doing paperwork when you're not doing paperwork, you're in a meeting, when you're not in a meeting you're solving a crisis. The list goes on and on.

The continuous laborious work confuses your emotions. So many people abort the blessing because they

misdiagnose when it's time to leave a job compared to when it's time to take a vacation. When God opens a door for you at a particular job that is your current assignment.

God's assignment is **NOT** easy to complete. It comes with challenges, problems, and troubles. However, He always equips you with the tools to be successful. Depending on the type of job, you may not have the option of taking off when you need to. So what do you do when you are burnt out and can't go no further?

STEP BACK AND ASSESS THE SITUATION

Burnt out is usually the indicator people believe when they want to quit. However, that is **NOT** the indicator in the Kingdom of God when to leave a job. If you are a Kingdom citizen your indicators are different from the world.

When the prosperity **STOPS** coming to you that's when it's time to quit your job. **PROSPERITY** is God's provision! While you're working, solving problems, being a light in a dark place and making a difference God makes sure your needs are met.

The Lord showed us that our circumstances should not determine if it's time for us to quit. His **PROVISION** to us is the indicator. God sent Elijah to a foreign, barren and hot land. This was not a place that was desirable. However, the Lord directed him there.

While in this destitute land the Lord made sure Elijah was provided for. The situation was designed for Elijah to quit and give up. But in the midst of these horrible challenges God assigned a dangerous and deadly bird to feed him.

"1st Kings 17:3-6 says, "Leave this place and go east and hide near Kerith Ravine east of the Jordan River. You may drink from the stream, and I have commanded ravens to bring you food there." So Elijah did what the Lord said; he went to Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan, and lived there.

The birds brought Elijah bread and meat every morning and evening, and he drank water from the stream."

This is the difference between knowing when to quit a job and when to take a vacation. Despite how hard, stressful, challenging and laborious your job can be if God is **PROVIDING** all of your needs it's not time for you to quit. You need a vacation!

When the provision **STOPS**, then you quit. The Lord made a promise to provide for us. He never said that the environment and circumstances would be ideal.

You have to adjust your expectations and don't leave a job that God wants to bless you in because times are hard. The Lord knows what He is doing. He is either protecting you from what is to come or preparing you for what is about to happen.

The purpose of a vacation is to regroup, refresh and revive the soul so you can **CONTINUE** with the

assignment God gave you to complete. Make sure you discern the proper time when you need to quit your job or take a vacation because it is the difference between delaying your promise and receiving your purpose.

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