

Happy Monday! First of all, may we say a humble “Thank You” for the taking the time out of your day to check into the *Daily Talk*. We are very aware that there are a million sites out there for devotions and encouragement and that you have chosen to make this one of your stopping spots means a lot to us and making J.O.E. means a lot more to our Father!

LIFT OFF!

Of course we never want to hear “Houston, we have a problem.” On the contrary, understanding the mechanics behind hearing the far better words “Houston, we have lift off!” is what I feel the Lord talking about today.

When you are finally ready, when all systems are go and everything has been checked and is in compliance with regulations, when you are in your element you can be ready to soar.

I wrestled with wanting to title this something about eagles because they give a great symbol of waiting for the right timing. They learn to wait for the right wind before they lift off into the sky because with the right wind under their wings they don’t have to exert their energy as much, leaving more of an opportunity for them to seek out their blessings! (water, food, mate)

I would like to offer some similarities in lifting off between the natural and the spiritual and hope that you are able to gain a nugget to chew on today.

Lift off can only happen:

- After you know what the manual says (reading the Word)
- When all parts are functioning adequately (unity)
- When there are no other obstacles in the sky (removing hindrances)
- When you have a pilot in place (God has the authority in your life)
- When you are fueled up (spending personal time with the Lord)
- With an alert co-pilot (allowing Holy Spirit to guide you)
- When weather conditions are cleared (self-control becomes more evident)
- When you are seated and buckled (obedience & humility)

Ezekiel 43:5 – Then the Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court, and the glory of the LORD filled the temple.

It is God's good pleasure to see us prosper and live in the blessings of His mighty hand. It is also His timing that is perfect that through all number of situations (good and bad) we gain maturity in Him. It grows our faith and when we have faith, we have hope. Waiting on the Lord means that you are also preparing yourself for being ready for His direction and assignment.

Are “all your systems go?”

Why don't we ask the Lord together today to show us the check list – if there is an area we need to give more attention – what tools we need to fix it or if we just simply need to wait a little longer for clearing? To hear that we are cleared to move – cleared for “Lift Off” is a beautiful sound and marks milestones in our lives that we are gaining new heights with God and pressing on toward the mark of the high calling in Him.

Lifted up to the place of clarity and understanding, forward movement and gained ground.

YES PLEASE!



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