Ascending to the Council Made Simple
7 Spirit Cue Cards
Court & Council Etiquette
Sonship & the Divine Council

Father

Lord what is on your heart?

My purpose and my presence get sons through trials.

- **1Pet 4:12** Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.
 - 13) But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed.

Christ's sufferings are warfare over purpose.

- It's not suffering for no reason.
- It's spiritual warfare over the purpose you share with Father.
- **Ro 8:35** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

 Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?
 - 36) As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."
 - 37) No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.
- Rev 2 and 3 7X "to him that overcomes"
- Duet 8:18 You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth (Chayil, to be valiant, add value), that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day.
- Rom 8:28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of
 - 1) those who love him,
 - 2) who have been called according to his purpose.

The most prevalent deception (process of making money is Father's purpose)

- Money flows toward purpose, from purpose.
- But money itself is never purpose (not Rich toward God).
- Loving money (the collateral for everything I want) is idolatry.

Jesus

True wealth is the power to be valiant for Father's purpose.

Servants – yes, but how? (a process question)

• How to make money, satisfy my desires.

Sons - Yes, but why?

Why Father works; what causes Him to Move (sons know this because they ask)

Lord, Why don't sons carry purpose? How do you redeem their purpose?

- If there is no purpose then warfare feels like personal failure, discipline.
- But if sons carry purpose, Father fights with them (feels like we're on the same page).
 - o Gives sons the power to be valiant (Duet 8:18).
 - o Father works... everything for good (resurrects, Rom 8:28).
- 1) Sons need to know why purpose is important.
 - a. Why it's on Father's heart? ...from a conversation in the Council.
- 2) Sons need to experience what purpose is.
 - a. See it with their Seer gift.
 - b. Courts for accusations and Decrees.
 - c. Council to keep in step, dynamic changes from cloud moving.
- 3) Sons put purpose in writing, they are serious.
 - a. See why it's a priority.
 - b. How it connects to everything you do.
 - c. How it changes over time when the Cloud moves
- 4) Sons need Ecclesia the army.
 - a. Others who see, share their purpose.
 - b. The "2 or 3" gathered to contend for it the Courts and Council.
 - c. To taste the momentum of movement.

Holy Spirit

Purpose pre-positions sons for movement

- We execute when we hear marching in the trees
- Purpose is a place of Rest (it's not about me!)
- **Zech 4:6** Then he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the LORD of hosts.
 - 7) Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain. And he shall bring forward the top stone amid shouts of 'Grace, grace to it!'"
- **Heb 4:10** for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. (Not listening)
- **Heb 4:2** For also we have had the gospel preached, as well as them.

But the Word preached did not profit them,

not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. (the faith that comes by hearing)

Faith – Hearing and doing (co-laboring) in Father's purpose

Wisdom - Strategy

Help sons see the fruit from co-laboring in Purpose (examples)

- 1) The clarity of purpose.
- 2) How father intervened to make it happen.

Most sons have an experience where they think Father didn't intervene

- Treat it like an accusation in the Courts
- Decree; Father works for the good of those who...
- Often misinterpret warfare / suffering as personal instead of strategic.
- If "everything is about me" I can't share Christ's sufferings.
 - o Feels like God is disciplining me, angry with me.
 - o Feel distance from Father, abandoned.

Understanding – tactics

Purpose puts warfare, suffering, setbacks, delays in context

- If "It's all about me" there is no grid to interpret
 - Feel distant from God if something goes wrong.
 - Assume He's mad at me.
- If it's for a purpose, we can rejoice; warfare is progress!

Acts 5:40 – They called the apostles in and had them flogged.

Then they ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.

41) The apostles left the Sanhedrin, rejoicing because they had been counted worthy of suffering disgrace for the Name.

Kingdom – true riches are "Rich toward God." Lu 12:16-21

If we have the relational treasure of sonship and purpose, we can conquer the storms of business and inherit our Land.

Heart Experiences in Business Heart's Desires 2Cor 6:8 – Through Glory and dishonor (Success) Bad report, and good report (Reputation) Genuine, yet regarded as imposters (Character) **9)** Known, yet regarded as unknown (Visibility) Dying, yet we live on (Vulnerability) Beaten, yet not killed (Safety) Sorrowful, yet always rejoicing (Happiness) Poor, yet making many rich (True Wealth) Having nothing, yet possessing everything (Kingdom Purpose)

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It's not about us, Warfare is over your purpose!

Counsel

The Kingdom trade is putting Father's purpose first (Mt 6:33)

- Over the stronghold of "it's all about me."
 - o I can suffer shame for His name.
 - o I can receive promotion, glory for His name.

They both pay the same!

• Laying down my life is surrendering my stronghold of "it's all about me" – it's not!

Resurrection is a way of life for sons.

- All experience deaths an resurrections.
- Resurrection happens when we see Father's purpose in death.

Might

Lord, how can I work via your power and might?

It's Father's power through you; God working (Rom 8:28) to fulfill His purpose through you!

Phil 2:13 – For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

Belief/Faith (Hearing) → then do it; do what you see Father doing (Jn 5:19)

Knowledge

Ps 18:30 – As for God, His way is perfect; the Word of Jehovah (purpose) is tried; (it draws warfare)

He is a shield to all those who trust in Him.

(knowing Purpose is a refuge, a shield of faith, Eph 6:10-18)

The shift toward Kingdom goes right through 2 strongholds

- The stronghold of self: "It's all about me!" or "It's all about my business!"
- The money stronghold; collateral for "Everything I want." "When I have money, my dream will come true."

The shift goes through death and resurrection to life and life more abundantly.

- Abundance is Rich Toward God.
- Money is not a measure of worth in the Kingdom. It's riches toward God.

Fear of the Lord

Gen 20:11 – I said to myself, there is surely no fear of God in this place and they will kill me because of my wife.

In Reality, Fear of the Lord was missing in Abraham

Honor Father's purpose, it is substance.

Heb 11:1 – Faith is the substance of things hoped for...

Purpose comes from hearing God (Faith comes by hearing).