

# SAPPHIRE LEADERSHIP GROUP

*Noble Subjects of the Great King*

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## Gatekeepers

One of the cultural phenomena that distinguishes the contemporary church from that of past generations is the emergence of a tribe called “gatekeepers.”

In practical terms, these are the individuals who stand as a barrier between the pastor and the people. A highly gifted, anointed speaker is hidden away until time to speak and then swiftly escorted away again.

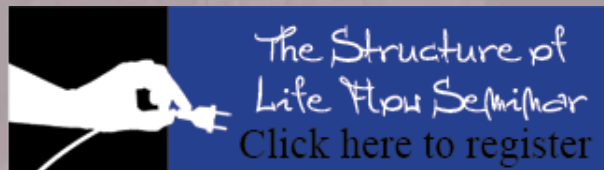
Trying to access such a one through phone or e-mail is almost impossible because all contact is carefully screened by the ubiquitous “gatekeepers” who keep undesirable people from intruding in the life of the man of God.

One of the many reasons for this is that some people are simply “expensive” to minister to and some individuals opt to hide from them.

This dynamic is not limited to pastors and itinerant speakers. Many of you have experienced the strange dynamic of ministering to a deeply wounded person and coming away invigorated, while simply chatting with a seemingly normal person leaves you emotionally drained.

There is a better solution to this problem than hiding behind gatekeepers or unfriending them on Facebook.

The seminar in Texas on this weekend will give you tools for defusing this dynamic in the spiritual realm, so you are not hit so hard in the natural.



# Bible Study Tools

This is the start of a new series on Bible study methods. No one tool fits every personality, but there are so many different ways to approach the Word, that everyone can find something that fits.

The grandfather of all Bible study tools is to simply read a passage out loud once a day for 100 days. We recommend not doing more than four chapters, and often just one is enough for this study.

In the course of the 100 days, use different versions, and when possible, have someone else read it out loud to you.

Normally, around six weeks into the assignment it will seem incredibly boring and unproductive, but for those who press through that ceiling, revelation begins to flow in the later part of the season.

It is also wise to vary the times of day you read it and the location. Variety in versions, reader, time and location will give you maximum ability to receive great treasures from the Word.



High honors to those of you who have gotten up in the wee hours of the morning, in order to be part of one of the teleconferences we hold in the U.S. You are to be commended for your fiercely intentional pursuit of becoming dangerous!

While we think the world of you, it has become apparent that there are a large number of people in those two continents who have been tracking with us for a while. Therefore we have scheduled a teleconference that is convenient for YOUR schedule, instead of ours.

Our initial understanding of the spiritual realm primarily revolved around demons. Then we learned more about generational curses and generational covenants.

Spiritual structures represent the next generation of tools for freedom. The rules governing the removal of structures are a bit different from our previous methodology.

This is a two part seminar which will include actual ministry times over the phone to model how we deal with both the root and the fruit of unholy spiritual structures.

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# Why Mary?

I have begun a study for personal benefit about the different ways we receive. It is quite obvious that resources flow toward some people and away from others. Some of that flow cannot be explained by curses and blessings.

The book of Matthew seemed like a good beginning point. I am going through it meticulously, looking at each person who received and asking the question, "Why did life (in some form) flow toward them?"

The story of Mary was quite a surprise to me. Obviously she had to be a female and a virgin. We assume (although Scripture does not say) that she had high character in other areas.

But it seems to me that her primary credential for receiving this gift was her family line. She was in the royal line of David.

At first that seemed like a big ho hum. Of course.

But then I realized that her family line was pretty broken. The family heritage was from Bethlehem. The land was there. The roots were there. Clearly her immediate family had botched their economics badly to have lost all of their land in Bethlehem.

Not only that, but they for some reason or another had to leave the whole tribal area of Judah and go live far away in the dishonored land of Nazareth.

Furthermore, it would seem that this brokenness in the family line extended to the whole clan. There was no one from her extended family line who had survived the ravages of whatever hit them.

There was no wealthy shirttail relative who could pull some strings at the Motel 6 to get them a room for a couple of nights. There were no ordinary relatives they could camp out with.

Mary's family line was in shambles at the time of Gabriel's announcement. YET, in the generations past there was so much treasure that it completely outweighed the present.

For those of you who have some pretty gnarly relatives in the current and recent generations, that should be a huge comfort to you. God looks at the whole movie of your family line, not just the recent snap shot.

You may be eligible to receive huge treasures based on what forefathers you don't even know have done, even if the ones you do know have kept your generational deliverance team very busy!



It has been amusing to watch the politicians struggle to determine whether to right, ignore or embrace this new movement.

The one thing that is clear to them is that it does not fit in the frame of previous cultural turmoil. It is a new thing.

It also marks the beginning of a new season of God working with the world. In February 2004 (as near as I can tell) the Mercy Season began.

In the years that ensued, I watched with interest as we saw hundreds of indicators that the Biblical principles we had articulated were, in fact, operant. However, it was a mystery to me why it did not become a comprehensive movement.

Suddenly in the spring of 2011 all sorts of things began to happen in almost every sector of society. At first it was just a confusing babble, but then the pattern began to come clear. The Mercy season was manifesting with force.

In studying that transition, we have gained a major new insight into the nature and dynamics of the Mercy Season. The Arab Spring, the Occupy movement, the sudden surge in social entrepreneurs, and this principle regarding the Mercy Season are all interrelated.

We will be sharing these insights at the seminar in Frederick, Maryland.

[Click here](#) for time and place. No pre-registration is required.