1-12-25 Faith Exchange Pastor Dan Stratton

> Crowned Purpose Parts 3 & 4r Focus Purpose Crown Fire

2019 Resurrection 2020 Clarity, efficiency, productivity, growth and promotion 2021 Freedom, Victory, Joy and Fulfillment 2022 Creative Courage 2023 Resonance 2024 Perfected Love 2025 Crowned Purpose

Focus on purpose - Purpose to focus. Interesting definition – epicenter, heat, fire, hearth The temperature of the body, the thermostat ... 98.6 — focusing through distractions sometimes feels like fire ... Holding on through the pain of purification.

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Messiah connect/and man Holiness and Sacrifice Serve - Servant 40 plus 6 plus 100 plus 4 = 150 = 6 Keter - Kona - Moked Focus Hooks us to both our Purpose and our Crown

Mark Chapter 9 - Red Letters -

Truly I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of

God comes with power. Elijah indeed comes first to restore all things. Yet how is it written of the Son of Man that He should suffer many things and be treated with contempt? But I say to you that Elijah has indeed come, and they have done to him whatever they wished, as it is written of him. What are you debating with them? O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me. How long has it been since it came to him? If you can believe all things are possible to him who believes. You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and enter him no more. This kind cannot come out except by prayer and fasting. The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him. After He is killed, He will rise the third day. What was it that you disputed among yourselves on the way? If anyone desires to be first, he must be last of all and servant of all. Whoever receives one of these children in My name receives Me. And whoever receives Me receives not Me, but Him who sent Me. Do not forbid him, for no one who does a miracle in My came can quickly speak evil of Me. For he who is not against us is for us. Truly I say to you,

whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in My name, because you belong to Christ, will not lose his reward. Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched, where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell, and into the fire that shall never be quenched. And if your eye causes you to sin pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of god with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the fire of hell, where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched. Everyone will be salted with fire, and every sacrifice will be salted with salt. Salt is good. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace with one another

1 Corinthians 3:13-15 KJV. every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward..

Everyone will be salted with fire ... preserved, prepared, purified Revealed by fire ...

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## 1. Exodus 3:2

"The angel of the LORD appeared to him in a blazing fire from the midst of a bush; and he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, yet the bush was not consumed." God appeared to Moses in the burning bush, showing His presence in a miraculous way. This reminds us that God often uses fire to get our attention and reveal His plans.

## 2. Hebrews 12:29

"For our God is a consuming fire."

God's nature is like a consuming fire—He is holy, powerful, and demands reverence. This verse invites us to approach God with respect, acknowledging His purity, power, and strength.

3. Luke 3:16

"John answered and said to them all, 'As for me, I baptize you with water; but One is coming who is mightier than I, and I am not fit to untie the thong of His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'"

John the Baptist foretells the purifying fire of the Holy Spirit that Jesus would bring, cleansing and empowering believers for a life of spiritual vitality.

4. Jeremiah 20:9

"But if I say, 'I will not mention His word or speak anymore in His name,' His word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot." Jeremiah describes God's prophetic Word as a fire within him, one that cannot be contained. This shows the passion and urgency that God's anointed message ignites in those who proclaim it.

5. Isaiah 43:2

"When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, nor will the flame burn you." God promises to protect us through life's fiery trials. No matter what challenges we face, we are not alone, and His presence shields us.

# 6. Malachi 3:2

"For He is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap."

Fire here symbolizes purification. God refines us like gold, burning away impurities so we can reflect His glory more clearly.

# 7. Acts 2:3

"And tongues that looked like fire appeared to them, distributing themselves, and a tongue rested on each one of them."

At Pentecost, fire was a sign of the Holy Spirit coming upon the disciples, marking a moment of spiritual empowerment and transformation.

# 8. Leviticus 6:13

"Fire shall be kept burning continually on the altar; it is not to go out."

The perpetual fire on the altar in the tabernacle signifies our need to always keep our worship, passion, prayer, and devotion to God burning. It also signifies God's spirit is to continually burn bright in our lives.

## 9. Revelation 20:9

"Fire came down from heaven and devoured them."

God's judgment is sometimes depicted as fire. This verse reminds us that His justice will ultimately prevail against all evil. Fire is used to measure us ... not for Him as much for us. We need to know what we are made of, what we are capable of and how we will respond when called upon.

10. Zechariah 13:9

"And I will bring the third part through the fire, refine them as silver is refined, and test them as gold is tested." Trials are compared to refining fire. God uses difficult times to refine our faith and strengthen our dependence on Him.

11. Exodus 13:21

"And the LORD was going before them in a pillar of fire by night to give them light." God led the Israelites through the wilderness with a pillar of fire, symbolizing His guidance and protection in dark and uncertain times. Fire guides us. We are not to avoid the trials, but to go through them to learn and to see ...

12. Jeremiah 23:29

"Is not My word like fire?" declares the LORD, "and like a hammer which shatters a rock?" God's Word is compared to fire, showing its ability to purify, illuminate, and break through the hardest hearts.

13. Daniel 3:25

"Look! I see four men loosed and walking about in the midst of the fire without harm." Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were unharmed in the fiery furnace because God was with them. This reminds us that no matter how intense the heat, God's presence protects and preserves us.

14. Proverbs 17:3

"The refining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold, but the LORD tests hearts." Just as fire purifies metals, God uses trials to test and purify our hearts, making us more like Him.

15. Isaiah 6:6-7

"Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal in his hand... and touched my mouth." Isaiah's lips were purified with fire, representing the cleansing power of God that prepares us for His service.

16. 2 Kings 2:11

"And Elijah went up by a whirlwind to heaven." Elijah's ascent in a chariot of fire symbolizes God's power to transcend earthly limits, taking His faithful servant to heaven.

17. Revelation 3:18

"I advise you to buy from Me gold refined by fire."

This verse invites believers to seek spiritual riches that have been refined by God's purifying fire, by trusting God through all trials. There are riches to be found in trials and Yahshua invites us - instructs us - to prefer these over others.

18. Numbers 11:1

"The fire of the LORD burned among them and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp." God's fire can also be a symbol of discipline, as it was in the wilderness when the Israelites complained.

19. Luke 12:49

"I have come to cast fire upon the earth; and how I wish it were already kindled!" Jesus speaks of bringing spiritual fire—a force that refines and awakens people to the truth of God and stirs passion for His presence.

20. Job 23:10

"When He has tried me, I shall come forth as gold." Job recognized that God's refining process, like fire, brings forth something precious—our faith and character.

Fire is a multifaceted symbol throughout Scripture. Whether it's a sign of God's empowering presence, His refining work, or His judgment, it consistently points us to the powerful and holy nature of our Creator God.

As believers, we can embrace the fire of His Spirit! We allow it to cleanse, empower, strengthen, and lead us into a deeper, more passionate relationship with Him.

Through His fire, we are transformed, purified, and made ready to shine His light in the world.