# BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

### Fasting – the focused, consecrated seeking of God, brings:

- A. The blessing of knowing Him better
- B. The blessing of hearing Him better
- C. The blessing of seeing Him move

Joshua told the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you." Joshua 3:5 (NIV)

The biggest generator of long-term results is learning to do things when you don't feel like doing them. If you let excuses or emotion drive behavior, you're cheating your future self. Put aside the excuses and start doing what you need to do.

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But when you pray, go to your room, close the door, and pray to your Father, who is unseen. And your Father, who sees what you do in private, will reward you.

Matthew 6:6 (GNT)

### **Behind Closed Doors:**

Hidden or kept secret from the public; without an audience or crowd watching.

<sup>1</sup>The widow of a member of a group of prophets went to Elisha and said, "Sir, my husband has died! As you know, he was a God-fearing man, but now a man he owed money to has come to take away my two sons as slaves in payment for my husband's debt."

<sup>2</sup> "What shall I do for you?" he asked. "Tell me, what do you have at home?" "Nothing at all, except a small jar of olive oil," she answered. <sup>3</sup> "Go to your neighbors and borrow as many empty jars as you can," Elisha told her.

<sup>4</sup> "Then you and your sons go into the house, close the door, and start pouring oil into the jars. Set each one aside as soon as it is full." <sup>5</sup> So the woman went into her house with her sons, closed the door, took the small jar of olive oil, and poured oil into the jars as her sons brought them to her.

<sup>6</sup> When they had filled all the jars, she asked if there were any more. "That was the last one," one of her sons answered. And the olive oil stopped flowing. <sup>7</sup> She went back to Elisha, the prophet, who said to her, "Sell the olive oil and pay all your debts, and there will be enough money left over for you and your sons to live on."

### **Behind Closed Doors, God's Spirit:**

- 1. Provides for What is Lacking
- 2. Makes Us Productive
- 3. Creates A Pathway for Progress

The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent.

**Exodus 33:11 (NIV)** 

### Shut the Door, Prepare the Vessel

<sup>20</sup> In a large house there are dishes and bowls of all kinds: some are made of silver and gold, others of wood and clay; some are for special occasions, others for ordinary use. <sup>21</sup> Those who make themselves clean from all those evil things, will be used for special purposes, because they are dedicated and useful to their Master, ready to be used for every good deed.

2 Timothy 2:20-21 GNT



"The Heavenly Father does not ask for golden vessels. He does not ask for silver vessels. God asks for yielded vessels – those who submit their will to the will of the Father. And the greatest human attainment in all the world is for a life to be so surrendered to Him that the name of God Almighty will be glorified through that life."

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## Ask for Much, Wait for the Outpouring

### Charles Finney 1792-1875



Leader in the Second Great Awakening Founder, Oberlin College Leader in the Abolitionist Movement

### On a Sunday evening in 1821:

"As I went in and shut the door after me, it seemed as if I met the Lord Jesus Christ face to face...I have always since regarded this as a most remarkable state of mind; for it seemed to me a reality, that He stood before me, and I fell down at His feet and poured out my soul to Him. I wept aloud like a child, and made such confessions as I could with a choked utterance. It seemed to me that I bathed His feet with my tears; and yet I had no distinct impression that I touched Him, that I recollect.