

## “When the Lord Does a New Thing” 當神做新事時

What keeps us from seeing what God wants to do?

*<sup>16</sup>This is what the Lord says – he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, <sup>17</sup>who drew out the chariots & horses, the army & reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: <sup>18</sup>“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. <sup>19</sup>See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness & streams in the wasteland.”*  
Isaiah 賽 43:16-19

The greatest obstacle for us to seeing what God is doing is focusing  
\_\_\_\_\_ on what he used to do \_\_\_\_\_.

Forget not his faithfulness but forget \_\_\_\_\_ the form \_\_\_\_\_ it came in.

God’s character does not change but \_\_\_\_\_ his way of doing things \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ will change.

Remember the past but \_\_\_\_\_ do not live \_\_\_\_\_ in the past.

Isaiah says, this time, the Lord will not make a way thru the waters,  
\_\_\_\_\_ he will make a way in the wilderness \_\_\_\_\_.

*And David inquired of the Lord, “Shall I go up against the Philistines? Will you give them into my hand?” And the Lord said to David, “Go up, for I will certainly give the Philistines into your hand.”*  
2 Samuel 撒下 5:19

*And when David inquired of the Lord, he said, “You shall not go up; go around to their rear, and come against them opposite the balsam trees.”*  
2 Samuel 撒下 5:23

\_\_\_\_\_ It was a different strategy \_\_\_\_\_ to deal with the same enemy/location.

*<sup>16</sup>“No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse. <sup>17</sup>Neither do people pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst; the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.”*  
Matthew 太 9:16-17

The new work of God can’t be contained in \_\_\_\_\_ old or outdated forms \_\_\_\_\_.

## 1. GOD ORCHESTRATES THE CHANGE, \_\_\_\_\_ NOT US

神策劃改變, 而不是我們

We don’t begin with \_\_\_\_\_ what we think \_\_\_\_\_ needs to be changed.

*<sup>19</sup>“Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does. <sup>20</sup>For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, and he will show him even greater works than these, so that you will be amazed.”*  
John 約 5:19-20

Old mindsets will not be able to handle \_\_\_\_\_ new & needed changes \_\_\_\_\_ from God \_\_\_\_\_.

New wineskins mean \_\_\_\_\_ a readiness \_\_\_\_\_ for the new things of God.

Change is the \_\_\_\_\_ non-negotiable cause/consequence \_\_\_\_\_ of renewal.

Non-biblically mandated traditions keep us \_\_\_\_\_ from being renewed \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2. KEEP IN STEP WITH \_\_\_\_\_ THE SPIRIT \_\_\_\_\_ 與聖靈同步

*Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.* Gal. 加 5:25

*<sup>6</sup>Paul and his companions traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia. <sup>7</sup>When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to. <sup>8</sup>So they passed by Mysia and went down to Troas. <sup>9</sup>During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” <sup>10</sup>After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.*  
Acts 徒 16:6-10

Not just the what that is important but also the \_\_\_\_\_ how and when \_\_\_\_\_.

## 3. RENEWAL LEADS TO \_\_\_\_\_ MISSION \_\_\_\_\_ 更新到使命

It leads us to being a \_\_\_\_\_ loving presence of Christ in our neighborhoods.

*<sup>37</sup>“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” <sup>38</sup>This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup>And the second is like it: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”*  
Matthew 太 22:37-39