

THE PATH TO GLORY

Lessons on the True Church, Humble
Leadership, and Seeing the King



The Fork in the Road: Distinguishing Wheat from Tares

How do we distinguish the true church from the false?



- ‘The true church is not an institution but a place defined by the manifest presence of the Lord. The wheat and tares are mixed together and will not be separated until the end.’
- ‘Many true ‘sojourners’ are currently in the false church, like David serving the house of Saul, an experience that prepares them.’
- ‘The mature look beyond what God is merely blessing to what He is *inhabiting*. Many worship the things of God (truth, worship itself) instead of the God of all things.’

“The way we find the true church is not by looking for the church, but by looking for the Lord. If the temple is receiving all of the attention then it can only be because the **Lord is not in it.**”

The Reluctant Leader

Why are you so uncomfortable with leadership?

- True spiritual leadership is a burden undertaken out of obedience, not personal ambition or comfort. It is about steering people toward their destiny, often in a hidden way.
- The primary mission is to prepare the way for the Lord by preparing His people for Him. Drawing attention to oneself is a failure of this mission.

“If my ministry is getting more attention than the Lord is, I should be concerned that I have departed from my main purpose... I am doing this out of obedience, but it's not comfortable.”

— Minion Winnings





The Gift of Inadequacy

Feeling inadequate is a spiritual asset, not a liability. It is the very condition that forces a leader to constantly lean on and trust in God's strength rather than their own.

Accepting inadequacy is essential; starting to feel adequate is when a leader becomes dangerous. No person is capable of their calling without God's help.

"I was told that feeling inadequate is a good thing and that if I ever started feeling adequate then I would be dangerous... Feeling constantly inadequate makes you learn to lean on and trust in the Lord, to constantly seek Him."



“The Vision of the King”

Core Concept: An encounter with the glory of God (‘the King’) is the ultimate humbling experience. It eradicates the fear of man and destroys self-importance. In His presence, all other status and power become insignificant.

Key Quote: “I have seen the King, and it’s hard to be impressed by anyone when you have seen Him... In the presence of the Lamb even the twenty-four elders cast their crowns at His feet. Who could presume to be worthy of glory or attention in His presence?”



Seeing with an Unveiled Face

The purpose of the path is to strip away our internal 'veils'—our facades, pretenses, and selfish ambitions. Only with an unveiled face can we see God's glory clearly and be transformed into His image. Seeing Him with veils on results in a distorted view.

This path will humble us all. If you stay on this path your veils, facades, pretenses, and selfish ambition will be removed. Then we can see His glory. When we see His glory with an unveiled face, we will be changed into His same image.



THE MANIFEST PRESENCE: A CONSUMING FIRE

Being in God's manifest presence is the deepest yearning of the human heart, an experience nothing on earth can satisfy. This encounter can range from a subtle gentleness to an overwhelming intensity, like a "nuclear fire." This fire is not anger but holiness—a purifying force that is both painful and wonderful beyond description. It "hurts good."

Key Quote: "I've felt His presence like a nuclear fire... It was both painful and wonderful beyond description. I've had to beg Him to leave me at times because it was too much for me to take. I was too carnal to stay in His presence long and not be consumed."

THE GREATEST PRIZE OF THE JOURNEY

The journey's greatest reward is not power, renown, or even spiritual gifts, but intimacy with God. To be close to Him and to bring Him joy is a prize worth any price, making any suffering endured along the way seem insignificant.

Key Quote: "The greatest reward we could ever receive is to be close to Him... To bring Him joy for one moment is worth a lifetime of suffering many times over. When you see Him you will understand this."



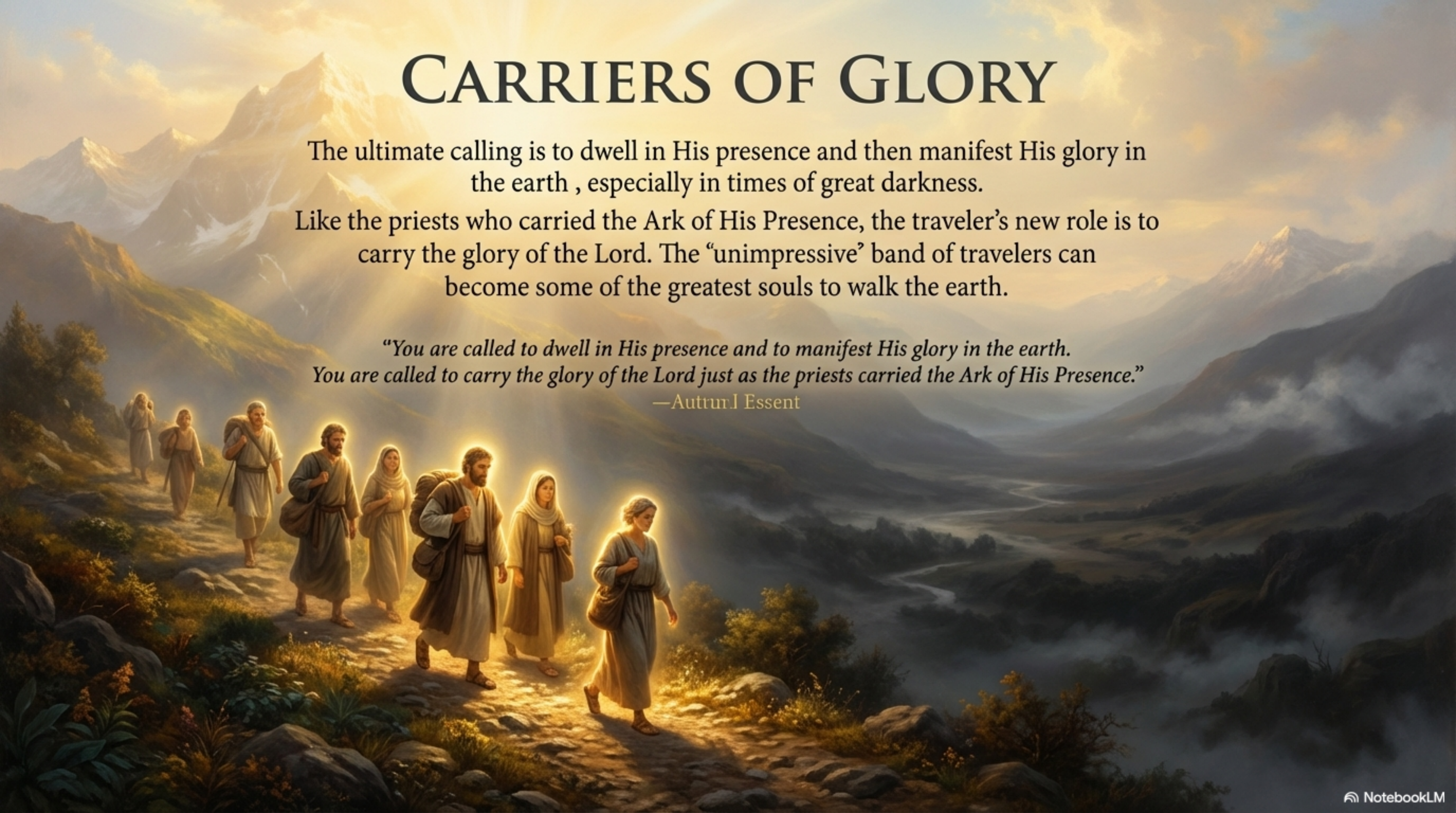
CARRIERS OF GLORY

The ultimate calling is to dwell in His presence and then manifest His glory in the earth , especially in times of great darkness.

Like the priests who carried the Ark of His Presence, the traveler's new role is to carry the glory of the Lord. The "unimpressive" band of travelers can become some of the greatest souls to walk the earth.

*"You are called to dwell in His presence and to manifest His glory in the earth.
You are called to carry the glory of the Lord just as the priests carried the Ark of His Presence."*

—Autrum I Essent



A painting of a bush of fire, with green leaves and a bright, glowing orange and yellow fire behind it. The bush is on a sandy, rocky ground. In the foreground, a pair of brown sandals lies on the sand, with footprints leading towards the bush. The background is a hazy, golden light, suggesting a divine presence.

SEEING GOD IN EVERYTHING

With opened eyes, God's glory is all around us. We are not just looking *for* Him, but looking *at* Him.

Creation is God's "second book." We can see Him in nature, in every experience, and in one another.

Every person is a "letter from God to the rest of us."

'Earth is crammed with heaven, and every common bush afire with God; but only he who sees takes off his shoes—the rest sit round it and pluck berries.'

THE ANSWER TO “WHY?”

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“The answer is that we are here to see Him, know Him, love Him, become like Him, and to reveal Him. If we do this we will be the most successful human beings to ever walk the earth.”

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BECOME
LIKE HIM

REVEAL HIM

AND WE HAVE JUST BEGUN

This profound path is not an ending, but an invitation to an ongoing adventure.

There is no greater cause and no greater journey.

“There is no greater cause than His, and there is no greater adventure than the path you are all on. And we have just begun.”

