

FIRSTFRUITS THANKSGIVING

THE UNFAIR ADVANTAGE: 8 FEBRUARY 2026

Introduction

When I first heard of the Firstfruits Thanksgiving from my Mum – she was in PMB at the time – I was skeptical and dismissed it as another fad of the Charismatic Church to enrich itself. Then in 2010 I heard the teachings and did the research and found it be compelling. In 2011 I met the leadership and we interrogated the Scriptures and there was consensus that it is a timeless spiritual principle in God. I started practicing by offering one's week wages to the Lord and then we introduced it to the Church and several embraced it. However, I did it mechanically for several years until the revelation began to unfold and I was able to capture the spirit of Firstfruits. **The spirit of the Firstfruit is Honour!** Honouring God as FIRST! Why? **Father is the SOURCE (Progenitor) of Everything = All Creation proceeds out of the Extravagant Love of the Father.**

Now, here is the challenge of Firstfruits: **To honour God as FIRST you must deny Self and embrace a lifestyle of Selfless living.** That is tough for the flesh – it will fight you tooth and nail. Why did Cain kill Abel? **Fight over the Firstfruit!** Instead of dealing with the flesh, he eliminated Abel. **Genesis 4:2b-5**, 'Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. ³ And in the process of time (convenience) it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the Lord. ⁴ Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the Lord respected Abel and his offering, ⁵ but He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell' [NKJV]. Cain should have confronted the flesh/carnality in him and God would have celebrated Cain. But instead, he goes after righteous Abel.

Let me make a significant comment here in passing – one of the marks of **the mature son is that he recognizes when the flesh is aroused/agitated and he confronts it head on**. Messy/bloody/painful! The under-developed son will like Cain instead targets someone else and appease the flesh. Last week's gathering would rank for me at the top, for a catalogue of reasons. Nothing spectacular but weighty in spirit. Most outstanding feature was for the first time the spirit of mammon that antagonizes the spirit of honour was broken over this house. Affirmed by the Lord. It was extremely hot but there was a powerful lingering presence of the Father.

Here is what I want to impress upon your heart by the Spirit: When God is honoured as First in our lives through the offering of the Firstfruits, God elevates what is common/ordinary/natural into that which is sacred/supernatural/holy. God breathes grace into the everyday ordinary so that sons have an unfair advantage for the kingdom's sake! See **Romans 11:16** NLT.

1 Kings 17:8-16, 'Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, ⁹ "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. See, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you." ¹⁰ So he arose and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the city, indeed a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her & said, "Please bring me a little water in a cup, that I may drink." ¹¹ As she was going to get it, he called to her

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and said, “Please bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.”¹² So she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I do not have bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil in a jar; and see, I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.”¹³ And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first, and bring it to me; and afterward make some for yourself and your son.”¹⁴ For thus says the Lord God of Israel: ‘The bin of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil run dry, until the day the Lord sends rain on the earth.’”¹⁵ So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for many days.¹⁶ The bin of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry, according to the word of the Lord which He spoke by Elijah’ [NKJV]

- Elijah is directed to this specific widow even though, according to Jesus in Luke 4 there were several in Israel. Yet He is sent to her – a Gentile woman. Clearly, like the Syrophenician mother, she believed in Yahweh for a miracle. Reminds me of Cornelius and the visit by Peter in Acts 10. **Christian widows lacked in faith, but a Gentile woman is calling on the name of the Lord** – how ironic is that?
- Notice that Elijah requests water and she complies immediately! But hold on – that is not a big deal! It is if you understand they are in a drought for several years and more to come. So, **releasing the water is a matter of life and death for herself and her family.** Releasing water is like releasing Gold!
- Elijah then pushes it and asks for a piece of bread to go with the water. **She pauses and explains her plight.** This is our last meal after which we must starve to death like the others...
- **What Elijah says next is critical:** **Firstly**, he addresses the spirit – spirit of fear. God is not given us a SPIRIT of fear! Always address spirit – infirmity! Pause and allow the Spirit of God to pierce our hearts. **There are only two factors that can force you or inspire you to do anything.** One is the power of love and the other is the compulsion of fear. **Fear will keep you from trust and obedience!** It is the landmine in our mindset and mentalities. Perfect love casts out the fear of man, money, lack and the future.
Secondly, when he hears of her plight – he ups the ante. Make we **a CAKE first** and then take care of yourself and your son. Interestingly he uses two different words in Hebrew. **He upgrades the common ‘Lechem’ and to the special ‘Uggah.’** If you track that word, ‘Uggah,’ it appears in **Genesis 18:6**, when God visited Abraham and released the prophetic promise of a son to a couple of old age; **Exodus 12:39**, when the Passover flight from Egypt is celebrated; and **1 Kings 19:6**, where the angel provides cake for Elijah prepared on hot stones that sustained him for 40 days and nights. In other words, this one you are baking is infused with the grace and the power of God.
- **Noticed that she and her family ate until the drought was over.** The flour and the oil never ran out. Please help me here ladies: From a kg of flour, how many average size scones can you get? And roti? What if it went to 100 scones, then 200, 300? What would you say to that? It was elevated through the grace of God from being natural (limited) to supernatural (unlimited). The heaven’s unlimited can impose itself of the earth’s limited when God is FIRST! Christ offers 5 loaves and 2 fish to the Father and it feeds 5000 men. Hence, God can redeem time! He breathes his grace – unfair advantage in sons!

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Conclusion

This is what makes communion so powerful. It elevates ordinary bread and wine infused with the grace of God to become holy, supernatural and miraculous. Do you know what happened when Jesus broke bread with the 2 disciples of Emmaus? Scales miraculously fell from their eyes and they saw spiritually. How is this possible? Because Christ the Firstfruits (**1 Corinthians 15:23**) was offered to the Father as Holy – all those who come after Him (Harvest) is elevated by Grace!

Let us get prepare for the Table of the Lord.

After Communion

1 Chronicles 29:10-16 NLT