OVERVIEW BRIEF

- The Realities of Self's Utter Inadequacy
- Countering Sovereign Decree & Divine Impartations
- The Absolute Surety of Divine Aims & Objectives

The clear portrait of the divine interchange that transpired between the holy prophet and the Lord on this pivotal occasion of his formal commission, plainly instructs us about the true fundamental, spiritual dynamics that are always actively in motion that pertains the spiritual stewardship service of "the redeemed."

One premier point that is promptly highlighted is the valid acknowledgement of the complete inadequacy realized by the servant when confronted with daunting challenge the divine commission for which he was intentionally selected.

Observe, before Jeremiah accepted his appointed assignment (like Moses also did, centuries earlier), he lodged an immediate protest regarding his inability to successfully assume the mantel of prophetic service which he was being given.

Yet, upon listening to his passionate and valid complaint, the Lord promptly countered by openly and more broadly disclosing to him the higher sovereign overview of the true conditions under which this established divine venture would unfold.

Moreover, the Lord plainly and explicitly explained in **verse 10a** that He alone is the supreme initiator and overseer of that which has decreed by His Word. He explained to the young prophet: "See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms."

Then, having guided him through a mentoring exercise of the first prophetic vision pertaining to the pending future path of his people, he issued a timeless spiritual truth principle that has yet remained fully applicable across the centuries up to our present contemporary era.

Namely, the Lord authoritatively cited regarding the *immutable* truthfulness and *effectual* essence of His Holy Word in verse 12: "Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it."

Hence, He reminded His servant that he could stand in the place of complete assurance regarding his holy commission; especially since the Lord promised him in **verse 8b**: "for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the LORD."



SOURCE TEXT: Jeremiah 1:8-10, 12; Isaiah 55:11

JEREMIAH 1:8 Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the LORD.

⁹ Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.

¹⁰ See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant.

12 Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.

Isaiah 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

EMPOWERED FOR SERVICE

The ambassador is armed with the authority of his master and backed by his master's power. The prophet is sent by God with God's authority. All who are working God's will are similarly supported by God's authority.

When we are weak in ourselves we may become strong in him (2 Cor. 12:10). Pulpit

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