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1 Samuel 3:20

"And all Israel from Dan even to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established to be a prophet of the LORD." 1 Samuel 3:20

An idea is not enough to begin a ministry. Nor will a compassionate sympathy sustain a ministry. "Except the LORD build the house, they labor in vain that build it, except the LORD keep the city, the watchman stays awake in vain." (Psalm 127:1)

Lasting impact in ministry is accomplished by a continual acknowledgement that "I can of my own self do nothing." (John 5:30.) Reliance upon the Greater One indwelling the believer is the key to lasting ministry that manifest the Kingdom of God. A moment by moment reliance upon His abilities and leading brings success; a success that is first approved by Heaven and then and only then, seen and validated by men.

"And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us; establish the work of our hands, yes the work of our hands establish it." (Psalm 90:17). You see, unless God's beauty, that is, His favor and His hand of blessing rests upon us, all that we may attempt, even in our good intentions, will be at best temporary.

Lord, establish in me at which is eternal!

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