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Ezekiel 2:3 – 8

“And He said to me, “Son of man, I am sending you... to a rebellious nation... don’t be not afraid of them, nor be afraid of their words, ... or be dismayed by their looks. You shall speak My words to them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear: for they are most rebellious. But you, son of man, hear what I will say to you. Don’t you be rebellious like that rebellious house...” Ezekiel 2:3 – 8

When sense knowledge is taken as the final arbitrator; judgments made are only partial truths if not outright illusions. It is true that we take in our understanding of the world around us by our five senses, but we must understand, especially when dealing with people, only the Lord knows what is in their hearts, “for the LORD sees not as man sees, for man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” (1 Samuel 16:7)

Never base the effectiveness of your ministry or the sharing of your Christian testimony upon the outward appearances of men – especially the look on their faces or even their body language. If you are speaking God’s Word and declaring what He has done in your life His promise is that it will not return void and that it will accomplish that for which He pleases and that it will prosper for His purposes. (Isaiah 55:11; Philemon 6).

Obey God’s voice! Tell what you know and have experienced. Leave the results to God. Guard your own heart from the spirit that is at work in those you’ve been sent to minister to and among!

Have you been afraid of the faces of the people? Have you withheld the Word of the Lord for fear of how men might respond?

“Father, I repent for the fears, specifically the fear of man that has kept me from speaking Your Word in boldness and with conviction! I receive Your mercy and Your inner strengthening now to obey You and to proclaim Your Word even in the face of a rebellious people. In Jesus’ name! Amen.”

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