



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF THE WORD

NO LIMITS

∞ Achieving Your God Potential ∞

LESSON OUTLINE

EPHESIANS 1:17-19 TALKS ABOUT "HAVING THE EYES OF YOUR HEART FLOODED WITH LIGHT." TONY SCOTT SPEAKS ABOUT HOW FLOODING OUR LIVES WITH GOD'S GLORY, LOVE, AND MERCY ALLOWS BELIEVERS TO EMBRACE ALL THAT HE DESIRES FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL'S LIFE. "YOUR MINDSET DETERMINES YOUR LIFE SET!"

"[For I always pray to] the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, that He may grant you a spirit of wisdom and revelation [of insight into mysteries and secrets] in the [deep and intimate] knowledge of Him, by having the eyes of your heart flooded with light, so that you can know and understand the hope to which He has called you, and how rich is His glorious inheritance in the saints (His set-apart ones), and [so that you can know and understand] what is the immeasurable and unlimited and surpassing greatness of His power in and for us who believe, as demonstrated in the working of His mighty strength."

- Ephesians 1:17-19 (AMPC)

Introduction: People see what they expect to see in life. Then they feel what they expect to feel from life. To live a “No Limits” life and experience one’s highest potential, one must raise his/her expectations. A person’s mindset determines his/her life set.

1. Expectation – Human Ability vs. Divine Ability

- A. The choices that you make create your expectation; therefore, expectation must be a habit and not just an act.
- B. Expectation must be the fabric of your life.
- C. Your choice in living life is simple human ability OR Divine ability working through human ability.
- D. Through human ability taking on Divine ability, you can live a much HIGHER life. God will work through you His will, plan, and purpose for you.
- E. Life comes to you in measure.

You are given a measure of knowledge, faith, love, and strength.

2. Human Ability – A Life of Measure

- A. A measure of knowledge
 - 1. Comes sometimes without your choosing
 - 2. No one knows everything - only a measure of things.
- B. A measure of wisdom
 - 1. Wisdom is the proper use of knowledge.

“If any of you is deficient in wisdom, let him ask of the giving God [Who gives] to everyone liberally and ungrudgingly, without reproaching or faultfinding, and it will be given him.”

- James 1:5 (AMPC)

C. A measure of faith

“For by the grace (unmerited favor of God) given to me I warn everyone among you not to estimate and think of himself more highly than he ought [not to have an exaggerated opinion of his own importance], but to rate his ability with sober judgment, each according to the degree of faith apportioned by God to him.”

- Romans 12:3 (AMPC)

D. A measure of love

E. A measure of strength

3. Divine Ability Coming into Human Ability – A Life *Without Measure*

A. God’s life is without measure; it is endless.

B. God is infinite, and believers will never get to the end of Him.

C. Jesus came to demonstrate Divine ability working through human ability.

D. Jesus is fully God.

E. Jesus is fully man.

“Who, although being essentially one with God and in the form of God [possessing the fullness of the attributes which make God God], did not think this equality with God was a thing to be eagerly grasped or retained, but stripped Himself [of all privileges and rightful dignity], so as to assume the guise of a servant (slave), in that He became like men and was born a human being.”

- Philippians 2:6-7 (AMPC)

F. Jesus laid aside His right to be God while on the earth in the flesh and took on the life of the servant.

G. He lived in the flesh, by the power of the Holy Spirit to show mankind a picture of what the Divine ability operating in human ability looks like.

"I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, if anyone steadfastly believes in Me, he will himself be able to do the things that I do; and he will do even greater things than these, because I go to the Father."

- John 14:12 (AMPC)

- H. Jesus went to live with the Father and left believers in charge.
- I. He is willing to come into your human ability with His Divine ability and make your life more than you ever thought possible.
- J. He is willing to give you the boundless, limitless life.
- K. He is a picture of the "No Limits" man.

"[That you may really come] to know [practically, through experience for yourselves] the love of Christ, which far surpasses mere knowledge [without experience]; that you may be filled [through all your being] unto all the fullness of God [may have the richest measure of the divine Presence, and become a body wholly filled and flooded with God Himself]!"

- Ephesians 3:19 (AMPC)

- L. Jesus wants to be present in your life and bring His fullness with Him.
- M. The word "filled" has the idea of being dominated by something. When someone is filled with God (His Word, His Spirit, His power), then God will dominate his/her thoughts, speech, and actions.
- N. You are created to "be a container of God." You *contain* God in the flesh by God's choosing and your own.
- O. When you choose to accept Him and be filled with Him, all of the fullness of the Godhead is released and made available to you.

"Behold! I have given you authority and power to trample upon serpents and scorpions, and [physical and mental strength and ability] over all the power that the enemy [possesses]; and nothing shall in any way harm you."

- Luke 10:19 (AMPC)

- P. Do not make God small in the way you choose to live your life.
- Q. Do not let what you see affect what you believe, *rather* let what you believe *affect* what you see!

R. “When your heart is 100% focused on who He created you to be, your desires and creativity, as well as your energy, will be exponentially *multiplied*.”

4. Holy Tension

A. As you go after God, there will come into your life a “Holy Tension.”

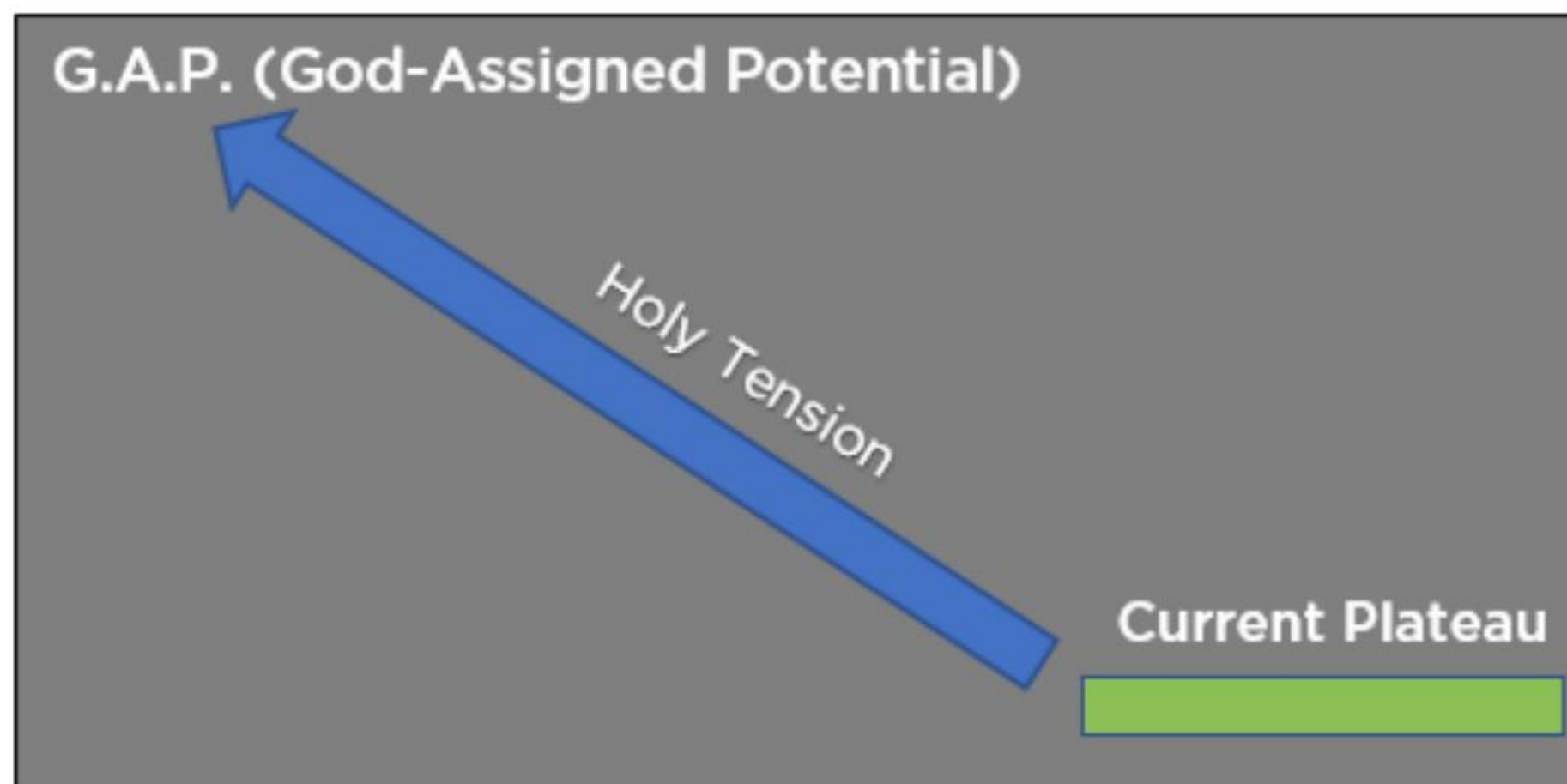
Holy Tension	
Who You Are	Who God Created You to Be
Where You Are	Where God Created You to Be
What You Are	What God Created You to Be

B. When the desire arises within you for more than what you have, to be more, to live more, and to bless more people, then doubt and/or fear will come in to argue with desire. This is when a tremor takes places within you.

C. Holy Tension is taking hold; trying to pull you out of your status quo and get you to where God wants you to live – a new phase of living.

D. Structural Tension – in the study of human behavior, Structural Tension is “your dissatisfaction with the status quo in your life increases as you see and envision a more *desired* state.”

E. This tension that mankind experiences, is not only a spiritual occurrence, but also a physical occurrence. It is not only a human thing; it is a Divine thing.



F. God has been creating a Holy Tension from the Beginning.

1. He created Holy Tension in Adam's life (Genesis 2).

a. The Tree of Life, "If you eat of this tree, you will live forever."

b. The Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, "If you eat of this tree, dying you will die."

G. Holy Tension - "The pull to the best always resisted by the status quo."

H. Holy Tension can be resisted, and it will become less, but you do not stay where you are; in actuality, you decrease.

"For whoever has [spiritual knowledge], to him will more be given and he will be furnished richly so that he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is the reason that I speak to them in parables: because having the power of seeing, they do not see; and having the power of hearing, they do not hear, nor do they grasp and understand."

- Matthew 13:12-13

I. Do NOT miss the G.A.P. (God-Assigned Potential)!

J. Holy Tension exists for *resolution*.

"The law of expectation works best when the human spirit is energized by the Holy Spirit to take **action**."

K. There is a moving of the Holy Spirit upon your gifts, talents, and abilities to allow His Divine ability to get inside your human ability, so that you can become **so much more** than you have ever been before!

1. Responding to the G.A.P. will change your life.

2. Responding to the G.A.P. will change your confidence level.

3. Responding to the G.A.P. will cause you to understand why you are here on this earth.

5. Achieving Your God-Assigned Potential

A. Commitment

1. Commitment is on the other side of the cross. It is when you pass through the cross (as Jesus did), that people know you are committed.
2. Commitment is the fuel that drives vision.

B. Focus

1. When believers focus on Him, then their lives will begin to take course on His path for them.

C. The “No Limits” life must be internalized to the depth of your being. The more it becomes a part of you, then the more energy, creativity, and passion you experience.

D. People will know you are committed by the way you speak, act, and live.

E. Moses experienced Holy Tension.

1. Moses refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, though he was next in line to rule
2. In responding to Holy Tension, Moses became the *greatest deliverer* the world has ever known besides Jesus.

F. Paul experienced Holy Tension on the road to Damascus.

1. On his way to arrest Christians, he had an epiphany and experienced Christ.
2. When Paul responded to the Holy Tension, he became the *greatest teacher* the world has ever known besides Jesus.

G. When you respond to Holy Tension, it will be wherever God has assigned you.

“GOD said to Moses, ‘Gather together seventy men from among the leaders of Israel, men whom you know to be respected and responsible. Take them to the Tent of Meeting. I’ll meet you there. I’ll come down and speak with you. I’ll take some of the Spirit that is on you and place it on them; they’ll then be able to take some of the load of this people—you won’t have to carry the whole thing alone.’”

- Numbers 11:16-17 (MSG)

- H. When you move into the G.A.P. as a “No Limit” person, then you will see resources, open doors, strength, wisdom, and a plethora of opportunities and people flooding into your life. God does not want you to live your life by yourself... He wants you to live His life!

