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**Suggested clip:** Moses had a rod. . . God gave Moses something he had deemed as nothingness to produce greatness. There's something you have in your house right now, that you think is nothing but has the power to deliver.

<u>1:14:34-1:16:50</u>

**Big Idea:** God is taking us to greater glory as we allow Him to remove veils from our lives.

**Key Quote:** "There's something you have (an idea) that you think is nothing, but has the power to deliver."

## From the Word of God:

God's Word is powerful! Open up your Bible (or your phone) and read out loud 2 Corinthians 3:18 and Exodus 14:15-18, 21-31. What do you see about God calling His people to use what they've been given for God's glory?

## From the Sermon:

- The key for 2024 is 2023, maximizing what God gave you in 2023.
- 2 Corinthians 3:18 NKJV We all have veils. If we are going to have unveiled faces, we need to recognize that we have veils.
- Veils represent 1) limitations, 2) broken mindsets, 3) areas of ignorance,
  4) demonic strongholds and restrictions, 5) family curses and cycles, 6) stagnancy, 7) living a wasted life, unfruitfulness.
- The greatest veil is to think that you don't have a veil. You will miss what God wants to do in you if you think this only applies to other people.



## From the Sermon (continued):

- Moses was comfortable in a palace, but God brought the deliverer out of hiding so that he could be the deliverer God called him to be.
- God gave Moses something he had been using for a long time (a staff) and had deemed as nothingness to produce greatness. There's something you have (an idea) that you think is nothing, but has the power to deliver.
- David was in the backside of the wilderness, taking care of sheep when he would later become the king of Israel. David's opportunity presented itself as a challenge (Goliath). In 2024, a Goliath is an opportunity for God to show Himself strong.
- Even Jesus, who was always fully God, didn't start His public ministry until the age of 30.

## **Small Group Questions:**

- This year, we are going to learn what it means to maximize! If you could maximize the fun factor of any traditionally boring activity, what would it be, and how would you make it entertaining?
- Pastor Zenzo said, "The key for 2024 is maximizing what God gave you in 2023." We can only maximize what we recognize we have. Take two minutes to take a personal inventory. What has God already given you?
- 2 Corinthians 3:8 says, "We all with unveiled face . . . " Pastor Zenzo pointed out that we all start with veils, and gave a list of seven types of veils. When have you recognized these veils at work in your own life? How did they affect your ability to serve God at your full capacity?
- If you feel comfortable, share with the group something you already have (like Moses' staff) that God may want to use. There is both vulnerability and power in sharing. Afterward, pray that God would use each person and the gifts He has given to maximize His glory in the earth!