



Your Story Can Change the World

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Hey friends, Doug Addison! Welcome to another *Spirit Connection* podcast. June 24th, 2020.

And we are entering into a divine opportunity. Divine season happening right now. You'll wanna take advantage of this time, you know, with the pandemic of COVID-19. We're in a time in which the internet is taking a new role in our lives, relationships, work, worship ... You name it! Stuff's happening right now. And so, I wanna show you how you can align with this time, and how you can reap in the midst of downturns.

But Lord, we want to continue to pray for that release of the healing anointing and the medical cures that are safe for the coronavirus, for COVID-19. We want to take authority over the spirit of death, over sickness, over just economic crashes. And Lord, You spoke to me that on June 7 that this is released from Heaven, and now we're in a season of the next 7 weeks and 7 months as we're gonna see things take place. So we that we come into agreement with that. Continue to pray for the first responders, for the medical people and those who have lost loved ones. We continue to pray, Lord, that You bring peace to our streets, and pray for the injustices to stop, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Well, outside of everything going on in the world right now, God is using this right now. I mean, you can align yourself. That's what I call it, where you make some adjustments

and you gotta get step-by-step, hand-in-hand with what God's doing. And He's using the internet right now. I've been sayin' this for a while, "Get online or get left behind." The next revival's gonna be centered around the internet. We need to be ready and set up, basically. Timing is now and, you know, we need to actually step up and not step back. Galatians 6:9, "Let us not become weary in doing good, but in the proper time you will reap a harvest if you don't give up." So the key here is ... and this is the key of transformation. Romans 12:2 is the same type of thing. You know, if you wanna know God's will, you need to transform your mind away from the world.

And today, we see the world is going towards, you know, the negativity that's happening everywhere. We see, you know, there's a lot of violence and hatred. Well, what we need to do is come into agreement with Galatians 6:9, and do not become weary in doing good! We need to do good. In due time, we will reap a harvest. That's God's Word, and I know that I've been practicing this. And in due time, I've been saying for a while, due time is here! So don't believe anything that you hear out there right now, you know, that we're going down. Just don't come into agreement with fear. And we need to step away from any negative noise and pollution that's online or it's on the news. And we need to bring a message of hope that will stand out to people.

And so, the reason you were created is coming about. My prophetic word that I released in January for the year of 2020, was about your Book of Purpose was gonna open. And if you go back and look at it on my blog, you'll see I was talking about developing the Joseph anointing or that ability to create finances for times exactly like this. God was giving me a heads-up, so we align (this is an example). We aligned back then. Even a few years ago, we started to align with what God was showing us about the internet.

So now, when the pandemic hit, yeah, we had to shift some things. But you know, we're doing good! And we were able to be a blessing in the midst of the downturn. I wanna help you right now, especially for what's coming over the next 7 months is what the Lord showed me, is that we'll be entering into a season within 7 weeks, the Gate of Joy will open. Seven weeks, by the way is July 19th, so get ready in July that joy is coming

back. Joy left the building, but joy is coming back. Also, 7 months from Pentecost which was May 31, on December 31, that area right now, we're gonna enter into a new season, and God's gonna radically shift some things.

So I want to show you how you can actually use the internet similar to what we do. And we all have a message, basically. God has given you a message. We have a storyline. What's important is that your story aligns with Heaven. In other words, you wanna be positive. You want to be the things about that Jesus talked about. About love. You'll want to develop character, align yourself with your storyline of Heaven. And then you step away from the negative things of the world, and then things will begin to shift over you.

I wanna talk a little bit about your personal storyline. I have one of them, actually. We all do! The definition of a storyline is a plot or a theme of a book or a movie. Well, think of your life. You have a plot or a theme that is going on right now, whether it's negative or positive. If you would've looked at my storyline ten years ago, it would be different to where I am now. Even five years ago, my storyline was about survival. I was really sick five years ago, but God has healed me since then. And our storyline really is expressed, you can hear it in our language, it's in our decisions. And storyline is in how we see the world. Our likes, our dislikes. And it can change by God's love and power.

So you could actually change your storyline right now. And actually, I wanted to really talk about developing a storyline, and then how you can use parts of this to get your message out to the world, or whatever it is that God's called you to. So some of the key factors that form your storyline is your upbringing, your experiences in life whether bad or good. Maybe your beliefs and values are part of that. And those are things that kind of underline ... most of us developed our beliefs system before when we were younger. And this can be changed, by the way. You do not have to deal with the hand that was dealt to you. You can change. Radically change at any time through God's love and power.

So, you know, we're always walking through a time of change. And this is an opportunity right now to stand out. You know what affects us is the environment we grew up with. Maybe you were raised by parents, teachers with certain beliefs. I'm not speaking against them. I am a parent, you know, and a teacher in a sense. So I'm a grandparent as well. But we are influenced by people around us. Our friends, our leaders. An example of my storyline that, based on some life situations, we moved ten times to three states, five schools by the time I was seven years old. Now you can see why I was a church planter, you know, I was used to moving. I was used to doing that. My storyline was impacted by that, and I had to get some healing, you know, and walk through some things. But you know, that impacted me.

And so, what I recommend ... We're in a time to get healing of any of the things, you know, that are affecting you. You know, get rid of the emotional baggage. Maybe get some healing so that your story can be redemptive. I've had difficult times in my life. If I told you the details, you would not even believe me of the tragedies we've had. You wouldn't believe me. And I used to let it bring me down, but I had to flip it around. That's why I have that thing, "flip it, and flip it good," because I've now redeemed my story. So you wanna have a redemptive story that can help others.

And as you're starting to develop this, I want you to consider this. You know, whether you wanna be a speaker or writer or not, this is not anything really to do with that, though it will help you. This is to start to recognize the themes, the common things that God is doing. And notice the themes, you know, that's going on in people around you. You know, let me just get a little practical here. Think about some speakers. Maybe if you look at 'em and think about their overall message. That's their storyline. I like Joel Osteen. I don't know if you like him or not, but you know, his theme, his storyline, is definitely "God is good." And Patricia King, good friend of mine, is "the awesomeness of God." My goodness, you get around her, and her story's always about the redemption, or the redemptive power and the awesomeness. Bill Johnson, "the Father loves you." You know, "the Father's in a good mood." So that's an example of some. Now those are speakers. It could be some businesspeople as well. So when I was starting out as a

speaker, you know, this was back in '94, you know, I had needed to develop myself. I didn't have the style I have right now.

So here's how you can do it. You know, if you wanna develop yourself in any way, for writing, speaking, this works. You can start noticing others that influence you. I found speakers that I really liked. Bill Hybels back then, you know, he was a pastor of Willow Creek Church. And he did like the lifestyle evangelism. And then Steve Sjogren, a Vineyard pastor, was another one who radically impacted me. And so, I actually developed my speaking style of my message around them. And since then, I've come up, you know, and developed my own. But you could actually do that. You could borrow other people ... I'm not gonna say steal or plagiarize, but you know, you can borrow people's understanding of things and fashion yourself around those things if you need help.

And as we're doing this, I wanna talk a little bit about ... shift gears here. One is to develop your storyline. The second thing is how to stand out or, you know, how to be positive, you know, in the world today that seems to be negative. We can communicate ... I want you to think about this, is to begin to communicate the solution instead of the problem. Mention the problem once, and then the rest of the time ... that's what I do. I mention the problem briefly. I don't talk a lot about the problem. Then I develop the solution.

Find others who are doing what you wanna do, and then you can begin to develop the specialty that God has called you to. That's really important. Develop your style. You'll want to get an authentic voice, or find your own voice. Like I said, you can borrow the style of others for a while. That's okay. Fashion yourself after that, but you'll want to be real because people are drawn today to authenticity. And I can't tell you how many people I meet who say to me they feel like they know me because I have an internet presence, and it's also because I've developed a style of speaking that connects with people. And I'm just telling you behind the scenes, you know, I'm not controlling you. I'm just saying you can do this is because people are drawn to being real. Authenticity.

So your communication style actually will help you as you go. When I speak live, I tend to be more funny. You know, I'm a comedian style. Stand-up comedy was one of the areas that I developed, and it was because I had challenges because I struggled with dyslexia at one time. Plus I had a difficult message that I was giving to the Church at the time. And so I would use comedy because you wouldn't feel the scalpel go in. But ever since I've been online, I don't really do a lot of comedy. I do bring joy, though. I open up the Gate of Joy over people, and I want you to step into this as well.

Learn to give the solution. You really wanna stand out, don't just report the problem. Today, people wanna know how to get through it! They wanna know the solution. So avoid actually having to over-prove your message and get that negativity out of things. You know what I do when I start to write a book or if I start to write something, and I feel like I have a strong negative opinion on it? I do a negativity dump. I open a document, a Word document or whatever, and I just get all my gripes out. Then I'll write about a one- or two-line synopsis of what it is that's the problem. Then I do the solution after that. That's something that I do in my life. I'm intentional about it so that I'm not just doing a negative dump on other people. And it becomes redemptive.

God's done some things in your life that He wants to redeem. He wants to take your pain and use it to help others. Now let's take this a step further about getting your message out to the world because we're now in the pandemic. We're now in the time of, you know, the internet is available to all of us. Self-publishing. You can write an ebook. You can develop videos, workbooks, study guides. It's endless what you can do right now! With self-publishing, you don't have to be an author. You can blog. You can tell your story. Get it down if you've been healed or anything. Get it down and get that out onto YouTube or some place, or Facebook, whatever.

Get that out there. And that type of thing will actually be what I'm talking about here. I'm talking about developing an online product. Or anything that would be able to, you know, take your message out to a greater level in the world. And it doesn't have to be

monetary. You can make money, that's fine. Or you can just change a lot of people's lives. Or you can do both.

And so Lord, we pray that You would open this up right now. I know there's something coming, I can feel it with people. That there's so many stories that need to get out to the world. So we pray that You would open this up and show us what our storylines is. Show us how to be positive in the negative world. And show us how to make money online so that we can be a blessing in the midst of this pandemic, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Well, I'm doing a new masterclass: [How to Develop Products and Online Courses](#). This is really powerful time for this, like a season for this right now. I've been doing this for a long time. I've been online for a long time, and so people ask me, "Well, how do you do what you do?" So I'm gonna kind of pull it back, and it's gonna be released on July 9th. You have to sign up now. It's not a live course, but we will give you live interaction. And so it's a video delivered, you know, a on-demand delivery. You have access to the web site, you know, as long as we're here. And we give you access too to our membership portal so you can go in and ask questions, you know, and ...

Well, you gotta buy it now because it's gonna be regular \$97, but right now we're gonna do it for \$47 because of the pandemic. \$47 is really unheard-of. Just go to [DougAddison.com/Develop](#) and take a look at that about how to develop online products. You don't have to have a sales pitch. But you can make some extra money or you can develop an online course. I'll just walk you through how I do things. How I'm able to fund a book before I release a book. And I develop an online course first, then I turn it into a book. I'll show you that you can actually develop things at a greater level that you never even thought was possible.

So it's an exciting time that we're in right now. Go to my website, [DougAddison.com](#). Be sure to grab my app, the [Doug Addison App](#). It's on the Google Play Store or Apple App Store. And you can follow my [Daily Prophetic Words](#) (#DailyProphetic).

I'm so excited for what's coming, and I hope that you're able to be part of our training. And just really, I feel like a shift going on right now to get ready for the next 30 days and watch God move in *amazing* ways. Not mysterious ways ... Amazing ways!

All right. See you next week.

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