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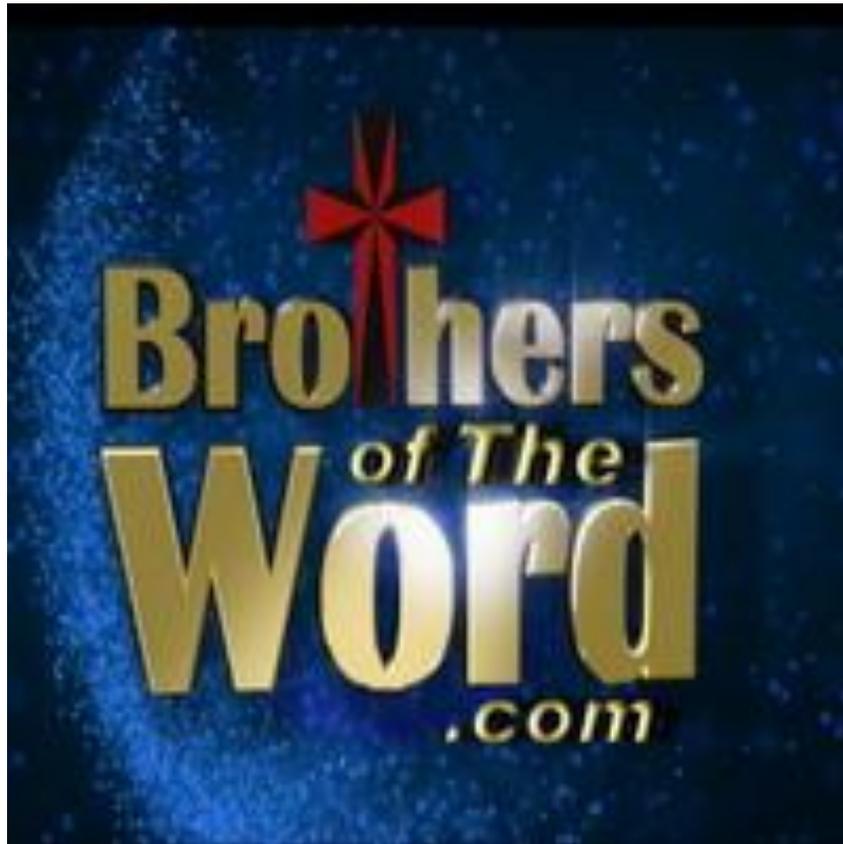
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And now for, "The Rush Won't Stop The Lashes From Coming At You."

Jamie Bronner: Welcome to Brothers of the Word because brother and sister, you need the word. So I'm going to start off with this little story that kind of happened to me and it taught me a lesson and this is where I'm getting the basis of my message from today.

So basically maybe like last week, I decided to you know, maybe get some eyelash extensions. I was like, let me just try it and you know at first when I got home, I didn't like it as much so I wanted to remove them the next day. Now, that's not how they're supposed to work. You're supposed to last for a month. So basically, I was trying everything that everyone has said to try. I tried oil, I tried lash remover, I tried everything. For two hours, nothing was working. And I'm sitting here like, why is this not working? Then I began to realize that it was not it's time to work. And I was trying to force something to work that was not going to work until later on.

So the title of my message today is, "The rush won't stop the lashes from coming at you." And I know you're like, "Lashes? What does that have to do anything?" But lashes such as attacks, such as people coming at you the wrong way, anything that is going to cause harm to you. It will not stop it if you try to rush anything. And I know for myself whenever I want to get something done and I know all of you out there, you know. Like for me, when I want to get something done, I go to every extent possible to get it done. Some of you all will go to every extent possible to get those new Jordans, you go to every extent possible to get that new purse. So I know that you guys experienced the same exact thing. You'll go through everything possible to get that result.

But what I've come to realize is, if the timing is not right, then the entire plan can turn completely wrong super fast. If you're one minute late to the sale of those Jordans, you will not get those Jordans. If you're one minute late to see your daughter or something happens, you may be too late. So if the timing is not right, it will make the plan go completely wrong.

And I want to open up today with Ecclesiastes Chapter 3 Verse 1. It says, for everything, there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven. And sometimes what I've realize is that, we tend to forget that we are under the timing of heaven. A lot of us are following the world's time and we're following the world's command and we forget that when we are a part of something bigger than us, bigger than the world, that something has to be different. And you're all thinking, "Well, you know, I'm spending the right time of God. I'm doing everything he's asked me to do but nothing is happening right now. Nothing is coming to pass. What I want to happen is not happening right now." And I was thinking the same thing when I was trying to get these lashes off. I'm like, nothing is happening right now. I'm spending all this time. I'm doing exactly what I need to do but nothing is happening right now.

Now, if I would have did this three weeks later, it would have fell right off. Everything would have went according to plan. But since the timing was not right, nothing that I wanted to happen would happen. And we begin to wonder, "Okay. Well, when is it going to happen? When is this thing that I've been wanting going to happen? Like why do I feel like I need it now?" But you got to realize is that sometimes we look through the wrong lens and when we're looking through a lens, sometimes we can't see the distance. We can't see the distance in between so we start to think that it's closer than it is and we be try to rush to get to it when we're not going anywhere.

And like humans, I know for me and all these other people, you compare yourself to other people's journeys, other people's successes and you think, "Well, am I running out of time like do I have time." And you've got to realize that the person who created time is on our side. He can pause and stop time. He can make things happen in such a little amount of time that we can't even comprehend. So we start rushing and feel like we're in a hurry. But if we all have God attached to us and he's sitting behind us waiting and sitting and we're trying to run, we will

not go anywhere. We are pushing all that we have going somewhere that God is not ready for us to go and eventually you'll get tired. Eventually, you'll feel like I'm pushing, I'm pushing and nothing is happening. What is going on? But God is still sitting there waiting.

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So eventually, what happens is, we get discouraged. We start to think, "Well, you know, it's just not going to work so let me stop trying." But whenever God is with you and he's attached to you and he starts running faster than you could ever imagine, he starts pulling you and that is when that blessing comes. That is when you start to be pulled in a direction that you can't even comprehend. You're just moving faster and faster without you having to do so much work. And God knows our entire path. He knows every moment that we need to go through and we try to rush it ourselves trying to get there faster when he himself is not ready for that.

So in Acts 1 Verse 7, it states, "He said to them, it is not for you to know the times or seasons that the father has fixed by his own authority." And we become so worried about God's plan. We like, "Okay, I don't know what God is doing like I'm a little bit nervous, I'm scared but we're so confident in our own plan. We think, "Oh, because I know my plan, it entails that it's going to work." But we worry about God's plan, the person who knows it all, the person who can change things like that, we become so worried about it.

And for those of you out there, I know some of you guys you know, you've had your own plan and you know God's plan and you decided to choose your own plan and how did that work out for you so far? Yeah, you can just ask around. I'm pretty sure everyone in here has followed their own plan. And when we want to take control, we're at a disadvantage because number one, we can't see the future nor can we change it the way we think we can. Number two, we cannot always align things how we want it to be. Yes, we can make a plan. Yes, we can try to execute it the best way that we possibly can but there are certain things that may pop up that we cannot understand. And number three, God is always bigger, better and knows everything better than us.

So therefore, we are at a disadvantage whenever we try to keep taking control back from God. And that's a lot of our you know hardest part is actually letting go of that control factor and completely, completely surrendering everything that you have to God and stop trying to rush God. Because God, he has his own time and that we just will never know. He's been waiting for you to stop trying to take control from him. He's still sitting waiting and you're running a marathon not going anywhere. He's still sitting and waiting because he knew that if he was going to bring something unpleasant into your life and if we have control over our lives, we're going to try everything possible to get out of that situation or to try to make it a positive one.

But I can tell you now that not all blessings just come with blessings. There have been so many instances in the Bible where the blessing didn't come until after the disaster. The blessing didn't come until they went through something that they did not want to go through. If it was their choice, they would have avoided, avoided, avoided it at all costs. So God understands that for us, we put a limit on the things that we can do and we begin to doubt ourselves. So God knows that he has to put us through some things to make us stronger so that when that blessing comes, we're able to keep it, we're able to multiply and make it better than what it originally came as.

And like Jesus had to die before he became, mind you, he became a blessing for us. He wasn't doing it for himself. He wasn't doing it for anything else but us and for God. So sometimes a blessing isn't always about you. You could be that blessing for somebody so the things that you go through, don't think about it as just for yourself. Abraham had to wait, wait and wait. God told him he was going to have generations to come. His descendants wasn't even going to be able to match the amount of stars in the sky. Mind you, he didn't have a son. Yeah. He's like, what, how? So he had to wait. He had to try to just keep his faith in God before he got that blessing. And his full blessing didn't even come until after he died.

So you don't know where the blessing may be coming from. And so, are you ready to take those lashes or the attacks? All the disasters that may come into your life, are you ready to go through that? Before you guys keep asking God, "Hey God, can I get this blessing, can I get that, are you ready to go through the things to get that blessing? Because everything does not just

come with just one good thing. A lot of the things, you're giving up something, you're sacrificing something to get another thing. And we tend to think that just because we can't see the results right now that they're not going to ever come. We tend to think that with the things that we go through, we're going to be stuck in there forever.

And you know, we stop trying and we feel like we have to keep control so that we know the outcome. But whenever we give God the control, everything else that we've been worried about, everything that we don't know what the outcome is going to be, we can just keep going. And the lashes are for a reason that none of us may be able to comprehend or explain right now.

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But just showing up, giving that effort, each and every day God is seeing that. He's seeing you praying every night. He's seeing you wake up and reading your Bible. He's seeing you crying at night. He's seeing everything that you're doing. He's appreciating it and you're thinking that right now, nothing is happening. Right now, I haven't seen the blessing that God has for my life. But you're looking at the wrong timing.

And in 1 John Chapter 2 Verse 17, it states, "And the world is passing away along with its desires but whoever does the will of God abides forever." And sometimes forever may not be when you're alive. We tend to think of the desires that we have now. It says, the world's desires are going to perish so the desires that we have now are not going to last. So meaning, this life is not going to last but the things you're doing now is going to count forever. And we get so caught up in the in between now and forever and we tend to forget that when we keep going, we will eventually get to that forever place of God and that may not be honestly until you die. That may not be until you enter into the kingdom of heaven and God gives you everything that you desire plus more. He's giving you the peace of mind and the peace of heart.

So I just want you to just don't get discouraged for those of you out there who feel like you have to rush through life right now. You have to rush because I know myself God is teaching me stuff. I was trying to rush through things. I felt like life was moving faster than I was but sometimes, you need to take a step

back and look at God's plan. Look at what he has for you because if you keep rushing, you keep rushing, you're going to get tired. You're not going to have any energy for when it is time when God wants to bless you and God wants to do the things you've been wanting to do because it was no accident that you have those feelings of wanting to push and push and push but just this may not be the right timing.

So for those of you who've been waiting on your blessing. you got to get ready for those lashes, you got to get ready for those attacks, all those things that might come at you, you have to be ready so that God can bless you. Amen. That's all I have for you guys today and I hope you were able to get something out of this message today.

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