Recoding The Brain – Part 13

(Supernatural Neural Pathways)

Review: You have a spiritual mind that you received when you were born again. It is a spiritual mind created in the image of Christ. It is capable of understanding the things of God. You also have a natural gray-matter brain that functions more like a calculator or a computer. It is a good tool and very useful, but it is limited to the things of this natural world. The Bible says the natural mind cannot understand the things of God. Being double minded is when you are caught between those two minds. Let not the double minded man think he will receive anything of the Lord.

The subtitle of today's lesson is "Supernatural Neural Pathways." The Lord said to me one day, "Son, you know you have dendrites that were caused by supernatural intervention." I said, "No, Lord, I didn't know that." The Lord gave me more understanding by taking me to Romans chapters four and five, talking about Abraham. It has everything to do with godly hope.

Romans 5:1-5 KJV Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: [2] By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. [3] And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that <u>tribulation</u> worketh patience; [4] And patience, experience; and experience, hope: [5] And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

For this lesson today, the "hope" we are focusing on is Joel's army, where all of us are going to be used supernaturally by God to do the same works Jesus Christ did. Joe Public and Mary Wallpaper will cast out devils in the name of Jesus. They will speak with new tongues. They will lay hands on the sick and see them recover. This is supernatural. This cannot happen without co-laboring with God.

First, you obtain hope from the written word of God, or from a rhema word God speaks to you personally. Ah, I have hope. This is how it shall be. And then, trouble comes. Resistance through circumstances to make it look impossible for that "hope" to ever be manifested.

First there is hope. Then there are tribulations, problems, resistance. The next thing in the sequence is patience. Stay the course. Don't surrender. Don't lose hope. Hang on to what God said. Patience means endurance. The first prophecy ever given at the Prayer Center in Tulsa was titled, "Endurance Is The Key."

Patience, if you don't give up, produces experience. Experience means ... you have it. You can touch it. The money came. The pain left. The revival manifested in your service. Signs and wonders. Whatever the "hope" was when you started, suddenly it has become your "experience." Listen carefully ... when the experience happens, neural pathways are created in your natural gray-matter brain. It believes what it sees, what it touches, what it tastes ... etc. When the hope becomes "experience" ... the gray-matter records that in a neural pathway of the brain.

And then experience produces hope for the next thing. I remember one minister say, in the early days he could barely believe God for one hundred dollars. But after he spent forty years serving God, walking with God, and learning to trust God, he said it was easier now for him to believe God for a million dollars now than it was to believe God for one hundred dollars in the beginning. Why? What causes that? Look at the sequence given in these verses again.

- 1. First comes hope from God's written or spoken word.
- 2. Then trouble. Resistance will come to make it look impossible.
- 3. Then you patiently endure and do not surrender.
- 4. Then you will experience the thing hoped for. You have it.
- 5. Then you are ready to receive hope for the next thing God wants to do.

God gave Sue and me instructions when we started the ministry that were different from how we had seen other any ministry operate. He said to give everything away free, don't include return envelopes, don't send appeal letters, and to never let any human know of any of our personal needs or the needs of the ministry. He told us if we would obey Him, then He would speak to the hearts of the people He chose to support us and the needs of the ministry. He has been faithfully doing that for over twenty-five years.

In the early days my gray-matter brain said that would not work. Other people, who loved us, told us they were not sure it would work either. We chose to obey

what we heard and let me tell you ... trouble came. Doubts came from my natural brain like machine gun bullets telling me how this would end in failure. And the circumstances lined up against us also. It sure "looked like" it wasn't going to work. It was a time of "tribulation" ... trouble! We had to patiently endure and not disobey any of the instructions we had received and ... after a period of time ... we had experience. And then another experience. Our finances began to change. Every time that happened another dendrite neural pathway was created in our brains.

Our hope came from what God said to us. If you obey Me in this, then I will do that, and you will be okay financially. We had "hope" of a successful ministry because of what God said to us. That is no different than how Abraham and Sarah received hope from God.

Romans 4:17-21 KJV (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were. [18] Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations; according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be. [19] And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara's womb: [20] He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; [21] And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

Previously, God had taken Abram outside the tent, had him look up at the stars and asked if he could count them. Then God said to Abram, "So shall thy seed be." That is HOPE. That is the image God placed in Abraham's mind. God told him he would have so many descendants nobody will be able to count them. They had a vision. They had hope. But there was trouble because Sarah had always been barren. Abram was 99 years old, and his wife was 90 when God said she would have a baby.

They had godly hope, but circumstances were telling them it was impossible. Sarah was not ovulating anymore. We know that Abram was not the hot rod he was in his youth because Sarah asked if she would receive pleasure again from her old husband. In the natural realm, there was no hope at all. The only hope they had was

based on what God had said. Only by believing what God said was there any hope of them producing a child.

I so admired the faith of Abraham staggering not at the promise of God, not being moved by the impossible circumstances, and being fully persuaded that what God had promised, He was able to perform. Wow! I was so embarrassed that I was not like that in the beginning. But then I found out, neither was Abram when he started either. Both Abram and Sarai were full of doubt in the beginning. We know that because they both laughed at the idea of them having a baby in their old age.

I've taught this so many times before, I won't continue to elaborate. Let's bring this home for today's lesson. Back in the beginning, I had hope because of what God said. Despite all the doubts my natural brain kept throwing at me, we eventually stepped out to believe God. Tribulation came. Resistance came. The circumstances got really bad. It looked like failure every day. That was when we had to patiently endure. We kept obeying God, doing what He said. We did not disobey any instructions. Then one day, we had an experience. A small financial breakthrough. (A dendrite pathway was created in my natural brain when that happened.) Then there was another small breakthrough. (Another dendrite pathway was created in my natural brain.) Then there was another, and another.

Understand how the natural brain works. When we had that first small financial breakthrough, it was a physical experience that even my natural brain could not deny. It recognized, "Oh, that happened." A neural pathway was created in my physical brain. I would love to tell you that all the doubt stopped that day. But it was more like my natural brain said, "Well, God came through that time. But He won't come through the next time. You're going to fail. This will not work." But we patiently endured, and another experience came. Another dendrite pathway was created. This is important. Those neural pathways would never have been created in my natural brain if I had not stepped out to obey God and then patiently endured until I had an experience.

Each experience produced hope for bigger things. We eventually had to buy three high-speed tape duplicators. Each cost several hundred dollars. Then we had to buy a postage machine. Then we had to have employees. That meant payroll expense. That also meant we had to have more working space. Every experience gave us

hope for even bigger things. And every time it was the same sequence: hope, tribulation, patience, experience ... and then more hope for the next thing.

Today, I have been in full time ministry for a quarter century, and I have seen God come through for us financially about ten thousand times. I have a ten-lane interstate highway of neural pathways in my brain when it comes to Him providing for us. I have a relationship with Him as my Father. Fathers provide for their children. Our Father will provide for Gary and Sue.

It has gotten to the point that sometimes when circumstances come where I "ought to be worried," it's like my own brain now says, "Oh shut up. You've already seen Him deliver you about ten thousand times. He is not going to fail you now. Go ahead and get some sleep. He's going to be up all night working on your problems anyway because God never sleeps or slumbers."

Let's talk now about the supernatural revival He is wanting us to walk in. We all thank God for every healing and every miracle we have ever seen. We saw God work though pastor Dave Roberson to open so many deaf ears and get so many cripples out of wheelchairs. I saw with my own eyes people receive silver and gold fillings in their teeth during those prayer lines. One time when Dave was preaching in India at a massive outdoor campaign, it was reported that over five thousand people received silver and gold fillings in their teeth all at the same time.

This process of hearing, obeying, patiently enduring, then experiencing leads to higher and higher levels of walking with God. Each experience sets the stage for even greater hope for the next thing God wants to do.

Thank God for everything we have seen. But the truth is, none of us have yet seen "Jesus meetings." When Jesus ran His own meetings while in His own body on earth, they were all healed, first time, every time, no exceptions. We have seen sporadic healings and miracles by the gifts of the Spirit, and we thank God for each one. But in those meetings, some got healed and some did not. Those are good meetings, but they are not yet at the level of Jesus meetings.

Think about someone going to seven Jesus Meetings in a row back when Jesus was physically on earth. He would have seen all the sick get healed every single time. Jesus didn't turn away a single person. He healed the nice people, the grumpy

people, the person that argued with his wife that morning ... it didn't matter. All of them who came for healing were healed, first time, every time, no exceptions. If you had witnessed that with your own eyes, neural pathways would be in your natural brain. What would you tell your sick cousin about Jesus? You would tell him, "I have seen it with my own eyes. Every person that comes to Jesus for healing gets healed. If you will come to the next Jesus meeting, He will heal you." We have not been forceful like that because, so far, we have not seen it like that with our own eyes. But the Holy Spirit has been giving me hope regarding that situation also.

The apostle Paul was not hand-trained by Jesus like the original twelve. The twelve, even before they were born again, had neural pathways created in their natural brains because they saw with their own eyes the healings and miracles that took place when they laid hands on people and spoke in the name of Jesus. They were amazed that even devils had to obey them when they commanded in the name of Jesus. They saw these things with their own eyes hundreds of times.

But Paul was not trained like that. It was roughly eight or nine years after Jesus ascended into heaven before Paul got saved on the road to Damascus. Paul began preaching Christ and stirring up so much trouble in the churches that Barnabus took him aside for a season. For the next three and a half years, Paul was pretty much alone in the wilderness. He was being trained, not by the physical Jesus, but by the Holy Spirit. In fact, Paul came to know Jesus better than Peter, who was hand trained by Jesus. How do we know that? It was Paul who had to correct Peter later when Peter reverted back to only eating kosher food approved under the law of Moses. One day the Lord said to me, "You have the same Teacher as the apostle Paul." I knew He was speaking of the Holy Spirit. All my excuses were over at that point.

I have received personal instruction from the Lord to listen attentively to the Blueprint Prophecy MP3 every morning during the first hour of prayer. It keeps repainting the hope of the revival. And it keeps reinforcing the instructions that the Holy Spirit gave us, so I don't stop doing them.

We are Spirit-born children of almighty God. We receive our instructions from the written Word of God, and from the Lord when He speaks to us. We do not allow

the gray-matter brain to make decisions for us. We keep the gray-matter brain in its place as a servant.

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For many of you have tasted of experience on a very small level, and that has encouraged you and given you hope for the future. But press on. Continue. Continue doing those things I have instructed you to do, and you will have another experience. And that will lead to the next experience. And that will lead to the next experience. And soon you will flow in these things just as naturally as I have spoken in that blueprint. It will become natural to you. It will become a flow. It will become so easy. You will wonder why you ever thought it was so hard, because now it just flows. Even the neural pathways in your brain will agree, GOD DOES WHAT HE SAYS!

I encourage you to play the blueprint MP3 and pay attention to it. Pray and fast. He still has me on a fasting schedule. My body doesn't like it one little bit, and that's just too bad! It's going to fast anyway.

There is a peace that passes all understanding. The fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace ... and more. I remember the turmoil of the early days when He gave us our instructions. There was a constant war in my brain in those early days between my spiritual mind and my natural gray-matter brain. During some of the greatest times of patient endurance, I still heard those doubts all the time. What makes you double minded is when you yield to those doubts. I never did yield, but I came close.

I remember our finances were so bad one time it sure looked like certain bankruptcy. It felt like we were on the Titanic after striking the iceberg and we are about to head to the bottom. My natural, gray-matter brain kept composing appeal letters it thought I should send out. I wasn't doing that on purpose, but I would catch myself composing an appeal letter automatically in my mind. That is the natural brain telling you to produce a Hagar moment by birthing an Ishmael. "This is what can be done in the natural to solve this problem." That's what Abram and Sarai did, and the whole world is still suffering because of that decision.

I would catch myself composing those appeal letters in my mind, and then I would cast those thoughts to the ground. Some might think I was not in faith because I heard those doubts. No, I was standing my ground during the tribulation part of the

process. To not be in faith would have been if I had actually written that appeal letter and sent it out. I never did. I wasn't happy about the circumstances, but I kept enduring by continuing to obey the instructions He had given us.

Even if I had failed and disobeyed Him by sending out an appeal letter, that would not have been the end. No parent kicks their child out the door when they make a mistake. No, a good parent helps them, corrects them, and works with them so they do better the next time. Your heavenly Father is the good, good Father. He really is. The song is not wrong.

By the way, that particular financial trial when it got so bad ... we continued to patiently endure by obeying what He told us ... and then God began to move in the most amazing ways. We never sent out an appeal letter. Nobody knew how bad our finances were. Without us doing anything in the natural, We got an electronic gift from a man who lives in another country for \$5,000. I checked and he had never given more than a few hundred before, so I was thinking maybe he accidentally hit an extra zero by mistake. I called and asked him if he actually meant to send \$5,000. He said he did. I asked why so much and all he said was, "Oh, I've been saving up."

That was just the beginning. Within the week we got a check from another person for \$7,000. This was in the days when a hundred-dollar gift was HUGE to us. Those large gifs continued until everything was paid in full. (By the way, once the crises was over, those huge gifts stopped just as abruptly as they started.) It was simply God doing what He said He would do.

One last time, remember the sequence.

Hope ... Tribulation ... Patience ... Experience ... more Hope!

As you obey each supernatural instruction, neural pathways are created in your natural brain every time you see the manifestation of God doing what He said.