

Sphere Of Influence

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Ephesians 4:7 (ESV)

But **grace** (the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life) was given to **each one** of us according to the **measure** (metron, sphere, boundary) as the gift from Christ.

We have **grace** (favor and power) from Christ to operate in **the sphere assigned** to us by Christ.



Each believer is assigned a metron, sphere, or boundary by Christ. **In that metron, God gives us power and favor.** As an example, raising children is not easy, but definitely it is the parent's metron. Parents have God given favor and power with their children. **You do not have that same favor and power with other people's children and shouldn't try and exercise it.** Also, other people do not have that same favor and power with your children. Take this very personal example and apply it to all areas of life; friends, work, and church. In our metron, we operate with God's power and favor. **Note: we may be given permission to operate in another's metron: Larry, Leon, etc.**

God has given us a metron and HE has given us faith to operate in that assigned metron.

Romans 12:3 (ESV)

(Everyone) think with sober judgment, each according to **the measure** (metron, sphere, boundary) of **faith** (hearing God and acting) that **God has assigned.**

Faith is hearing God and then acting on what you have heard. God has given us faith in our metron, sphere, or boundary. Therefore, **We need to operate within the area that God has assigned to us in order to be able to hear God clearly.**

God's power is not limited, but God set limits on HIS power in us to be used only as God directed.

2 Corinthians 10:13 (ESV)

But we will not boast **beyond limits** (physical boundaries) but will boast only with regard to the **area of influence** (metron, sphere, boundary) **God assigned to us**, to reach even to you.

2 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV)

We, however, will not boast beyond **proper limits**, but will confine our boasting to **the sphere of service God himself has assigned to us**, a sphere that also includes you.

Again, we have a greater ability to hear God clearly within our sphere, metron, or boundary. Therefore, to mightily operate in power and authority, we have to know our assignment; our metron, sphere, boundary. This was true of the Apostle Paul.

Acts 16:6 (ESV)

And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, **having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia**.

Acts 16:10 (ESV)

And when Paul had seen the vision, concluding **God had called us to preach the gospel to them**.

Where do we start? We start where we are.

1 Corinthians 7:20 (ESV)

Each one should remain in the condition in which he was called.

Start Today in your sphere God has assigned!

#1 Excel in serving God where you are and God will direct you. Don't just quit what you are doing!

#2 Grow in grace (the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life) the gift from Christ

#3 Experience faith (hearing God and acting) where God currently has assigned you.

#4 Grow within the Your areas of influence – As you grow God will assign you greater areas of influence.

This is a divine process that will glorify God and will result in boasting in the LORD!

2 Corinthians 10:17 (ESV)

“Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

The end result is seeing God work. When God works, we boast in Jesus who does the work. God did the greatest work by making us a new creation.

John 3:16 (ESV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Prophetic Team

Hear from the Holy Spirit to change the current situation or impact the future.