

“You Don’t Need A New Church” *John 8:32; 1 Corinthians 2:9; 1 Peter 2:4-5* ~A.L. Moss, Sr., M.Th.

Introduction: Not every wound carried by a person is a result of spiritual abuse. Some of the pain is from being corrected, stretched, or being told ‘NO’ for the first time. That’s not to dismiss the reality of toxic environments, those absolutely exist. But in a time where everything gets labeled as “church hurt”, we’ve lost our ability to tell the difference between trauma and transformation. The truth, a lot of us were put on platform with gifts that outpaced our character. And now we’re leading from the pain we never processed. So, instead of confronting our pride, we leave. Instead of getting counseling, we post. Instead of repenting, we rebrand and start over somewhere new.

Healing is not about finding the perfect church! It’s about letting God deal with what’s still broken in us! We shall be a mirror that reflects what is happening inside. This word is also for those who have experienced moral failure in the church and refuses to come back to church and Christ. So, the question no one is asking: What are you running from? Correction, moral failure or refusing to embrace transformation? Before you leave another church, another city, or another team: Let the Holy Spirit show you what He wants to heal in you. It won’t feel good. It won’t be a fast. But it will be the most anointed thing you ever do. Saint’s we can’t lead people into freedom we haven’t walked through ourselves. So, let’s stop performing and let start healing.

1. Not every environment is toxic. It’s not the first place that told us no.
2. Sometimes what we call church hurt is actually leadership correction we weren’t ready for.
3. Yes, church wounds are real, but so is spiritual immaturity.
4. Healing doesn’t always look like leaving. Sometimes it looks like repenting, growing, and staying where you’re planted.
5. We don’t just need safe places. We need honest ones. Don’t be afraid to tell the truth because only the truth will make people experience freedom.
6. If every church you went to did you dirty, maybe the common denominator isn’t the church.
7. Not every confrontation is ‘cancel culture.’ Sometimes it’s the Holy Spirit calling you into correction and out of pride. This word won’t go viral, but it might set you free. Be brave enough to look into the mirror.