

— FOR EVERYONE · CHAPTER 16

Signs a Season Is Shifting

In every story the book traces, God opened the door out of the hidden season. Read how He did it, then use the checklist to discern where you are.

Maturity responds. Immaturity strives.

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— GOD INITIATES THE TRANSITION

Every Emergence Was God's to Open

Moses was called

Formation through obscurity

Out of forty wilderness years, God spoke first — at the burning bush.

David was established

Formation through delay

He never seized the throne; God set him on it in God's own timing.

Joseph was positioned

Formation through contradiction

From prison to Pharaoh's court in a single day
God arranged.

Elijah was sent

Formation through isolation

After the brook and the widow, God returned him to public ministry.

Paul was released

Formation through withdrawal

The hidden years in Arabia and Tarsus ended when God, not Paul, sent him out.

The pattern is consistent. What God initiates, He sustains — what we force, we must carry.

— CHECKLIST

Where am I?

- ☐ I am waiting for God to open the door, not pushing on it.
- ☐ I can name something God has formed in me in this season.
- ☐ People I trust see the change in me, not only the opportunity.
- ☐ I could step into what is next without needing it to prove anything.
- ☐ If the door stays closed longer, I can keep responding rather than striving.

— REFLECT

Responding, not striving

Where have I been striving?

What would it look like to respond to God instead?

From *Hidden Seasons* by Kraig Kleeman, a one-page sheet on coming out of a hidden season.