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CONVENTION HYMN



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Tune: On the mountain, in the valley, on the land and in the sea....

I will shine bright for my Jesus
I will shine Both day and night
Bright morning star Is my father
As He is so will I be

Chrs

So brilliant I will shine So radiant I will dazzle Come shine with me In grace and truth So brilliant I will shine So radiant I will dazzle Come shine with me In grace and truth

Chrs

2. On God's mountain Now located For the world to know my God Not in hiding under bushel Hidden light is not my type

Chrs

3. I will shout loud Jesus is Lord

He is coming to rule the world

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Jerusalem seat of power When He comes I'll rule with Him

Chrs

4. In the meantime Ambassador of my kingIs who I amI have power over demonsOver death, disease, despair

Chrs

5. Everybody join my companyCome to light before too lateWorld is ending hurry brethrenBe holy pure as the light

Chrs

6. Join the choir singing on highWith power HalleluyahJoin their chorusLoud triumphantLet us shout halleluyah

Chorus 2

To the father halleluyah

To the son halleluyah

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To Holy Ghost halleluyah

To the Father halleluyah

To the Son halleluyah

To Holy Ghost halleluyah



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OPENING CHARGE



MINISTERING: PASTOR PETER ONAH AMENKHIENAN (AGO, YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS, RCCG)

DATE: 28TH SEPTEMBER, 2020

BIBLE TEXT: MALACHI 4:2

Beloved, I want to welcome you to this Great Event that is starting today.

The Great Event put together by our father in the Lord, Daddy E.A Adeboye- to impact your life.

And the Theme for this Programme is: THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

It is interesting to note that the Old Testament ends with Christ as:

"The Sun of Righteousness rising with Healing in His Wings" - Malachi 4:2

And the New Testament closes with this Title - "I Am the Bright and Morning Star."

The commencement of the First (1st) Advent was heralded by the appearance of a Shining Star that directed the Wise men to the Birth Place of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Whenever God is about to cause a Major SHIFT in the affairs of men, the Morning Star will shine forth.

Apostle Paul witnessed a MAJOR Turn Around in his life when he encountered the Shining Light of the Bright and Morning Star - on the road to Damascus.

For God to have given our father in the Lord, Daddy E.A Adeboye; "The Bright and Morning Star" to be the THEME for this Year's YOUTH Convention; it is because God is about to cause a SHIFT in the affairs of men.

And those who will KEY into every aspects of this Programme from the beginning to the end, are going to be: SHINING like the Brightness of the firmament

According to Daniel 12:3; the Scriptures says there: "And they that be Wise shall Shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

Jesus Christ Himself is the Bright and Morning Star. According to Revelation 22:16.

He is:

1. The Gift and the Giver of the Morning Star.

2. The Promise and the Promise Giver of the Morning Star.

3. The Power and the Power Giver; The Light and the Light Giver; The Life and the Life Giver; the Love and the Love Giver.

So, I want everyone of you to get ready for what God is about to do in your life.

This Greatest Gift and Giver of Light is WILLING and READY to SHINE His Light upon your darkness.

Weeping may have endured in the Past Years of your life; but you are about to break forth into Joy, into singing - According to Psalms 30:5.

So, I'll like you to get your family members ready; and be Prepared for a MAJOR SHIFT in your life - Amen.

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God has inspired our father in the Lord to Prepare every aspects of this Programme;

And I Promise you, your life will never remain the same again, if you "KEY IN".

So, on behalf of our father in the Lord, Pastor E.A Adeboye, our Coach - the General Overseer of this Mission (The Redeemed Christian Church of God);

I DECLARE this Year's YOUTH CONVENTION, with the Theme 'THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR" Open!

Let somebody shout Hallelujah - HALLELUJAH!

GOD BLESS YOU!

Thank you so much for staying all through to read.

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And I can assure you that you will be glad you did as it will avail you first hand access to comprehensive reports on the various Messages of Pastor E.A Adeboye and other Men of God!

It is outrightly wrong and a sin we frowned at it for anyone to consciously remove the original source of the work that does not emanate for him or her!

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TALK 1: THE BRIGHTNESS OF HIS GLORY

PASTOR PRECIOUS AKINGBADE (NATIONAL YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS PASTOR, RCCG AND PASTOR IN CHARGE OF RCCG YOUTH PROVINCE 2)



DATE: 28TH SEPTEMBER, 2020

BIBLE TEXT: HEBREWS 1:1-3

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Let somebody give a Shinning Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

You may be wondering - how will you give a Shinning Hallelujah?

You do it this way: As you are shouting Hallelujah, you will be twinkling your fingers!

... Now, give the Lord a Shinning Hallelujah - HALLELUJAH!

I want to Bless the Name of the Lord for this Great Day that the Lord has made and for the opportunity that our esteemed father and our Daddy, the General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God, who has given the Young People this Platform, even to Minister unto God's People.

I am not also taking if for granted our Beloved Mother, our Mother in Israel - Mummy Folu Adeboye, for this wonderful opportunity.

As well, I want to Thank God for our Leader; who just declared this Programme opened on behalf of our father.

... I am talking about Pastor Peter Onah Amenkienan.

May all Glory be to the Heavenly Father!

Shall we Pray?

SONG:

We give You Glory Lord,

As we honour You;

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I give You Glory Lord, As I Worship You;

You are Wonderful You are Worthy Oh Lord; You are Wonderful You are Worthy Oh Lord.

OPENING PRAYER

The God of the Redeemed Christian Church of God, I want to Bless Your Holy Name!

Thank You for this Church. And Thank You for the Covenant that is working for this Church.

Thank You Faithful Father for the Previous Conventions; Thank You for this Year's Edition.

... Take All the Glory in the Name of Jesus!

Within the few minutes that I have to Charge everyone that is listening all over the world, or reading now on the Label DMC; Lord I Pray, Anoint my mouth to speak Your Word in the Name of Jesus!

And I Pray, even beginning from now, every Young Person all over the world connected to this broadcast and reading now on the Label of DMC; Father, make us to be SHINING in the order of Proverbs 4:18, until when we will meet You in Glory.

Thank You Faithful Father.

In Jesus' Name I have PRAYED - AMEN!

And I am taking my Text from Hebrews 1:1-3;

1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:

.. May the Lord Bless His Words, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

This Scripture constitute one (1) of the Magnificent Declarations of the Person and the Works of our Lord Jesus Christ as well as His Divine Nature - being the same with that of the Father.

I like us to examine the Phrase, which is the Topic - As contained in Verse 3 of the Scriptures I just read; "THE BRIGHTNESS OF HIS GLORY."

The word "BRIGHTNESS" could literally mean reflection.

The Greek word translated into Brightness is "Apaogasma" - And it means Reflection.

What is Reflection?

Reflection is casting back a light, or mirroring, or giving or showing back an image.

Just like the image that is Produced from the mirror or a shining surface.

So, in this context, Jesus is the Throwback Image of God's Glorious Manifestation - According to Colossians 1:15. Which says:

"Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature".

And of course, Colossians 1:19 says: "For it Pleased the Father that in Him should ALL FULNESS dwell;"

Therefore, we can say that Jesus is the Image, Jesus is the Representation, Jesus is the Replica, Jesus is the Duplicate, Jesus is the Carbon Copy, Jesus is the Mirror Image of GOD!

Jesus is also the Evidence, the Display, the Expression, the Proof, the Sign or the Manifestation of the Nature of God.

John 1:14 (according to Good News Bible) the Bible says:

"The Word became a Human Being and, full of Grace and Truth, lived among us. We saw his Glory, the Glory which he received as the Father's only Son".

Now, according to Romans 8:16-17, the Bible says:

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together."

Now, the word "HEIR" is translated from the Greek word 'Clearonomeo' - which means: The Receiver of a Inheritance; a Beneficiary of God's Inheritance in Christ.

Therefore, when we talk about been Joint Heirs with Christ; we are also saying that as Christian Believers, we are Co -receivers, we are Co -beneficiaries of the Inheritance of God in Christ.

Therefore, when we say 'Christ is the Carbon copy or Evidence of God's Manifestation'; as Christian Believers, we are also like Jesus: the Carbon copy, the Evidence, the Manifestation of the Glory of God!

How do I know this?

Jesus declared what the Psalmist said in Psalms 82:6. The Palmist said: "ye are gods."

And Jesus in John 10:34-35 says: "Ye are gods!"

According to 2 Peter 1:4, every Christian that is in Christ, the Bible says: "We are the Partakers for the Divine Nature of God.

How does this come to Play?

Every Child of God; the deoronuclear acid we brought to this world, at New Birth, SHIFT Position for Jesus' deoronuclear acid to come upon our life.

... That is through the Process of Spiritual Mutation.

Mutation in Science simply means: 'The chemical alteration of things''.

Therefore, when you give your life to Christ, Spiritual Mutation takes Place - All the Natural deoxinobuclear acid gives way for that of Jesus.

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And what does that mean?

Whatever Jesus carries, we also carry! Whatever Jesus is looking like, we also look like! Whatever Jesus can do, as Joint Heirs with Christ, we can also do (as His Children)!

And Jesus confirmed this in John 14:12. Jesus Christ said:

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and Vreater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father."

From the word 'BRIGHTNESS' it can also mean 'Out Radiating'. - Which is compared to the energy flow from the Sun.

Now, what does this mean?

The energy that is transmitted from the Sun down to the Earth comes in form of Electromagnetic Wave through what we call 'Radiation' in Science.



In the first two (2) - Conduction and Convection; you need a matter, or you need a medium through which it can be transfered.

But when we talk about RADIATION, there is no matter through which heat is transfered.

So, the heat that comes from the Sunna's Sun rays is JESUS.

And because (I have said it before) whatever Jesus is, as Joint heirs with Christ, we are also the Rays of Light.

We are the heat that comes from the Sun unto the Earth.

All life activities are sustained by these heat and light!

If you still remember your Photosynthesis in Science - Because Christ is the Sun ray that comes from the Sun; somebody describes Jesus' Brightness.

That Jesus is: "The embodiment of Immortal Bliss, the Corona of Everlasting Flame, the Effulgence of Essential Light, the Burnish of Celestial brilliance, the Horology of Spiritual Magnificence, the Radiance of Supernatural Resplendence, and the Nimbus of Heavenly Lovelies Lustre.

What does this translate to?

Jesus Christ, as the Sun Ray from the Sun said: "I Am the Light of the world" - He declared this in John 8:12.

And Jesus also confirms that, as Christian Brethren, we are Joint Heirs with Him.

That is why He said in Matthew 5:14: "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an Hill cannot be hid."

Like Him, this Jesus is the One whose going forth has been from Old - From everlasting - According to Micah 5:2.

It was this same Light that was at the beginning, that brought an end to every form of formlessness, emptiness and darkness - According to Genesis 1:1-3.

And it is this Light that is still Providing light and energy for all earthly activities - Without which, life will cease to be!

Therefore, Jesus is the Sustainer of Light.

According to John 1:3. The Bible says:

"ALL THINGS were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made."

He is the One that He Upholds all things by the Word of His Power - According to Hebrews 1:3.

This Light represents Jesus - His Glorified countenance is as Sun that shineth in its Strength according to Revelation 1: 16.

It is this same Sun ray that stood still for Joshua to conquer the enemies of God's People in Joshua 10:12-14.

Also, the radiation of this Light from the Sun - which is the representation of Jesus, is a LIFE GIVING SOURCE.

In John 11:25, after Lazarus had died, and the Master encountered his sisters, and the sister (of Lazarus) was saying: Lord, if You had come here earlier, my brother wouldn't have died.

Jesus Christ said: I Am the Life giving Source. He said, 'I Am the Resurrection and the Life.'

And He got to the tomb of Lazarus, He demonstrated that - He gave Thanks unto God; He called out Lazarus.

And the decomposed body of Lazarus became composed when the Life Giving Source SPOKE a Word of Life to him.

In John 10:10B, Jesus Christ said: "I have come to give you Life in Abundance."

And just like our Beloved Leader (Pastor Peter) said at the beginning - You can read the Opening Charge from the Label of DMC by visiting this Link:

https://discoverymediacrew.com/Opening-Charge-Day-1-Pastor-Peter-Amenkhienan

In Malachi 4:2, He is the Sun of Righteousness that healed also in the Valley of Dry Bones.

Brethren, here are the Implications of this:

Like Jesus, that the Bible describes as: The Brightness of God's Glory. We as Christian Believers, according to Matthew 5:14 (I declares before): We are also the Replica, the Brightness of God's Glory.

Now, the rays that come from the Sun, Scientists put the energy source at fifteen (15) million degree Celsius.

And in comparison, the energy of a Nuclear Weapon is less than what the Sun Produces in one Second (1 Second).

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There is so much Heat energy and Light energy that come from the Sun.

So, as children of God, we carry so much Power, even to do exploit on Earth.

Let's look at: THE DIMENSIONS OF THE BRIGHTNESS that God expects of us, as we shine in the surface of the Earth.

1. With so much Energy, with so much Power that we carry; we should be the Strangers of the Status quo of any environment that we get to.

... Because of the high impartation capacity of energy that we carry.

How do I mean?

The Bible says in Acts 10:38, because Jesus was Anointed with the Holy Ghost and with Power; everywhere He went, He was doing Good.

Likewise, the Apostle in Acts 17:6, the Scriptures says: People testified of the amount of Power that the Disciples used in transforming the whole world.

It says: They turned the whole world upside down.

Ladies and Gentlemen, every Young Adult that is hearing me or reading now on the Label of DMC, what God expects from us is that because we carry so much energy, we carry so much Power (as God's children) - Wherever we go, we should be able to TRANSFORM LIVES.

2. Because of the amount of Heat energy that comes from the Sun (that we carry as God's Children; nobody approaches it and not become warm because what we carry, JUMPS on People round us!

What does this mean?

We are to be a blessing to everybody around us.

People must not remained the same when they encountered us; because of the Power that we carry.

In Acts 9:39-43, Peter was sent for when a Young Woman (Dorcas) who was doing Good, died.

Peter got there and by this Power, the woman was able to come back to life!

Peter wanted to go; and they saw what God could do through him, they said: You cannot go, you mist tarry with us.

Everywhere we go, we must demonstrate the Power of God over sickness and even over death - Amen.

3. Because Wickedness MUST NOT SURVIVE where we are.

What do I mean by this?

Wickedness only thrive when there is bankruptcy of Power!

... There are evil all around us:

I. As children of God, with the Light of God SHINING upon us;

II. As children of God, with the Power that we carry; every Believer is a weapon of Mass Destruction against be very representation of evil.

1 John 3:8 says: MEDIA CREW

"He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this Purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil".

My People, I have come to declare to us; even after now: Everywhere we go, all forms of ungodliness must bow to the Power that we carry - Amen.

... And it shall be so, in the Name of Jesus - Amen!

4. Because of the high intensity of Light that we carry; there should be REVELATIONAL INSIGHT upon all Believers that should bring SOLUTION to Problems.

How do I mean?

In Genesis 41:14-39, the Bible talks about Joseph.

There was a Problem in the land of Egypt; and this Young Man brought Solution.

What would have terminated the lives of millions of People; because he was SHINING as a Brightness of God, he Provided SOLUTION.

And then the Bible tells us latter in Hosea 12:13, that: The People of God were Preserved by a Prophet.

Everywhere we go, we are Preservative Agents!

And I want to encourage everybody, in the understanding of what we are hearing and reading now on the Label of DMC; everywhere we go, lives must be Preserved - Amen

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5. Because of the Light that comes from the Sun that we represent and the Power that comes from Him; this Power is CONSTANT!

Because the Light is CONSTANT, that talks about the Character of Christian Believers - Our Character should be DISTINCTLY ATTRACTIVE in reflecting Christ.

When our Character is distinct, then People will be drawn unto the God that we serve.

Distinction compels attention - Global attention is a function of Outstanding Distinction.

According to Acts 11:26, the Disciples were first called Christian in Antioch of Judea; because the People could see the Character- Like of Jesus Christ in them!

And like Jesus declared in Matthew 5:14 - We are GLOBAL STARS!

Our Character as Christian should be OUTSTANDING.

Let it not be said that as an Agent of God that is SHINNING; that you are only Religious, but you are not godly.

There is a story in 2 Kings 22:1-7 - King Josiah was reforming Israel. He put the work of the Reformation in the hands of some Artisans.

And the Bible says; The money collected by them, nobody asked them to come and account for them - because, they DEALT FAITHFULLY and Honestly.

As we are shinning as the Brightness of God, can People trust you with money?

Can people trust you with the Opposite Sex?

Ladies and Gentlemen, God is expecting us, as we are shinning for Him; to be PECULIARLY Different!

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... In the Name of Jesus, that shall happen - Amen!

6. Now, because Jesus is the Life Giving Agent. We also as Life Giving Agents.

We should bring HOPE and HEALING to a dying world.

How do I mean?

The Bible tells us in Ezekiel 37:1-14 - In the Valley of Dry Bones; there was a Shining Star there (Ezekiel)!

He only spoke the Word of God, and Dry Bones that were dead for years, came back alive.

That is what God is expecting from us.

From now on, we must begin to go everywhere - Life must not be LOST around us, because of the Power that we have!

Ladies and Gentlemen, as I begin to close;

TO WHAT EXTENT OR DEGREE IS OUR SHINNING?

... We should be shinning PURE, like that of Christ!

The Bible says in Christ REIGNS in dazzling Perfection of Spotless Purity - According to 1 Timothy 6:16 and Judges 5:31.

Those that love God, the Bible Says; will shine fully like the Sun at its fullest Strength in operation.

But unfortunately, we have People - even in the Kingdom, that Pretend to be Shinning Light.

According to 2 Corinthians 11:14, the Bible says: "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

One (1) thing that can Prevent our Shinning as expected of God, is SIN.

SIN has an Acronym;

- Satan Identity Number

- Suffering Is Next

and

- SIN is Success In Nothing!

SIN an impurity that will not allow Precious Stones to SHINE.

Ladies and Gentlemen: TO WHAT EXTENT ARE WE SHINNING?

In Acts 9:1-6, there is the story of Saul of Tarsus (Apostle Paul) who encountered the Brightness of the Power of the Sun.

And He Himself became and Agent - SHINNING brightly, everywhere He went!

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But in Acts 19:13-16, the Bible talks about the seven (7) Sons of Scevas; who were supposed to be children of a Pastor K (so to speak).

They tried to shine the way Paul was Shinning but they met their waterloo - The demons jumped upon them, and then their Testimony was bad.

The question here: As we Pray is this:

Are you a Kingdom Replica Radiating or Reflecting the Brightness of the Glory of God or not?

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If you are already Radiating the Glory of God, you can continue to Reflect, to Shine at a higher Frequency - According to Proverbs 4:18.

ALTAR CALL:

But if you are there, and you are not Shinning, because you have not accepted Jesus as Lord and Personal Saviour, you have an opportunity to do that TODAY (even as you are reading now on the Label of DMC).*

Let me close with this;

"Light SHINES in darkness, no matter the increase and magnitude of evil in Arithmetic Progressive form all around us - The Shinning Power that we carry is available to DISPEL all forms of Ungodliness: Not in Arithmetic Progressive Form, but in Geometrical Progressive Form."

.. Hallelujah!

CLOSING PRAYER

I Pray for everyone that is listening to me and reading now on the Label of DMC: May God's countenance SHINE UPON YOU, in the Name of Jesus!

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May the Expectation of Heaven not be ABORTED upon your life, in the Name of Jesus!

... Even as we have started this Youth Convention, on a daily basis; I Pray that the GLORY OF GOD will be in an INCREASING ORDER, in the Name of Jesus!

I Pray for our father in the Lord; as he is Shinning all over the world, may his Light not go down in the Mighty Name of JESUS!

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Remember, You can be sinning and be SENSIBLY Shinning!

It is my Prayer that: We will not disappoint Heaven; we will not disappoint God, we will not disappoint Jesus, we will not disappoint the Holy Spirit.!

*As christian Young People of the Redeemed Christian Church of God: We will not disappoint our father in the Lord, we will not disappoint our mother in the Lord, we will not disappoint our Generation, we will not disappoint our Biological Parents and we will not day disappoint our Children and ourselves.



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OPENING PRAYER

Our Father and our Lord; we want Thank You.

Thank You for the Past Annual Youth Conventions. Thank You for this Particular One in Year 2020. Thank You for Your Faithfulness. Thank You for the form and the manner in which You started with us.

Thank You for the Session at this time; for what You are set to do.

Lord we trust that through this Program, through this Ministration, lives will be Transformed: You will bring People to the reality of Godliness, You will make us Stars that will be Stars for You.

In every Parts of the world we trust that tonight You will do what You alone can do.

Lord speak to our hearts, speak to our lives and make us the Brand you desired us to be.

Thank You Eternal Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we Pray - Amen.

I like to bless the Lord for this opportunity to bring the Word of God to us as we bring the Second (2nd) Message today.

We Thank the Lord for giving us the Privilege to see another Annual Youth Convention in RCCG (The Redeemed Christian Church of God).

And all over the world tonight; I want to believed that God is Set to do something in somebody's life - Amen.

I am ask to talk on: GODLY STAR.

And I will be bringing my Bible Text from the Book of Daniel 6:1-4.

1. It Pleased Darius to set over the Kingdom an hundred and twenty Princes, which should be over the whole Kingdom;

2. And over these three presidents; of whom Daniel was first: that the Princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

3. Then this Daniel was Preferred above the Presidents and Princes, because an Excellent Spirit was in him; and the King thought to set him over the whole realm.

4. Then the Presidents and Princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.

Hallelujah!

I like to say tonight that we look at two (2) Principal words - GODLY and STAR.

And Godliness and Godly is together.

What does it mean to be Godly?

1. To be Godly means to have the life of God in you.

2. To be Godly is to be formed after the Image of Christ.

3. To be Godly means to have the life of Jesus running inside of you and to have Gods Nature displayed and emanating from you.

According to Numbers 23:19; the Bible says: "God is not a man, that he should lie ..."

It simply means that in God's Nature, you don't have lies, you don't have Falsehood in God.

Because of that you discovered that God said in the Bible that: Let all Men be liar, God will always be True.

In God's Nature, you don't find lies and Falsehood. And anybody who bears such Nature, such Character is Godly.

Everything you can see in God, once you can see in man, you definitely have God manifesting in His real sense in a Man.

What do we mean when we say somebody is a Star?

Natural Star actually is a "Luminous Ball" that has oxygen, helium inside it and it is sustained by Gravity.

But it is an element that is not living - It is not a Living Organism.
So, if you are combining Godliness with Star; we are actually talking about the context of Human Being,

So, we will be looking away from the Normal Star we see in our Sky which is just an element.

And in the context we are looking at tonight, we are looking at a Man having God living inside of Him and God Producing Himself through that Person until the Person becomes a Star.

You discovered that in every Spheres of life, in every Spheres of influence; there are Stars.

In Education, you have Stars, in Entertainment you have Stars, in Business you have Stars and in Government you have Stars.

Today, if you mentioned few names - Some few names comes to mind readily when you are talking about star in different Spheres of life.

In Business today in Nigeria there are few names that comes to mind and they are considered to be Stars in those Fields or Professions.

In Academics there are Stars, in Technology and Science there are Stars, in Religion there are Stars, in every Field of life there are Stars.

But I want to say tonight that: There are Godly Stars and there are General Stars.

And I will explain that.

In the days of Moses - When Moses was sent to Pharaoh to instruct Pharaoh to release the People of God.

Moses asks for a Sign that he needed to show Pharaoh for the release of the People.

The Bible recorded that he threw the rod down and it turn to serpent.

For Pharaoh, it wasn't any big deal because he has a lot of Stars that are Magicians that are Miracle Workers in his days - It doesn't moved him; he just call on them: Come and show Moses what he thought he is doing Specially.

But something ends up the old Story - After they threw their own rod, the Bible recorded that the serpent that was Produced out of the rod of Moses swallowed the rest.

That is what we call: The Godly Star among Stars.

What do you want to say about the incidence that happened in the Book of Daniel, in the days of Nebuchadnezzar?

You have a lot of Astrologers; you have a lot of Star Gazers, Magicians and all Star Readers.

In the days of Daniel, they were all Stars also in their field but Daniel emerged above them all.

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God has always designed it in such a manner that in every fields of life; there will be Stars. There will be People that are Shining, they are Outstanding, their Performance is Excellent. It is Noticeable, it is Projected above others.

However, it has been in the Nature of God that in every Field or Profession, in every Spheres of influence, even though there are many Stars, God have love to celebrate His Own Stars that are Godly.

Wherever you have Organization System, there are Stars there. There are People that have Excelled - They have reached some Peak in life, some Zenith that is admirable and enviable.

But God if He has not seen a Godly Stars, God is not fulfilled, God is not satisfied.

It is possible that in Science and Technology; for example in our Country Nigeria; you have a lot of Stars - People that are Outstanding, People that they can Beacon on when it comes to confusion, when things are mixed up, whether there are complexities in some fields to resolve issues.

But if those Stars that can be beacon on are not Godly, God have pain in His heart.

And God always delight that Godly Stars will be Preferred; will be above other Stars.

But wherever you don't have Godly Stars, one Ungodly Star become a Superior over the Others.

So, in every Spheres of influence, God desire to have Representatives all over the world and where God does not have it, God is still searching.

I am Praying that tonight, wherever you are or reading now on the Label of DMC; God will start a burden in your heart to begin to desire and hunger to become Godly Stars - Amen.

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I. Our father in the Lord, daddy GO (Pastor E.A Adeboye) was a Star in the Academics before he met the Lord.

II. Pastor W.F kumuyi was a Star in Academics in Mathematics when they were in the world, when they have not received Jesus Christ in their life.

They were Stars.

When you are talking about Mathematician they can't be rubbished, they can't be Pushed aside - They were Stars.

But when Jesus Christ came into their lives; when they encountered Jesus Christ; when Jesus Christ became their Lord and Saviour of their Souls, when Jesus Christ life became their life, they became a Godly Stars.

Why? - Because what God will begin to do with them is far beyond what He was doing with them when there were just a General and mere Star.

For example: Daddy GO (Pastor E.A Adeboye) once shared with us that there was a time he was doing his PhD and he had a cross road, there was a challenge. And at a Point in time, God needed to use a Story of the Red Sea, the Parting of the Red Sea; a way to resolve a Mathematical Problem.

That is what God could do for a Godly Star.

Ungodly Star cannot solve his Project with such an Encounter because he is not Godly - He can't access Godly Resources.

So, Godly Stars are People that have God's life. They can connect with God because God is in them.

So, God can easily connect with them and they can relate with God easily.

The Bible says that: Nobody knows the Mind of God except the Spirit of God that is in man.

So, when the Spirit of God is in man; which is in a Godly Star; he relates with God and when there are challenges they have it solved.

Now I want to say that how do you identify or what are the traits or attributes of Godly Stars?

1. According to what we have read; they have Excellent Spirit.

The spirit that runs in them is Special, is Uncommon, is Excellent - Just as we read that in Daniel 6:1-4; the Bible recorded that they couldn't find fault in Daniel because there was no error.

There are People who go for Excellence as they don't settle for Mediocrity, they don't settle for Low Level, they settle for Average.

Once things is not Perfected, they don't go for it.

They will just want to do things error free.

They are People that have Excellent Spirit and the Spirit of God is Excellent Spirit - There are a lot of Spirits all over the world.

You can have some Stars in Business, in Government, in Education. There may be a Spirit running in them.

There may be some very strange spirit working in them and make them to be Star actually, because all the Astrologers, all the Magicians in the days of Moses in the days of Daniel, there is a Spirit running in them.

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There is a spirit that Nebuchadnezzar believed if they consult will give them the revelation of the dream they had.

However such Spirits are not Excellent Spirit.

But for Godly Stars notable thing about them is that: They have Godly Spirit.

2. They fear the lord.

This People does not have regards for man when it comes to man competing with God.

When they have to make options, when they have to decide and they have God on one side, man on one side, they choose for God without looking.

Remember when Peter and John ministered to the man at the Beautiful Gate and they were called, they were warned not to Preach the Gospel.

Peter said: "No it is too late for you to stop us. We can't but Preach this Gospel - We can't stop it.

They are ready to be beaten, they are ready to go through anything just to keep their Stand for God.

So, they are People that feared God and they are fearless in the way they stand for God with men.

3. They are People that have "Zero Tolerance" for sin and iniquity.

According to Hebrew 1:9:

9. Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of Gladness above thy fellows.

They "Zero Tolerance" for iniquity and sin.

They love Righteousness with Passion. They love Righteousness with their whole heart.

And God could identify it in them because what makes them to love Righteousness is inside them.

According to that; before I jump to number four (4), I remembéer that in 1 John 3:8-10; the Bible makes us to understand that whosoever is born of God doesn't commit sin because the Spirit of God, the Seed of God is in him, he cannot commit sin.

And Verse ten (10) makes it very clear to us - He said: In this is the children of God and children of the devil identified.

How you identify those who are Godly is that they have the Nature and the life of God in them: Even when you Provoke them, anger doesn't come because it is what is in a man that can be Provoked.

So, when Pride is not in them, there is no way you can Provoke them to burst out; when Unforgiveness is not in them there is no way you can Provoke them and they exhibit unforgiveness because what is in them is God Himself and that's what makes them Godly.

4. They are People who wait for God's Instruction, God's Direction and God's Revelation.

For example, Jesus said in John 5:30 - He said: "Of my own I can do nothing. He said as I hear I speak".

So, there are People who will not make a move until God moves in them. VEKY MEDIA

So, their Movement is lead, is moved by the leading of God inside of them. So as long as God is not moving.

Just look at the story in 2 Kings 6; the Bible recorded that when Syria wage siege against Samaria for days, there was no food to the Point that women were killing their children.

Elijah being the Prophet of God could not do anything despite the anointing until God says move.

People that are Godly Stars are People that does not go because People recognise them to be Star, to be Special, to be Excellent People, to be Outstanding People. They don't go on their own Will, they don't go by their own Directives - They wait for God.

So, they are not People that will feel ashamed like Saul who feel that because the People around me are already going let me display so that I can retain my honour.

They don't mind if they go through disgrace and shame as long as God has not spoken nothing can be done.

They are so resolute and dogged when it comes to that.

And you will find that in Daniel 2:14-26; the Bible says: When the King's order that all the Magicians and all the Scientist and all the Knowledgeable, the Wise People in Babylon should be killed because they couldn't reveal the dream of the king and interpretation to him.

Daniel went to the Head of the Eunuch and he said: Please, can you Permit us to go and seek the face of the Lord.

So, they had to seek the face of the Lord because they have no content to Present to the King.

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But when they went to God, God revealed His Mind to them and then they can now go boldly to Nebuchadnezzar.

Even when Nebuchadnezzar asked: Have you gotten an answer to my request?

He said No.

Even your answer that we have is not of our own - He has given it to us. The secret is from Him who has the Revelation of Heaven and Earth. He is the Creator of Heaven and Earth.

So, they wait on God to receive direction.

Now I would like to also say that: They are People that are Produced by Incubation of God.

Just like the mother Hen sit upon the eggs until they are hatched and they are Produced; there are People that God sit upon their lives until Christ is form in them. There are People that God take them through a Process of formation - God form His Own Nature, His Own Lifestyle in them.

And sometimes it takes too Time and Process - That these days; it bothers me when I see Young People coming to Ministry or coming to do the Things of God and already trying to Outshine People, trying to introduce themselves, trying to advertise themselves.

Godly Stars are Produced by God's Incubation.

God can sit over their lives for years until God is satisfied with what He can see because God will like to put them in the Palm of His Hands and look at them if they really resemble Him.

Before God can Project them; before God can Introduce them to the world - God must have been satisfied with what they are becoming.

Apostle Paul said in Galatian 4:19 - He said:

"My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you".

So, when Christ is formed, it takes Process for the formation.

*And another thing I would like to add to this is the fact that: Godly Stars are Products of suffering and afflictions.

The Bible recorded in 2 Timothy 3:12; it said that: Those who choose to be Godly in this world shall face Persecutions, they will face Afflictions.

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So, becoming Godly is a choice - You can choose to be.

But don't forget that the Bible also says that: There are some People who have forms of Godliness but they deny the Power - They go to Church, they carry the Bible, they look Religious but the Nature of God that makes a man to easily forgive, love, speak the truth, live holy, hate sin is not in them.

When you look at them Physically; it looks as if they are close to God but inside of them is Iniquity and sin.

So you identify a Godly star because they are Product of Afflictions.

Now what do God do with their lives?

And what is the significance: What is the relevance of having Godly Star among the General Stars?

Let me quickly say this that in every organization - For example in a Banking Industry, you have a lot of staffs, you have a lot of employees. Everybody look alike, everybody seems to be doing the same Business, the same Process of duty and assignment everyday but among them God knows His Own Godly Stars.

So when there are needs God show case His Own.

Sometimes God keeps them, incubate them, hide them from the sight of men.

Many at times God keep them from public scene or sight - He incubate them until Maturity.

The Bible says: John the Baptist was kept in the wilderness until the day of his Showing Forth.

Those are stars - God keeps them; God is not eager to Project them.

Remember in Act 9:4 and 6; when Jesus encountered Paul (Saul of Tarsus) on his way to Damascus.

Jesus said: Saul, Saul why do you Persecute me?

He said who are thou Lord?

He said: I am the Lord you kick against the rest.

Then the first question Saul raised; he said: What will you have me do?

I was expecting God to say: Ok I am going to make you an Evangelist.

God said No! God said it shall be told thee what thou shall do.

He said stand up and go to the City and you will be told what to do next.

Now God did not send him into doing anything immediately because he doesn't have God - He can't represent God well.

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Until God is formed in a man, you will be a misfit in representing God because how do you stand for a man; how do you become a representative, an ambassador of a man you have not have an associate and intimacy and relationship with?

So, God needed to take Saul of Tarsus through a Process of Fellowship, a Process of Learning under Barnabas, under Peter, under so many People they have to rub on him. They have to show him the way of Christ. He has to develop some measure of intimacy. He has to know God intimate.

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Even in Philippians Chapter 3; after he had known God to certain degree, he said that that: I may know Him again - These are Godly Stars!

Godly Stars don't get to a level in the knowledge of God and they felt that is all; they don't need God again, Oh, they have had enough of God's knowledge.

They keep hearing more; they keep becoming more Humble because the more of God they know, the more of themselves they discovered, the more of their emptiness and their weakness they discovered.

Godly Stars, what do God do with them?

Now I would like to show you something in the

Bible which we are all familiar with.

I discovered that in many Places what God does is that: God will create a Problem, God will create a Disaster, God will create a very funny situations - Then he keeps the Key, the Solution to solving that crises, that Problem in the hands of a Godly Star.

For example: Look at the case of Joseph in Egypt.

God decided to cause a great famine in the land, all over the world for seven (7) Years.

God was the one who orchestrated the famine.

But before He orchestrated the famine, He has already identified a Godly Star in whose hands He will commit the key that will solve the Problem.

But what God does is that: He allows the world to play around with their General Stars - Pharaoh was looking for one of the Stars that can interpret his dream. He didn't get.

Until the Chief Cupbearer remembered that he left Joseph in the Prison and he said to Pharaoh; Sir, today is my fault, I just remembered my fault.

There is a Young man I encountered two (2) Years ago - I had a dream, he interpreted my dream. My dream came to past. I sensed that if you Present this dream to him, he can equally do the same.

God always delights to Protect his Preferred candidate in context and competitions.

Have you forgotten: At the Mount Carmel, God made Elijah a Godly Star.

He called the Prophet of Baal - They are the Stars of the other god.

They displayed all, they couldn't do anything.

Elijah said call on your god now if he has travelled, call him to come back. If he is sleeping awake him.

At the end of the day, the solution to restoring reign back to Israel, Peace back to Israel, Godliness back to Israel, Righteousness back to Israel was kept in the hands of Elijah.

And when that contest was sorted out, God restored reign.

Is it not the same in the Book of Daniel.

In the days of Nebuchadnezzar; in the days of Belteshazzar, in the days of Daniel - God decided that only his Godly Star will receive the dream of Nebuchadnezzar and receive the Interpretation.

So, God has always love to Display!

2. God likes to Produce Godly Nation.

Remember that in Proverbs 14:34, the Bible says that: Righteousness exalteth a Nation: but sin is a reproach to any People.

And how does it go?

Since Hebrews 1:9 says: Thou loveth Righteousness.

And he says Righteousness exalt a Nation.

So, Godly Stars are People that have Righteousness in them and the Righteousness in them; when it spreads and Shines like Star, it Produces.

3. The last thing I would like to talk about is the fact that God desire that Godly Star will Produce Godly Seeds.

In Malachi 2:15; the Bible says: God desire Godly Seed.

I realised that many of us come from idolatry background, from unrighteous background. But the intention of God is that when he brings you from idolatry, from sinful background, He encounters you, pour His life into you.

And when you become Godly, God desires that you will Produce Godly children. Your Godly children will make Godly Nation and Godly Nation will make a Generation that God can relate with on the Earth.

If you see a Young man and a Young lady that want to settle down in Marriage; ask them why did they want to marry?

They have funny reasons.

But can I say today: Every one should have understanding that what God is interested in every marriage is that that marriage should Produce Godly Seeds.

Godly Seeds will turn to Godly Nation. And Godly Nation will Produce God Godly People.

I will Pray now!

CLOSING PRAYER

Eternal Father we want to Thank You tonight.

Bless you Lord for sending Your Words to us.

I Pray that tonight everyone hearing me all over the world or reading now on the Label of DMC will create an hunger in their heart and a Passion and a Burden to become Godly Stars.

Make us Godly Stars through the Process of this convention and let You alone be Glorified.

Thank You Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we Pray - Amen

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TALK 1 (MORNING SESSION): PASTOR OSATO NOAH

TOPIC: CAREER DEVELOPMENT



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OPENING PRAYER

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We want to bless Your Holy Name for this Year's Youth Convention.

We want to Thank You for the Word we are about to hear: Let this Word inspire us, let it activate us, let it energize us, let it bring about turn a around in our lives in the Mighty Name of Jesus.

You can use anything, Father; use me to inspire your People in Jesus Name.

Thank You Father.

In Jesus Name we Pray - Amen.

I want to use this opportunity to thank my father and my mother in the Lord for the opportunity they have given me to Minister in this Year's National Youth Convention 2020.

My Prayer is that God will continue to keep both of you for us and anoint you a thousand times more in Jesus Name - Amen

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MESSAGE

Today I will be bringing you a Presentation on the topic: CAREER DEVELOPMENT.

During the course of this discussion we will be looking to attempt to answer four (4) key questions:

1. What is Career Development?

2. What are the concept of Career Development as well as the factors that affect a Person choice of Career or Career Development Process.

3. What is the Process of Career Development.

4. What strategy can I deploy or employ to enhance my Career Development.

Let's get started!

Before we define what Career Development is all about let's first look at what a Career is.

A Career according to the Oxford dictionary is a Person's Course or Progress through life.

It also entails or pertains to an individuals occupation or Profession that usually involve Special Training or formal Education and it's considered to be a Person's life work.

There are several or different types of Career - For the purpose of time I will just mention a few.

I. One can choose to have a career in Education or Medicine or Public Service.

II. You can also choose to have a career as an Entrepreneur or as a Military Person or even in Ministry.

III. And there are also some emerging Careers, that are currently emerging and by 2030 it will become very strong and relevant like Currency Banker - People who will be trading and managing bitcoins.

Now that we have defined what a Career is, let's try and attempt to define what Career Development is all about.

Career Development is the Process of Self Knowledge, Exploration, and Decision Making that shapes your Career Path.

It requires successfully navigating your Occupational Options to choose and train for jobs that will suit your Personalities, your Skills and your Interest.

In a nutshell from that definition, it means that Career Development is a Process of Learning and developing your skills so that to enable you do well in your current job and also to Position you to Progress into a New Job.

From that definition also we realize that there are certain key words or certain things we need to know about Career Development.

I. First, It is the fact that Career Development is a life long Process. It is not an event - It's a process that carried on true life.

And it's link to every aspect of our lives: Socially, Psychologically, and Mentally.

Career Development involves everything that has to do with us from birth on.

II. The second thing is also the fact that Career Development is applicable to everyone irrespective of your age or stage in life.

No matter where you have attained in any Organisation you want to move your Career forward - If you are at the Entry Level you want to move on to the Next Level.

If you are already an MD (Managing Director) or a CEO (Chief Executive Officer) you want to move your Career to become a Board Chairman.

It affects us at every age and at every stage of our lives.

Now there are two (2) Key Perspectives to Career Development:

It is either Organizational Led or Individual Led.

And each of them have their individual objectives.

I. When it is Organizational Led the objectives of such Career Development is all about maximizing Human Resources Productivity to achieve the Goal of the Organization and ensuring that there is a best match between People, their Skills and the job they do.

II. But when it is an Individual Led, it can serve as a Launch Pad for you to achieve your Personal Objectives which could be anything from getting a higher Pay, receiving Incentives or even bonuses, or even to achieving job flexibility or satisfaction.

Irrespective of the Perspective of Career Development Brethren, the most important thing is that you should take responsibility and Ownership for your Career.

Now, on the average we will spend almost forty (40) years of our lives working.

For instance, if you Graduate at twenty four (24), NYSC one (1) year, from age twenty five (25) to sixty five (65) you spend forty (40) years on the average of your life working and this means a total of eighty thousand (80,000) hours.

It is very important then to ask a very key question that each of us must answer which is the fact that: How do you want to spend this eighty thousand (80,000) hours before you retire?

That is why you must take time to Plan your Career Development and follow through with the implementation of your Plan.

There are about five (5) Stages of Career Development that I will quickly talk through:

I. The first stage is the Exploratory Stage.

And it happens between the age of fifteenth (15) to twenty four (24) years.

The key driver of your Exploratory Stage of Career is really all about gaining knowledge, exploring different Career options so that you can gain knowledge through the classes you take while you are in school, the course you choose, the hobbies you choose or even the temporary jobs like internships.

They are all geared towards helping you to gain knowledge and experience.

II. Now the Next Stage is the Foundational or Early Career Stage.

That is between the age of twenty five (25) to thirty four (34) when you would have Probably started working.

The key driver of Career Decision at this Point is really all about Skills acquisition and experience through the different jobs that you do.

And at this point; it is where you make a decision on the Career Path that you want to follow.

III. Then the Next Stage is what we call the Establishment or the Mid Career Stage.

This is between the age of thirty five (35) and forty four (44) years.

At this Point you want to continue to improve your skills, to improve your chances of strategically being positioned for current or future job opportunities.

I quickly repeat this: The Establishment Stage is a Stage where you continue to improve yourself to enhance or improve your Strategic Positioning in your current job or future job opportunities when they Present themselves.

At this Point, you begin to demonstrate Strong Leadership Skills in your Organisation, your own People and Resource Management Skills.

IV. Then the Next Stage is the Maintenance Stage.

This is between the age of forty five (45) and fifty four (54).

At this Point, you are also continuously improving yourself to stabilize, consolidate your Strategic Position in order to take higher Leadership Role in your Organisation.

The key driver at this Point is really all about Financial Freedom as well as Strategic Leadership and Mentoring.

V. Then the Final Stage is what we call the Late or Retirement Stage.

This is from age fifty five (55).

At this Point, you are Preparing for Retirement, you are attaining Strategic Leadership in your Organisation and Mentoring as well as you are thinking of well legacy you want leave in your Career.

So, those are the key or the five (5) Stages of Career Development.

Now that we have understood the five (5) Stages of Career Development, let's make attempt to look at the different factors that typically affect a Person's Career Development.

There are five (5) Things that typically affect People's Career Development:

I. Personality, Characteristics or Trait.

Now your Personality type, your Interest or Aptitude affects what Job you like and want; Job you want to do as well as the environment you will strive.

For example: If you have someone who is shy in a field of Marketing or Sales, chances are that this Person may find it advancing in that job more difficult or slower than somebody who is a Goal Getter or he is an Out Going Person.

That is why some organisation they have got some sort of employees Personality Traits Analysis that they need to do and when they do such they are able to know where to fit those Personalities.

Now, there are several free Online Materials for your Career Aptitude and Assessment Test -You can go take them and that tells you the kind of Person you are and the kind of job that fits you.

II. Skills, knowledge and Experience.

We all know that your skills, your knowledge and your experience can determine your chances whether you are going to be hired or you are going to be rejected during a Job Recruitment Process.

Now according to the World Economic Forum, there are "Emerging Skills" of the future that would determine Career Development from the year 2030 and beyond.

Some of them include the Traditional Jobs that we have today like: Accounting, Medicine, Teaching or Education.

Now, there are also other Jobs that you need to know or other Skills you need to have to be able to advance:

A. The first one is Technology Skills - Like Automation, Artificial Intelligence and Robotics .

B. The second one is Higher Cognitive Reasoning Skills - Such as Quantitative and Statistical Skills, as well as Critical Thinking and Research Analysis.

C. The third one is Social and Emotional or what will typically call the Soft Skills - They are Negotiations Skills, People Management Skills, Business Development Skills.

Now the requirements for Jobs of the future would significantly be different from their requirements today hence the need for you to continue to develop yourself and own your Skills to remain relevant beyond today.

III. Now the third factor that influence Career Development is Financial Obligations.

Some People because they have loans or they have mortgages or they have to pay rent or even children school fees; find it difficult at some Point in time to switch Jobs or to change their Career.

They Probably have attained some level of status and all that because of their current Career -Like a Director wanting to start his own business, he feels so it may be very very difficult if he just plunge into a business now, his current lifestyle might have some issues.

And so what would such a Person do?

Some of them may give up on their dream of actually starting up their own business but the advice or what you need to do is to actually have a Career Plan that shows you how you can transition gradually from your current job to your desired job.

IV. The fourth thing is family obligation.

Some People's Career stalls because of the fact that they start taking care of their children due to child care or elderly care for their sick Parents.

It is often advised that if you want to take up such Job, you should have a Strong family Support System that can help you or Support you for child care as well as elder Care so that your Career can still Progress.

V. The fifth thing that typically affect Career or factors that influence Career Development is age.

Now your age or Perception of it can determine your Career Development - You may worry about the fact that you are too Young to change your Career or you are too old to begin to change your Career Path or to advance in your Career or even make a Career change.

Now instead of focusing on your age why not just focus on your abilities as well as your motivation.

Kanayo O. Kanayo a renowned Nollywood actor recently at age fifty eight (58) became a lawyer. He has this as a life dream to be a lawyer and a Barrister. He was recently called to bar to be a Barrister and he achieved it just at the age of fifty eight (58).

That means no matter who you are, you can achieve whatever you desire to achieve.

At this Point he is a "Learnered Colleague" with his son who who is already a lawyer.

... He desired it and he achieved it.

You would be the next in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

I heard the story of a woman several years ago who was a typist and was wondering when will People start typing for her.

She met her Pastor and her Pastor told her if you want People to start typing for you; Please ensure you go back to school and develop New Skills.

She laughed and she said you know what when will I go back to school in the same class with People who are my children's age mates.

But Pastor told her and gave her something that really struck her - Pastor said in ten (10) years time you will either be a Typist grandmother or you would be a graduate grandmother.

That thing struck her - She went back to school, she got her degree and then actually ten (10) years time she became a grandmother who was a graduate and People started typing for her.

I wanna challenge you: No matter that your Career Development desire, take a step of Faith today and you will achieve it in Jesus Name - Amen.

2. Now what are Career Development Concept.

There are about four (4) Career Development Concepts.

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I want to quickly touch around.

I. The first one is Career Plan.

A Career Plan is a Blueprint or a Road Map for navigating your Path Way to your Career Goals and Aspirations.

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Now the Plan must be written down; it must highlight the Strategic Options or Alternative Path Ways to your Career Goals or Aspirations.

It must be re-evaluated and updated on regular basis so that they can remain relevant and you may need the help of a Career Coach or a Career Mentor or a Counselor to give you Guidance in your Career Plans.

While the Process of actually developing that Career Plan, the delibrate Process of knowing who you are and then determine where you want to be or where you want to go and what you want to do with your life at some point in future is your Career Planning Process.

The Career Planning Process typically have five (5) Stages:

No 1. This is your Self Assessment Stage where you do a Personal Strength-Weakness Assessment and there is opportunity and threats for you.

Exploring Career options maybe about thirty (30) Careers that fits your Self Assessment.

Then you narrow down the list to about five (5) that you really, really love and then from there you decide and choice the best option and there after you set your Career Goals.

No 2. The next concept is Career Goals.

Career Goals are the anticipated or a future Career Level or a Role. Career Goal give directions to your Career Development.

The Goals can be short, they can be medium or long term with definite time lines and milestones.

Examples of Career Goals are you want to learn New Skills like this woman who went back to school or you want to deepen your industry experience. It could also be that your Career Goal is you want to be an Expert, an Opinion Leader in your industry or you want to start your own business as an Entrepreneur.

These are Career Goals and whatever the Career Goals are, they must have short term timelines as well as long term and medium.

No 3. Now Career Choices.

Your Career Choices a Process of choosing a Career Path based on he combination of factors such as your Personality, your Motivation, your Abilities, as well as your interest.

Now your Career Choices ranges from what i have talked about before and if you don't like this, for example your Career Choice could be you could choose to become a doctor, a lawyer or a even a teacher - Those are Career Choices.

But the reality is this: In making your Career Choice for example, if you don't like the sight of blood, it is of no use in Pursing a Career as Medical Doctor or a career in Medicine or Nursing.

If you are acrophobic that means you have an irrational fear of height or you are airophobic you have a fear of flying or being in the sky and flying at any point in time; Pursing a career as a Pilot will be of no use to you.

So you must align your Personal Interest, align your Personality as well as your Motivation to your Career Choices.

No 4. Now the forth Point under the concept of Career is the Career Path.

A Career Path is the root or a course that you take as an individual to achieve your Career Goals. It Provides you the alternatives or options that you need to take to your Career Goals.

Irrespective of the Potential, circumstances or changes in your industry, your Career Path should still lead you to your Goal.

For example, if you are in an industry that would change you to restructuring or automatum digitization, down-sizing or right sizing just as a result of the Pandemic; a lot of industries they have add to the right size.

Your Career Path should be able to tell you where you should go next.

Career Path is having a Plan B at any time T to how you want to achieve your Career Goals.

There are basically four Career Paths:

I. Steady State Career Path.

This is somebody having a long time commitment to one Career in an Organization.

It is characterized by deepening your Skills or Knowledge in a Particular industry.

For instance, there are some People who want to be Expert, they want to be a Professor they don't want to be HOD (Head of Department) in any Department, they don't want to be Vice Chancellor - They just want to be Professors, that is all they are after. They want to be the best, they want to be Subject Matter Expert.

That is a Steady State Career Path.

II. Another one is Linear.

This Person likes to move upward - Very fast Upward Mobility.

They either achieve it in their own organization or elsewhere - They are always on the move.

III. Now the next one is the Transitory Career Path.

For Transitory Career Path, he is someone that constantly seek for variety or independence.

Now these is what they consider as really the job of the future.

There are so many People that don't want to be your employees, all they just want to do is work for you, they just want to work for several companies as independence. They value their time, they want to be in charge of their time and their independent.

What most People do is that they Probably work for nine (9) Months of the Year, they use the rest three (3) Months, somewhere doing some Missionary Job or doing Social Impact Job or some of them even go to the Caribbean just to rest for three (3) Months and then come back again do another nine (9) Months and then to go and rest - They like that flexibility.

Such a Career path is called Transitory.

IV. There is the last one which is the Spiral or Regular Check Career Path.

The one that has to do with having regular changes usually every two (2) to three (3) years without any change, mobility upward but just more Lateral.

This typically happens in flat organizations where People cannot really move except someone leave for the next position.

If someone ahead of them leaves, that is when they have the opportunity to move or when they need to move somewhere else in that same organization.

So, you need to understand the different types of organization you are going to before you can begin to Plan your Career Path, and decide whether you can achieve your Career Goal in your organisation or elsewhere.

3. Now quickly let us look at Career development Process.

There are five (5) Stages in Career Development Process.

I. Self Assessment

II. Career Awareness

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Let us quickly start.

I. What is Self Assessment?

Self Assessment like I said earlier is Personal sword - Assessing your your Strength and Weakness is very important in making your Career Decisions. It is also very important in making Career Choices, your Paths as well as setting your Career Goals.

Your Attitude which tells us your mindset and how you think; your interest, what you love doing and what you want to do; your Personality whether you are an introvert, extrovert, analytical Person or an emotional Person as well as your Skills, your expertise and your level of Mastery of that Skills.

They all Play important roles and it is Part of your Career Development Process.

II. The next thing is Career Awareness and what you do during Career Awareness Stage in your Career Development Process is to match or align your Career Choices with the various opportunities that are out there.

Your opportunities universe or opportunities that may present themselves to you could cover the following:

A. Your organisation or the subsidiaries of that organization

B. Other organizations or industries; that is where you should look for jobs whether in your organisation or elsewhere.

C. Another career opportunities you should be looking at when you are trying to understand the careers that are open out there is entrepreneurship or Self Employment Opportunities.

Do you want to start a new job? Do you want to start your own business? Do you want to work with somebody? These are all opportunities that are out there for you.

III. Now the third point is Skill Development.

Most times it takes more than you doing a Good Job to be able to get Promoted.

In a situation where everybody is doing their Job, it comes down to who is adding a Greater Value in an organization before you can get Promoted.

That is why you need to broaden your Skills or knowledge and to own or improve your Skills constantly so that the value you bring can continue to increase in your organisation.

According to the University of California UC Beckley, they Proposed what they call the seventy twenty ten (702010) rules when it comes to developing your Skills.

Seventy Percent (70%) must come from on the Job activities like collaboration, Projects, first knowledge of your work; twenty Percent (20%) should come from interaction with Other People like through Mentoring, through Coaching and Volunteering Job while ten Percent (10%) of your Skills should come from training, attending training classes, course work and seminars or conferences.

So your conferences, seminars cannot take the Place of hands-on Development.

So for you to develop your Skills, you must be hands-on Development

IV. The forth thing regarding Career Development Process is Goal Setting.

Now like I said earlier, Goal Setting is setting a desire future or a vision state that you want to achieve in your Career.

For example: You want to be the MD (Managing Director) or the CEO (Chief Executive Officer) of a Multinational Manufacturing, Oil and Gas or a bank, you have to set that Goal.

Once that Goal is set, then you need to have what we call the short term, the medium term and the long term Plans to achieve that Goal.

Now Goal Setting Promote long term vision and short term motivation. it motivates you

Your Career Goal must be clear - It must reflect what you want in a Career based on your inside from your Self Assessment as well as your Career Awareness effort.

Now, your Career Goal must highlight your Career Vision Statement.

Now your Career Vision Statement that is in your Career Goal must be your work life aspirations - What you want to get out of your work life.

And your Career Development Action Plan which details the step by step action you want to take to achieve both your short, medium and long term Career Goal.

Now your Career Goal must be written down as I said before and it must be re-evaluated regularly - You could re-evaluated your Career Plans quarterly, you can re-evaluate your Career Plans biannually (every six ml(6) Months) or every year.

Now your Goals must also be smart - They must be Specific, they must be Measurable, they must be Attainable, they must be Action - oriented, Relevant as well as Time bound.

V. The fifth thing in your Career Development Process is Career Management.
In managing your Career; you will focus on building relationship.

A. Most People discount the importance of relationships in their Career Development and by so doing they are not able to reap the best benefits from whatever relationship they have.

Your Career Relationship Universe must entail various People that you have interacted with at different times - This should include your bosses, your supervisors, your co-workers, your subordinates, People that are working under you as well as your customers.

Like the saying goes: Your Network is your Net Worth.

I know of someone who has changed his job twice, both facilitated by someone in his Network.

B. The second thing in your Career Management has to do with Continuous Career Planning.

Planning your Career is not a straight line graph.

Everything about your Career may not happen the way you Plan it - Certain things do happen, things do change.

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Now when situation changes or circumstances changes around the factors that we mentioned earlier; you then have to begin to also change your Career Plans so that it can suit the moment and become very relevant.

For instance if you lose your Job for example, it gives you an opportunity to research your Career and by resetting your Career; you may have to go back to school or you may what to relocate for some People that are relocating.

They may have to reset that Career Plan, develop New Skills because the Skill relevant to where they are living may not be relevant where they are going to.

Or for health reasons some People due to health reason they may have to leave their Career and change their Career, so you must continuously Plan your Career to remain relevant.

C. The third thing is Setting New Goals.

Your goals will continue to change like we said earlier.

Your Priorities will change, your needs or expectations will change.

It may be that at the beginning of your Career you wanted to gain knowledge. Now that you hve gain knowledge that knowledge has to give you money and so your New Career Priority is money and if you realized that your organisation cannot pay you the kind of salary you want, you may have to change that organization.

Or when you started your Career, it was all about money. Now you realized that you need worklife balance and your organisation cannot give you that work-life balance, you may have to as well change your organisation or look for a New Job.

Certain New Goals entails getting rid of certain Old Goals as well as refining the Old Goals you have so that they can become sharper or become relevant to your current Goals.

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4. The final question we want to answer is around the strategies you need to deploy for your Career Development.

There are four Strategies that you can deploy for your Career Development.

Regardless of the Nature of the Job you do, if you want to advance in your Career you must be intentional in your application of the following five Strategies:

1. Appropriate Preparation

2. Strategic Positioning

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- 3. High Performance Delivery
- 4. Proper Perspective
- 5. Continuous Prayers

I. Preparation:

Preparation entails making Learning and Personal Development a habit.

You must learn, unlearn and re-learn.

Preparation they say Preceeds great Performance.

Preparation entails staying informed about New Trends and New Development in your field of interest or in your Industry or even the Industry you desire to work in.

It also entails developing prerequisite skills or expertise to enable you demonstrate Mastery when the opportunities show up.

Preparation must be all encompassing. It must involve your aptitude as well as your attitude. It must include your intellectual, emotional, social and Psychologically well being for you to Prepare.

I have seen situations where they want to Promote somebody for a Job and some People say yes he or she has the Skills, he or she has the Intellectual Capability but in terms of attitude this Person has no Maturity to handle this level and so they Pass them for that Job.

And so Preparation must be all encompassing - You must develop intellectual in developing your Skills and developing your attitude as well.

Preparation also entails developing the Right Network of People and connection that will support your Goals.

Proper Preparation is the first essential steps for a successful career.

Abraham Lincoln said: I want to live in such a way that when I am called I am ready.

In order words he said: "I will Prepare and some day my chance would come".

You are as you Prepare yourself for that next Career Level.

I Pray that someday your chance would come in the Name of Jesus.

That leads me to a story that I heard about a Senior Pastor in RCCG (Redeemed Christian Church of God) - She decided to read a Masters in a Particular field and after reading that Masters she was working in an industry.

Suddenly there was a change in regulation in that industry and they said anybody that must be an MD/CEO in this Particular industry must have this particular degree in that industry.

And then as they look at that organization where she works from the MD, even down until it got to her none of them have that requisite qualification, and they all had to go.

And suddenly from nowhere she became the MD/CEO.

Why? - Because she Prepared herself.

If you Prepare for the future, you will dictate the outcome of the future.

I Pray for somebody today as you Prepare for the future you will dictate the outcome in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

II. Positioning. Career

Positioning simply means putting yourself at the Place where you are at the competitive advantage or a competitive edge for your next Career move.

Each Position you take in your organisation, each work you do whether in your organisation or Church or wherever you are they must all Position you for next career level.

For an Entrepreneur, Career Positioning is where your brand is in the mind of your customers.

Strategic Positioning enhance your visibility, it Position you for high responsibility and Promotion, it enhances your value or work to your customers, clients and employer.

Putting in the extra efforts, going the extra mile will Position you for Promotion.

III. Performance. Performance.

No matter where you are and no matter the Career you are Positioning, or no matter the stage you are in your Career, you need to demonstrate competence before you can advance your Career otherwise you may not advance your Career.

There are typically four (4) level of Career Advancement:

Level 1 is when you are dependent - You are a learner, you are a helper. You perform the subtask that are given to you under supervision.

All you doing is the fact that you are still largely dependent

Level 2 is that the individual is known for a distinctive competence.

He or she is a technical expert and an individual contributor. This Person works independently.

Level 3: A higher level of Performance you need to desire is a level where you are the coach.

You are guiding other People, you are Mentoring them and you are in charge of several other People and you take responsibility for their Career as well.

At this Point you are independent

Level 4 -: Which is the highest level of Career Performance, is where you bring values and determine what course your organization take.

You are a Pathfinder and everything in that organization has to do with you.

At this Point, you are also an independent worker.

Now let me quickly buttress this point by just sharing a quick story: I heard of the story of two (2) Young men who joined an organization at the same time. Very soon one of them was being Promoted rapidly and even became the boss of the of the second one.

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When the second Young man could not take it any longer. He went to meet his director one day and he threw in the towel and he said he wanted to leave that he cannot continue.

He sent in his resignation and then the boss ask him why do you want to leave?

He said look myself and this Person started working on the same day, but have been Passed several times for Promotion and this Person has become my boss.

And then the boss told him to wait and called the other guy and then he started to say: Ok you, you know what? Go to somewhere, just go and get me the Price of an Hiace bus and then the Young man went out.

He got there, he ask how much do you sell an Hiace bus? He came back, he told the boss, he said: Oh an Hiace bus cost about twenty million naira (#20,000,000).

And then the boss said is that all? And he said yes.

He said fine. He called the other guy and said Please go and get me the Price of a Hiace bus.

The Young man came back and said you know sir, I have gone round and have made some findings. He said there are different People that sells the Hiace bus.

There is Toyota - Toyota Provide Hiace bus, but there are different distributors and sellers in the Market and out of those distributors, these Person sell at "X" amount, that Person sells at "Y" amount.

And not only that there is a Manual Transmission and then there is Automatic Transmission, whichever one you want. If you want manual this is the Price range for Manual. For automatic this is the Price range. If you want it delivered they will deliver in another twelve (12) days and then if you want to also get credit for this Particular delivery you can get a credit of up to fifty percent (50%).

They are also willing to give us a discount of twenty five percent (25%) if we pay between "X" time. And then the other guy was wondering how did the guy that has being Promoted got all this information.

I mean if you want to Promote anybody between these two (2) guys; who will you Promote?

Your guess is as Good as mine - The guy that has value, that got more information

IV. The forth thing is Perspective.

No matter what Career you Pursue, if you are going to find genuine and lasting fulfilment in what you do, you must as a matter of fact have the "Right Perspective" or the Mindset.

Your Mindset or Perspective shapes your Value, your Value shapes your Career Goals, and your Career Goals shapes your Career Development.

And I Pray that today you will have the right Perspective in the might Name of Jesus - Amen.

V. The fifth thing you need to know about your Career Development or Strategy you need to employ in your Career Development as children of God is Prayer.

Now as children of God, after all the four (4) dimension; without Prayers things may not happen the way you want them to happen or when you want them to happen.

What Prayer does is that Prayer bring the God factor even to your situation or your Career Pursuit.

Through Prayers you attract the Holy Spirit the Game Changer to work with and for you.

The horse, the bible says Prepare for the battle but Safety is of the Lord according to Proverbs 21:31.

The Bible says the race is not for the swift nor battle for the Strong nor yet bread for men of Understanding but time and chance happens to them all - Ecclesiastes 9:11.

I heard of the story a sister who did not apply for a Job but she was very Prayerful She had the qualification but she didn't apply.

Her organization put out an advert and in that advert after looking at all the candidates that applied none was fit for the Job.

And then one day somebody was going through the files and found her file and discovered that she had the qualification on everything they required for the Job.

And secondly the fact that she was already in the organization, so she will be able to hit the ground running.

That is how they pulled up her file, she told her boss, they requested to see her, they interviewed her and they found out that she was more than qualified than every other Person they have spoken to for that job.

That is how the Sister got that Job.

The lady got the Job and from that Promotion she got a Position higher her boss.

You know what? - That is the work of Prayers. That is what Prayer does.

Prayer changes things.

Your Skills can qualify you but Prayers amplifies you.

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In summary, of the strategies you need to apply in enhancing your Career Development:

I. You must be Prepared to make a difference.

II. You must be Strategically Positioned to seize the moment.

III. You must be a hard Performer to remain relevant.

IV. You must change your Perspective to change your world and the value you bring.

V. Above all be Prayerful to guarantee a successful Career.

Your Career is one of the carriers of vehicle God uses to carry you to your Next Level.

And I Pray for you that you will move to your Next Level in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

The summary of everything I have been talking about is in four (4) points:

1. When you know your Value you gain confidence.

2. When you explore your Options you can make informed choices.

3. When you Plan your actions you can set reachable Goals.

4. Finally, when you create your future you are in control of your life and your work

According to the words of Elionel Roosevelt the former first lady of the United State of America; in conclusion she said: "The Purpose of life after all is to live it; to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experiences".

My Prayer for you today is that you will reach out for newer and richer experiences in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

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Shall we Pray!

CLOSING PRAYER

Father I thank You for Your children.

Everyone that have heard me today, that have lost their Jobs; Lord Please let these Words inspire them to go and get a New Job.

For those who want to change their Career, let them be energized by these Words.

And for those who are thinking of going to start their Career let these Words activate them to go and take the right decision that would lead to their Career Advancement.

Thank you Father for everything.

Bless these Words.

In Jesus Name we Pray - Amen!

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TOPIC: DIGITAL EVANGELISM (DIGITAL MEDIA AND THE CHURCH IN THE 21ST CENTURY).



DATE: 29TH SEPTEMBER, 2020.

Thank You for joining us once again and it has been an amazing Session in the Presence of God during the RCCG Youth Convention 2020.

And now, we will be talking about: "DIGITAL MEDIA AND THE CHURCH IN THE 21ST CENTURY".

And really, it is a Topic that is very important for us to discuss about at this Point in time because the Church and the world at large is going through the "Biggest Communication Shift"

that is going on in the world that has ever happened in the History of Mankind; is happening now!

Usually, we used to have People come to a Physical Gathering, People come as one to have Meetings, to Study, to have Official or Unofficial duties.

But now, we are in a fix, we are in a Position whereby the whole world has to come into a Smaller Environment but in a more Global Audience.

And that is why we are talking about: "DIGITAL MEDIA" today.

But let us Pray!

OPENING PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father: King of Glory; our El Shaddai - We worship You because You are Good.

We Thank You because of this moment; we Thank You even for the opportunity even to be able to gather here at this time.

We Thank You for the Life of everyone that is watching us right now or reading on the Label of DMC. We Thank You for all the Youths around the world at large.

Your Name shall be exalted now and forever more in Jesus Name.

My God, as we go into Your Words that You have for us today - Oh God, let it be Zero Percent (0%) of the flesh and one hundred Percent (100%) of the Spirit in the Name of Jesus.

I will not talk from the Position of a "Man of God" but I will talk from the Position of "A Man Helped by God".

Thank You Lord for answering our Prayers.

For in Jesus Name we Pray - Amen!

Like I said earlier on, the Previous Generation, they grew up in the Church.

Everybody grew up in the four (4) Corners of the Church, Offices and we are trained to have Set Ups where someone Stand and People regardless of the Social Distance.

But now, we have come into a realm where: From the comfort of my room, from the comfort of my office, from the comfort of wherever I am; I can reach millions of People across the world without any barrier, without any issue, without any Problem because the world has been compartmentalized into something smaller than what we had before.

So, what is the Role of the Church in this time that we are facing?

How does the Church fit into what we have now?

The Church can fit into every facets and every departments of what is going on now.

I call it departments because I take the world as a company, I take the world as an Office.

So, when we have an Office, the Church can fit into every departments, the Church can into every Strata of what we have right here now.

What is the Most important thing that we should understand as a Church and as a People is that: You cannot excel with Social Media or Digital Media without the Help of the Holy Spirit. ... You think that: I can excel, I can just go on Posting Things Online; I can say Things that I want to say; I can do whatever I want to do; but without the Help of the Holy Spirit, you cannot excel in these Places that we want to be into if we do not come into the realm that we understand.

The Rule of Social Media now, the Greatest Commission in the Bible in Matthew 28:19 - The Greatest Commission there that Jesus Christ said: Go ye therefore into the world and teach all Nations; baptizing them in the Name of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

God has given us the empowerment to go into all the Nations.

And how do you want to go into all the Nations - Even those that have Private Jets, all those that have all the resources and the amenities; it is still difficult sometimes because there are some Regions that you cannot get into if you are of certain Religion; there are some certain Regions you cannot get to because they are so remote.

How do we get to those Uttermost Parts of the Earth?

The only way you can get into the Uttermost Part of the Earth right now as the case may be with respect to the Level of Technology that is available is by the use of "Data Communication".

And "Data Communications" whether you like it or not is something like I said earlier on that everybody regardless of the Industry of where you find yourself, everybody has to delve into.

And we have to understand the Peculiarity of the Places that we are going into.

So as a Church, as a Youth Body, as whatever Religious Body that with respect to Christians that we are; how do we now harness the Places? How do we harness the Platform that are available for us?

So, I take for instance: The Social Media.

Social Media is the biggest Platform that is available on Digital for us to actualised all our Goals as Christians, for us to do things that we want to do.

The Greatest Commission that He gave to us is that we should go ye into the world and baptise People in the Name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

From the comfort of your Sitting Room; a Pastor can reach via Phone calls, via chats, via anything; can reach out to somebody regardless of wherever they are, regardless of wherever they are, regardless of the corner they find themselves in the world.

And the sad thing that we have now is that so many Churches, so many Social Media Managers, so many Head of Department in respect to Social Media in Churches are going about it the wrong way.

We have turned our Social Media Platforms to just "Dumping Ground" - Where we just Post Pictures, where we just Post Videos, whee we just dump all sorts of things without any concrete intent behind it.

So why am I Posting a video? Why am i Posting a Picture? Why am I Posting this Sound? Why am I this?

Is it because I just want People to see that I'm there? Or there is it because there is an understanding that you are having out there and that there must be a conversation?

It is just like in a Marketing where you have a Marketing Funnel and you know that this thing must convert to money or sales.

It is the same way we should take Social Media because Social Media is just like Marketing - We are like reaching out to People is just like Marketing.

If People cannot buy Jesus from you, if you cannot sell Jesus effectively; then the Salvation is free but you have to be able to sell it well to People.

And it goes beyond just meeting People and saying: "Oh, accept Jesus today".

Yes, there is a Place for that one, but there is another level where you can get to where the way you Present Jesus to them will make them feel that this Jesus is very important.

So, bringing it down to Social Media, yes it is understandable that you want to Post the activities about your Church, you want to Post activities about the things that you are doing

You want to tell the People about what you are doing but how is that converting to Souls?

How are you winning Souls? How are you reaching People for Christ? How are you bringing more People into the kingdom?

There should be a Strategy that should be in Place:

1. Number One (1) Strategy is the Stop Scroll Strategy.

What is Stop Scroll Strategy?

It means that when someone goes through his or her own timeline; he or she should be able to stop and look at what you are Posting.

The content you are Posting must be as engaging as Possible.

It should not just be a random Pictures around the Church.

How is the Caption? Is it Provocation?

Is it making People to talk? Is it making People to ask Questions about what these Picture with respect to my Church is all about?

Facebook: @Dmc MediaCrew Twitter: @discoverymediac Instagram: @Discoverymediacrew Youtube Discovery Media Crew Also we should avoid repeating because repeat equals defeat on Social Media.

When you keep repeating things; the Algorithm that has been set in Motion and in Place by most of these Social Media Companies already inhibits what we are doing because the Software will see it as something that is just coming up again that there is not something New - So, we just keep Pushing it down.

That is why you realised that there are so many Churches regardless of numbers of followers, regardless of the number of Likes, regardless of the number of connections that they have on Social Media; you will still realised that they have two (2) or three (3) Likes or maximum ten (10) Likes.

Why? - Because the Algorithm has been put in such a way that if it is the same thing you are Posting over and over again and it is very Predictable, the Algorithm just hides it and makes other People's own visible.

And like I said earlier on, you must be able to engage People on Social Media

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Engaging People on Social Media involves you also using your Church Members, to help amplify the things you are doing on Social Media.

The Bible says: One shall chase one (1) thousand (1000), two (2) shall chase ten thousand (10,000)

So, if you as the Social Media Manager of a Church has Probably a thousand (1,000) Followers on your Social Media account.

If another Member is resharing what you are doing; it Biblical already - The fan base of the People that Like the Page; or the People that are Following the Page also see it and there is a "Multiplication Factor" of ten (10) - And it is very realistic.

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But if People are even scared, if People are ashamed to share what you are talking about or doing; then there is already a Problem as well.

Then you should also Provoke Spiritual Practice on your Social Media Page.

Like I said earlier on; it should not be that on Monday; I'm Posting about this; Tuesday, Digging Deep and the next time I will Post; I'm Posting awareness for Thursday Faith Clinic again.

The next time you are Posting; Come to our Church on Sunday.

How are you meeting People on your Social Media Platforms?

Even God spoke in Exodus - He spoke about the fact that there is a Place whereby you meet Him above the Cherubim and above the Mercy Seat and those things.

So, there is a Place whereby you can meet People as well on Social Media; where you can attend to their Needs.

People may not even need to come to your Church, but everything that there need to be known is there on your Digital Media Platforms.

And you must have an End to End Solutions, an End to End Process and an End to End Systems that can convert Non Believer to a Believer, and even a Member of your department in Church without coming to Church.

How will you do these things?

For instance: You are very active on Instagram or Facebook and the Person says: God bless you. Or your Monday Motivation says: Something at random and that thing Provokes engagement on the Church Page, it is now in your own Place to come and say: Okay, this Person, this question that you are asking; this thing that you are saying: How can I move further?

So, by the time you are engaging with the Person - You are asking the Person: Okay, how can we be of help? What is going on with you? What is going on in your life?

You have not even tell the Person to come to your Church on Sunday

Why? - Because I cannot just meet someone today on the Street and say come to my house on Sunday; I will see you and tell you everything about me.

No, but there and there on the Social Media Platform; you must be able to engage the Person effectively.

So, while you go on that Platform or Facebook or Instagram whatsoever and you Post that thing there; the Person says: Okay, I want to know more about you.

You will give the Person more information there, you keep the Person there and if it's the information that cannot stay on Social Media Platform, then it should be information that should be available on your Website.

So, you drop your link there and so it takes the Person directly to what he or she wants to see or what he or she wants to know.

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Everything that is Pertaining to your Church should be replicated on your Church Website or your Church Social Media Page as well.

It should not be a case where people will start asking you: Where is the address of your Church?

The address of your Church should already be in your Bio, it should be in your know "About Us",

... All these things are already there for us.

And also, we must understand the Peculiarity of each Social Media Platforms - What you Post on Facebook cannot be what you will Post on LinkedIn and cannot be what you Post on Twitter.

Even Apostle Paul said something in 1 Corinthians 9:20-22 - He said to the Jews: I became a Jew, to those that were under the Law I became under the Law even if I myself is not under the Law.

So, you have on Twitter where you have a lot of People, as Youths will say: "Gba's"; "GBO's" - They want to give you back to back like that.

You must be able to understand the language that People are speaking Per time.

You must be able to understand that: Ha, this Place has a Particular kind of understanding People have when it comes to this Social Media Channel.

So, I cannot go on Monday morning and go and be Posting on LinkedIn that: Oh, come to my Church on Sunday.

You won't come on a Monday morning and hit on Professionals - People that are in the business world, People that are Career People.

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So, you must understand the Peculiarity of each Channel.

If I'm going to be Posting on LinkedIn for instance about my Church; I will be Posting for instance Job opportunities.

If I'm going to Post things on Twitter; you should look at what is trending today and be able to adapt that as the Strategy of your Evangelism, or as your Strategy of Winning Souls to God.

Also like I said about the Greatest Commission, so that the Greatest Commission will not become the Greatest Omission of our life.

We as Young People, we as Pastors, we as Church we must be able and we must consciously be able to adapt everything that we are doing to an audience that is Virtual.

I guarantee you that when you have one hundred (100) Members in your Church or two hundred (200) Members; there is a multiplying effect of them that can be your Member on Social Media Channel.

There is this amplifying effects that a Proper Social Media Strategy does for a Church because you realised that there are so many People this kind of Message you are Preaching - There are some People who are out of the Country where you are might even be attending their own Church Service but because of the disparity in the time Zone; you have somebody in Canada that also goes to Church on Sunday but he loves your Message, he loves the way your Church Ambient is, he loves the way you do things in your Church - So definitely Provided your contents are Good.

It is not when you are Streaming, everything including Audio is Poor. The Person now becomes your Virtual Member and the Person feels like I'm Part of the family of this Church wherever I am.

And we must also understand that everything that we do on Social Media should be done with utmost Precision as well.

We should not say because it is Social Media, it has now become a dumping ground.

No; there are so many Churches that I have attended that when I see them on Social Media; the Church looks like Heaven already but when you get to the Church; you are like: "So, this is the way you guys are?"

Because there is this level of Packaging they have put into it on their Social Media Platform that you will even enjoy Particularly on their Social Media than even be there in the Live Services because there is this intentionality that they have put into it.

And that is what we as Christians, we as children of God should also set the Bar, set the Standards.

We all watch the English Premiership, we watch the Champion's League, we watch Award Shows - We watch all of these things; why can't we allow our own Live Streaming to maintain these Standards as well.

Yes, these things are expensive, these things are Capital Intensive, they consume a lot of equipments and data and all of these things but there is a way you can start and Progressively improve on what you have.

For instance, you want to set up Live Streaming in your Church, it is not compulsory you get all the HD Cameras and all the Mixers and all those Fix Stuffs. You can start with a Proper Phone and with a Proper Settings, the Proper Arrangements and Proper Sound and Lightning; you will get at least you can get an HD or SD Streaming.

These things are readily available on YouTube - And very easy and straight to the Point,

You can use a Normal Phone - An Android or iPhone and just download all these Apps that are User friendly and does not involve all of these Technicalities for you to Proceed with your HD Live Streaming as the case may be.

So many Pastors, so many Social Media Leaders or Heads, feel that: Oh, for me to achieve this level, I must break the bank.

Yes, there is a level to achieve to break the bank but there is also a level that you can start with that you don't have to break the bank for when it comes to Social Media.

There are some things that you can do with your "Ordinary Cam Holder" that when People see outside with Proper Lightning, People will be amazed at the level of Professionalism that you have put into it.

And if you are a Person that don't even have a Church yet but you are looking at Digital Evangelism; you are looking at Social Media Evangelism; God has created the Greatest Light for us - God gave us the Greatest Light, infact the Greatest Equipment.

... Everything has been Provided by God.

You will understand that: Oh, if I'm in the house I must not sit down backing the Sun - God has Provided the Sun there as the Most important form of Light.

So, when I face the Sun already; it already gives me that kind of ambience that I already want instead of going to look for a Canoe flow Light or Parkers or whatever.

... Yes, that level you will get there!

But when you start in God and you look inside of you; you will find all of the things that you want there and then you will achieve your Social Media Objectives.

Oh, you will say: I don't want my face to look burnt I just want my face to look cool; then look for a very quiet Garden - Go under the tree, you will get that field, even that amazing effect that you want on your Video.

You can try it out if you think that it is something that is so far fetched.

But they are basic - Very simple things you can do.

Also you run a Broadcast, you run Audio Live Streaming - Yes, there is a level you get to when you get your Sound Card and all of these things. But there is a level you can start with your basic Phone and you put your Phone down in a quite environment go inside your wardrobe that has clothes - The clothes there will absorb the Sound that is coming in.

And you will say whatever you want to say, you will go Live, do whatever you want to do there and there without the effect of noise.

And there are Apps that you can download that are Noise Cancellers - A lot of Apps free of charge that can cancel noise. You need to take out all of these things.

And from then, that is where you start Progressing.

The Bible says: The Part of the Righteous will get Brighter and Brighter until the Perfect Day.

.. So until you get that Perfect Day, there will always be improvement.

When you look at the best Church today and you say: Their Media is so on Point, their Media is Top Notch; but there are some People in the Church, in the Media Department that will be saying: Oh Pastor, we need to get these Equipments. But you outside, you are saying this Church media is very Perfect.

You must have to understand that the Part where you have to keep working, keep striving but you have to take things not at your own Pace but at the Pace of God.

Also we need to understand that you cannot do Social Media alone - When it comes to Social Media and Digital Media and Evangelism; you cannot do it alone regardless of how much you feel you have, the expertise, regardless of all the knowledge or whatever the case may be. You need People to actualize some of the Goals that you are trying to achieve with respect to your Social Media.

You need Graphic Designers, you need Photographers, you need Video Editors, you need Content Writers, you need Directors - You need all of these things.

But the sweetest thing about all of these People is that within that sphere of the small Church, within the sphere of your family you can get them.

How? - Your Photographer can just be your sister that can just handle your Phone and you show her how to take Pictures well with your Android Phone

Your Cinematographer might just be your brother that you buy a Tripod for and you say put this Phone on the tripod and this is the way it should go.

Your Sound Engineer might just be your cousin that you say: Take this Phone and download this App for the Noise Canceller.

.. And all of these and before you know what is happening; you develop all of these People.

I will give you a short story: I for once never study anything in respect to Media or Computer Science - I studied Biochemistry in my First Degree.

But I realised that there is a Need in my Church back home for Media and we started then with our basic "Easy Worship" and all of these things.

But at some Point, I felt that we need to improve, we needed to get things done; so I started researching Online.

I found New Softwares that we could use.

When all of those were done; People in Church were saying: Oh, this is nice, Media Department is doing well.

And we moved on and continue trying to look for ways by which we could improve the Media Department and while I was doing that I didn't know I was training myself - I was learning. And all the knowledge I was getting to help the Church, to have the Media Department that was so on Point was also being embedded in me.

All those knowledge and the wisdom, they became the bedrock of what I will start my own Media Journey by and with.

So, I want to encourage somebody there: You might feel that you don't have all the equipments yet, you might feel these things are too expensive but regardless of what you have, no matter how small that equipment is - Start Small; no matter how big that equipment is - Start Small also.

You might think like and say: Pastor, you don't have the Likes and the Followership on Social Media; but I tell you that the day you have the Likes; the day you have that thousands of People that are Following you; those things that you Posted the day that you have two (2) People Liking your Pictures, People will still come back to it and look at it.

You have to understand that the things that you do in the days of "Little Beginning", the things that you sow when you started that Social Media Page - Those Pictures that were looking so Old, those Pictures that were looking so Unprofessional that you Posted then; People will still come back and make reference to it.

And those things now become Part of the content for ten (10) Years time.

So for instance; you want to Participate in Throwback Challenge; you will go back to those Pictures that you posted five (5) Years ago.

And even the Good things is that Facebook will remind you - Facebook will bring back that Picture and it will now become content and still will become Part of your Testimonies.

... And you will say: God Thank You for how far You have brought us because you might have changed Phones, you might changed Systems, you might have changed whatever as the case may be.

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So, the Algorithms now bring those ones back for you - So you have to understand that you must Start Small.

And as I close you might have felt that you have wasted times with respect to your Social/Digital Media Goals, you felt that these things that I'm doing is a waste of time.

Or you felt that Pastor I have wasted five (5) Years in Digital Media Department, I have wasted two (2) Years in Digital Media Department but there is an Institute in Heaven that is able to bring back all of the Years that you have wasted.

That institute is called the "Institute of Restoration.

He said: I have restored all the years that the locust, cankerworm and the caterpillar has eaten.

So, Probably you have wasted money, you have done Posters and there are no results; God is saying He will restore all those years back in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Let us Pray!

CLOSING PRAYER

And so our Heavenly Father in Heaven; we Thank You and Worship You because you are God.

We Thank You for this time out with Your children; we Thank You for this time out with Your People.

We Thank You for the fact that they are determined what their Goals will be with respect and in alignment to the kingdom in the name of Jesus.

We Pray that at the end of the day, we will not do all of these things on Digital Media unto ourselves but everything that we will do will be done unto You in the Name of Jesus.

Thank You Lord for answering our Prayers.

For in Jesus Name we Pray - Amen!!!

Thank you so much for staying all through to read.

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TALK 1 (EVENING SESSION): PASTOR AJAYI ADENIRAN

TOPIC: FOLLOWING THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR

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BIBLE TEXT: REVELATION 22:16

Somebody shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!!!!

OPENING PRAYER

Thank You Father.

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Thank You Jesus for the Privilege to be alive, even to be Part of this Year Conference - The Convention of the Young Adults and Youth Ministry of The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG).

We want to celebrate You.

We want to Thank You against all odds that we are here. The enemy thought that he had locked us down but we are not locked down, we are up standing.

We celebrate You our Father.

As we continue in this Conference, I Pray that Lord Your Hands will rest upon us and there will be a Manifestation of Your Spirit that will turn things around in our lives, individually and severally.

I want to Thank God for all that He has done thus far and for all that He is yet to do because I know that better days are ahead and the Glory of God will be seen in the life of everyone watching across the Globe in the Name of Jesus Christ - Amen.

APPRECIATION

I want to use this opportunity to thank God for my father in the Lord and my Mother in Israel -The General Overseer of The Redeemed Christian Church of God, Pastor E.A Adeboye and Pastor (Mrs) Folu Adeboye; for this rare honour, for this Privilege.

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And I want to thank my Great Leader; one of the AGO (Assistant General Overseer), the one in Charge of our Youth Adults and Youth Ministry - Who is one of our Mentors in this Great Ministry.

We celebrate you sir, Pastor Ona Peter Amenkhienan.

Thank you because as you guys are leading us, we are following and we believed that God will take all of us to Heaven by the Special Grace of God.

The Topic before me is: FOLLOWING THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR

In the Book of Revelation 22:16 the Bible says:

16. I Jesus have sent my Angel to testify to you these things for the Churches. I am the root and the descendant of David the Bright Morning Star.

Peter also in one of his Epistles in 2 Peter 1:19 made it clear and it says:

19. And we have the Prophetic Word more fully confirmed which you will do well to Pay attention as to learn Shining in a dark Place until the day dawns and the Morning Star rises in your heart.

The truth of the matter is that we are in a very sensitive time.

If there is anytime we want the Light of God to shine brighter, this is the time.

I have checked the Scriptures and I discovered that there are about three (3) Dispensations that we are Passing through:

1. The first (1st) one is at the Creation - When God created the Heavens and the Earth in Genesis 1.

The Bible recorded that the enemy came (Satan came) to attack that which God has done with darkness - And that is in Genesis 1: 1-5.

But the answer God gave Satan is to release His Light.

He said Let there be Light and there was Light.

And that is why God could be able to create everything that we see today because the Light of God exposes the work of the devil.

And also as the Old Testament is coming to the end in the Book of Malachi we discovered that the enemy came with darkness again and the Theologian has made us to know that they are about four hundred years (400 years) of Silence, Dark Age.

But what happened as we look into the Book of Malachi 4:2; the Bible recorded again that Light came, the Son of righteousness arise with Healings in His Wings and go forth to break forth.

And looking also, the Book of Matthew 4:12-17 - Precisely I will just take verse 16 – 17.

16. The People which sat in darkness saw great light and to them which sat in the region and shadows of death light is sprung up.

17. From that time Jesus began to Preach and to say repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.

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So, God has to attack the darkness of that time with the Light by bringing Jesus the Son of the Living God to come and change the course of event on Earth.

And in the Passage where the Theme of this Great Conference has been taken - Which is from Revelation 22, we discovered that the Bright and Morning Star. Revelation 22:16 (ESV), let me quickly read that:

16. I Jesus have sent my Angel to testify to you these things for the Churches; I am the root and the descendant of David the Bright Morning Star.

So the Bible made it clear that the End Time also will be disastrous - There will be darkness according to the Word of God in 2 Timothy 3:1

That in the last day's Perilous Time shall come - All kinds of things will be happening; evil will be on the increase and nobody can change that.

And if there is anytime that is happening; it is now - We see evil on the increase.

We are just Passing through one right now, Covid-19.

But God has the answers to devil every time he raises his ugly head - Glory be to God in the Highest!

In creation; He had answers for him; in the Middle of Age, He had answers (In the Old Testament/New Testament).

Now in our Time; when everything is almost coming to an End; He also has answers.

And that is why in the Book of Micah 4:1 and Isaiah 2:1-2 is saying the same thing.

He says: In the Last days, the Mountain of the Lord shall be established up the Hills and be exalted and People shall flow into it.

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Why? - Because that is where the answer will be coming.

Even though darkness will be on the increase, evil will be on the increase but the darker the darkness the Brighter the Light.

So, God has answers to every insults of the Devil - So that in the Last day the darkness that will come, I will exhort my Church because the Light of God will be resident in my Church.
And who are the Carrier of this Light?

Joel 2:26-28 made it clear: "Precisely it said in the Last days, He will Pour His Spirit upon all flesh. And your sons and daughter (I am Paraphrasing it) will Prophesy and the Old men will dream dreams.

So, God have answers to every insults of the devil.

There will be Darkness in the Last days and also there will be Spirit of God moving in the life of his People.

And who are the People that God wants to use these End Time?

They are the Young ones - You and I; Young Adults. The People that are ready.

And that's why this Topic is so Paramount.

And whenever God wants to appear to a man in the way that that man will enjoy the Needs that He expects from God or God will meet that Need; God will come in the Way that that man will best understand Him.

For example: If you are a Shepherd, you are real animals - God will come with the Parable that has to do with animals.

So, when He met Moses at the back of the desert in Exodus 3:14; He introduce Himself as: I Am that I Am.

And you remembered the rod that was in the hands of Moses which is for the Shepard - He asked him to throw it on the floor.

And what happened? - It turned to snake.

And He said pick it up - It is by this rod that you will rule over Pharaoh!

So, God has a way of relating to us the best way we can understand.

So, when He says: He is the Bright and Morning Star; He is talking about what He is going to do in the Last days.

Brightness means something that comes with illumination to expose all the darkness around.

And when you talk about "Morning Star"; it is a Star that gives Hope for the day, for a New day; a New Beginning.

So, Bright and Morning Star means illumination that is coming to give birth to a New day, a New Beginning.

And if there is any day that I believed God is set to start a New Beginning; it is this day because you are in this meeting I am in this meeting or reading now on the Label of DMC - So God is going to start something New in your life, in my life in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

So when we talk about: "Following", the word "Following" is a continuous tense.

It is not just "Follow" in Verb, it is a Continuous Tense.

That means it is not one time thing. It is a continuous thing - You have to keep doing it.

So, "Follow" means: "To Submit" to another Person's Leadership or Authority.

"To Follow" means to take step in accordance to one that is leading you in the direction of the one that is leading you.

"To Follow" means to focus on somebody that is ahead of you; that is leading you.

It is also important for us to know that we cannot follow somebody Faithfully if we don't really know that Person.

And it is dangerous to follow somebody you don't know.

So, it starts with knowing the Person.

... You must know the Person you want to follow.

This is very important or else you will fall into the wrong hand.

And the Bible made it clear - Jesus himself said: I know My Sheep, my Sheep knows Me and they hear My Voice, they will not follow Strangers and they will not hear the voice of a Stranger.

So, the first and most important thing about following the Bright and Morning Star is to know the Bright and Morning Star which is the Lord Jesus as in that Scriptures.

That is the first thing.

So, if you have not known Him, then you cannot follow Him.

And not just following Him, you must follow Him intimately because it is possible for you to be distracted and to be carried away and lose focus if you are not following him intimately.

If Elisha had not follow Elijah intimately; he would have lost focus and he would have missed his blessing.

So, Intimacy is important, Intimacy is non-negotiable in following not just following because many people follow and they don't follow through.

So, it is to follow through that will make us to get the Rewards.

And I Pray for you and I Pray for myself and for as many that have laid their hands upon the Plough, anything that will want you to look back from following Him; the Lord will deal with it in your life in this Service or as you read now on the Label of DMC in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

And you must focus on the Person you are following; and you must serve the Person you are following because it is in the Service that the Spirit of the Person you are following will imbibe in you; will rub on you.

Nothing comes free - Nothing Good in Particular comes free.

Elisha could not have received the "Double Portion" of the Anointing of Elijah if he had not served him while Joshua too served Moses.

That is the way it works!

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So, it is not just following carelessly, you have to follow dedicatedly - This is very important.

... You must serve the Person you are following.

And when we talk about following we mean to be a Servant - You must become a Servant.

You can read John 10:1-5.

To be a Servant or Disciple of the Person you are following; it also means an Imitator of the Person.

Just like 1 Corinthians 11:1 put it.

He said: Imitate me as I imitate Christ.

This is very important!

That means just as 2 Corinthians 3:18; I believed, that says:

"As we behold ourselves in the mirror of the Word of God (I am Paraphrasing this), we are changed from glyory to Glory".

You become like Him - Just like they said concerning the Disciples in Antioch that these are Christians because they are following Him through and they began to see the Nature of Christ in them; the Virtues of Christ in them because they are following Him intimately.

I Pray for you and I Pray for myself - Even as Young People, everything that is fighting us, that is challenging us, that is battling us, causing us to be distracted from following Him intimately; Jehovah God will deal with it right now in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

I Pray that as we come out of this Encounter or after reading this on the Label of DMC, there will be a Great move of God and wherever we find ourselves we will not be ordinary anymore - Amen.

Jehovah God will begin to move Mightily in each life and every facets of our lives in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

So we have talked about the word "Follow" or "Following"; and we talked about the Bright and Morning Star who is our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now I want to quickly talk about how we should follow - How should we follow this Bright and Morning Star?

We must follow Him willingly and with His Will be our desire not our own Will because following Him is not going to be easy because He Himself is a Disciplinarian.

He is the Master of the Universe and He does not take nonsense.

He is a man that is focus.

He said my Father work and I must work. He said I must do the work of my Father when it Pleases Him because Night comes that nobody will be able to work.

So, He is a man of Discipline.

And because He is a man of discipline, we must also be disciplined because we can't even be His follower, His Disciples if we are not discipline.

So, we must let His Will be our Will - Not our own Will.

Even as Young Adults and Youths; we must not follow Him with "Permissive Will"; we must follow Him with His Will.

That is what happened in the Garden of Gethsemane - Because what happened to Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane will happen to each and every one of us.

In the Garden of Gethsemane Jesus was face-to-face with His Destiny - His Destiny was tried because that was the Original Purpose, that is the main reason why He came to die on the Cross.

And in that Garden of Gethsemane, His immediate friends, His Inner Circle that suppose to be there for Him at the right time He needed them most; they disappointed Him - They were fast asleep because Jesus' Problem is not their Problem.

... And this is very important - Jesus Problem is not their Problem. They see it as Jesus Problem.

And until we come out of that Mentality even as Young Adults and Youths; and begin to see Jesus' Problem as our Problem, Jesus' Challenges as our Challenges, Jesus Needs as our Needs; we will not be able to evangelize the whole world and we will not be able to do what is Needful in our various areas of assignments.

God has raised us in this Generation - Pouring His Spirit upon us in every areas we find ourselves: In our Secular work, in our Professional circles; God has put us there to be His Ambassador, to be his Representative, to let His Light shine through us.

The Bright and Morning Star wants to reveal Himself through us in every areas we find ourselves.

And that is why we must submit to His Will - That is how to follow Him.

We must Love Him - We must love what He loves and hate what He hates.

That is the only way we can follow him.

That is how it happened to the Apostles of Old, to the Christians of Old.

If you look into the Book of Hebrews Chapter 11 from Verse 1 through to the end - The record of the Great men and women of God that lived to fulfill God's Purpose in their time.

They followed God with love - With love for God, love for themselves and love also for the Brethren.

When that is settled, they also love the entire Population.

... They love God, they love themselves, they love the Brethren and they love even the Unbeliever because the Unbelievers are the ones they are sent to.

Just even in our own time too, the first thing we must do is to love God:

1. When you love God, you obey Him.

2. When you love God, you serve Him.

3. When you love God, you don't want to offend Him; you don't want to hurt Him.

Somebody you love, you don't want to hurt that Person. You want to treat that Person like an egg.

With love, with care you want to cherish that Person.

And we have to follow Him bearing His burden like I have said earlier.

The Bible recorded concerning Elisha and Elijah - He (Elisha) pour water in the hands of Elijah.

The same thing Joshua did for Moses. The same thing Ruth did for Naomi.

And we know all these People if we look at their life, they have the rewards because nothing Good comes free.

God will not ask us to do anything that He will not reward us for.

And He will not ask us to do anything He has not done before.

Jesus followed God and that is why He is asking us to follow Him - He said by bearing His burdens and forgiving one another.

Time will not Permit us, Colossian 3:13 says: Forgiving one another.

Because one of the things that is affecting our Generation is Majorly Unforgiveness.

And this is very important; we cannot really make or great move if Unforgiveness is still dominating our life.

We have to follow Him in our Giving - We have to follow Him because He is a Giver.

He said what else can I not give to a friend? - I lay down my life for you.

What else can I not give?

So, every Young Adults, Youths, everyone listening, every child of God and everyone reading now on the Label of DMC; your focus, your Purpose, your Passion must be: Let me give my all.

Your talent is there for you to Give; your Treasure is there for you to Give to serve God and your time.

Oh, I want to marry first - No!

Who tell you that Jesus will not come before you get married?

Anything can happen anytime. You only have the time now you have, you don't know what is going to happen next.

So, that is why you must maximize the moment.

Your Talent is God's Own Gift that He gave you. Your Treasures is God's Own Gift that he gave you. Your time is God's Own Gift that He gave you.

You must also follow Sacrificially - Not just wishy-washy, not just the lackadaisical way of serving. It must be with sacrifice.

You must deny yourselves as Young People.

This is the time you have to really serve God with all your Strength - When you become family man, family woman with a lot of responsibilities; there may be a little slowing down.

But now that you still have everything, you can move around, you can fly around; put your best into it because it will be waiting for you in the future as a reward.

You must follow also Obediently - Absolute Obedience, Total Obedience not half Obedience.

Half Obedience is not Obedience.

Righteousness is not negotiable when it comes to following him.

He told Abraham - He said: Walk before me and be thou Perfect.

You must follow Him in Humility because 2 Timothy 3:1, you will read down - Perilous time shall come.

What the Bible made clear in one of the evils of the last days is UNTHANKFULNESS.

People will become ungrateful and they will be full of ego as if it's my Knowledge, it's my Wisdom - it's this, it's that, that is making me to who I am.

No, it is all about God.

Humility is very important - Jesus humbles Himself to the very Point of death.

He humbles Himself and that is why He could get the Name that is above every other names.

You want to outshoot your colleagues, you want to outshine them, you want to stand out among the standard - It is in Humility.

When you Humble yourself at the very Hand of God, He will exalt you.

Your righteous is a form of exaltation - It Promotes a Nation; it lifts up a Nation.

And if it lifts up a Nation, it lifts up the People.

But unrighteousness brings down - So righteousness is not negotiable.

What about Loyalty?

Loyalty is not negotiable.

To be Loyal is to fully believe and serve without any reservation in the Person you are following regardless of the negatives of his weakness as you have made up your mind to follow, you follow through.

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And in Jesus there is no weakness, there is no negative - It is all about Positive.

So, hindrances in following the Bright and Morning Star:

One of the things I have seen in our Generation, the Young Adults and Youths is that our Dreams, our Visions, our Goals are now occupying our heart more than God - Matthew 4:19.

And this is very dangerous because anything that will stand in-between you and God, God can take care of that because God becomes Jealous over that thing.

That is why Matthew 6:33 says: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all other things shall be added unto you".

So, if it is your wife, if it is your son, if it is your daughter; whatever,

If it is your carrier that want to stands between you and God; not to do what God has called you to do God can take care of it.

And that is why it is very important that: All our Dreams, all our Vision must be embedded in God's fulfillment of our Destiny and the Purpose He has raised us.

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Matthew 8:22; I have mentioned it briefly - I want to get married, I want to finish my carrier, I want to do this, I want to do that.

These are lame excuses that have no Ground, no Stand.

LIFE CHALLENGES:

I have seen again and again when we are in the Social world, you see on the Internet - People that don't have two (2) hands, they don't have two (2) legs, and they don't have anything; they still serve God. They still give their life to serve God.

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There are thousands of millions of People that you are better off; so don't give any excuse and don't allow any challenge in your life to stop you.

Ruth follows Naomi - She said: Your God will be my God, your People will be my People.

Her husband just died - No husband, no children and she didn't know where she is going but she follows because she saw a God.

It is about the God that is in the life of Naomi not about the husband that she is going to get married to.

But offer went back and that was the end.

Earthly pursuit is one of the challenges - Last day syndromes that I have talked about that in 2 Timothy 3:1.

What are the benefits?

Of course the benefits are numerous but the time will not Permit me.

But the Truth of the matter is that when you follow Him you will not lack any Good Thing - He will be there for you. He will honour you.

Matthew 19:29, Matthew 19:28 - These are the Passages you can read at your own time.

Matthew 4:19 says: He will honour you.

John 12:26 says: If any man serve Me, let Him follow Me. And where I am, there shall also My Servant be; If any man serve Me, him will My Father honour

Look at that: "Honour" - Honour in every areas.

Eternity with Him is Guaranteed.

Sitting with Him in Glory is Guaranteed.

Needs are met.

And the crown of Glory.

Dangers of turning away from following Him:

That is very important - That is where I am closing.

Hebrews 10:38-39 says:

38. Now the Just shall live by Faith: but if any man drawback, my Soul shall have no Pleasure in him.

39. But we are not of them who draw back unto Perdition, but of them that believe to the saving of the Soul

So, if we refused to follow Him - That individual is heading towards Perdition, towards destruction.

That will not be your Portion, that will not be my Portion in the Name of Jesus Christ - Amen.

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And I believe as many that are making that decision that I will follow Him today; God will begin to move you in the right direction because He is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

He cannot mislead you - He knows where He is going. He knows what He will do.

This is the Portion of somebody. Maybe you are confused, you are in the State of dilemma, all you need to do is to declare for Him today.

You have not given your life to Jesus, that is the first place to start.

Just follow me by saying: Lord Jesus, I am a sinner. I am sorry for my mistake, for my sins. I ask that you forgive me. I repent of all my sins. I accept you as my Lord and Saviour today and never to go back - Amen.

If you have said that you are saved - Hallelujah!

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CLOSING PRAYER

I Prophesy Goodness and Mercy to be upon you; to follow you all the days of your life.

And everyone that is watching, listening and reading now on the Label of DMC - And on the Last day, when the Roll is Called beyond yonder; all of us will be Present to reign with our Master (The Bright and Morning Star) in Jesus Name - Amen.

God Bless You - Hallelujah!

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Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

I welcome us this wonderful time in the Presence of God or as you read this Message on the Label of DMC.

Day Two (2) of the Virtual Annual Youth Convention, tagged: "THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR".

It is my Prayer that God will raise wonderful Stars amongst us, in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen!

Let us Pray!

OPENING PRAYER

Our Eternal Father, we Thank You for You are Faithful.

We Bless Your Holy Name for this Great time in Your Presence.

Thank You Father because in You we Live, in You we Move, in You we have our Being!

As we go into Your Words, Please Holy Spirit, speak Your Words to our hearts.

Thank You Precious Father; in Jesus' Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Let someone shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

I sincerely want to Thank God for the life of our father in the Lord (Pastor E.A Adeboye), the General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God.

And our beloved Mummy, Pastor Folu Adeboye. May the Lord Bless you, in Jesus' Name - Amen.

I equally want to the thank the AGO Youth Affairs and AGO Admin and Personnel - Daddy Amenkhienan and Daddy Odesola.

God Bless you!

Thank You for showing us the Way, and ensuring that we follow suite. The Lord will increase you, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

Now, quickly, the Topic before us is: "THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR."

Our Bible Reading is taken from the Book of Revelation 22:16:

"I Jesus have sent mine Angel to testify unto you these things in the Churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the Bright and Morning Star."

Children of God, you understand that Jesus is also called: 'The Bright and Morning Star".

He said: He is the Root of David, and also the Bright and Morning Star.

That means the other Name of Jesus is 'the Bright and Morning Star".

... Not just the 'Bright Star' but the 'Bright and MORNING Star.'

In the Book of Numbers 24, before Jesus Christ was born, there was a Prophecy said about Him.

Numbers 24:17 - "I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a STAR out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth."

Jesus is the Bright and Morning Star; and the Scripture gives a vivid illustration about Him.

- What He is Supposed to do.

- And How He is supposed to RUN His life here on Earth.

We have a long list of People who have done so marvellously well in their chosen careers.

We have Stars in the Football Field, we have Stars here and there. You know, in the Lawn Tennis or whatever!

Everyone who has separated themselves become one Star or the other; that we are talking about today!

But there is something about the Person of Jesus Christ: He is not just a Star, He is THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

Today, we are going to be looking at some Outlines:

1. WHY IS JESUS CALLED THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR?

2. THE CONNECTION BETWEEN JESUS AND US.

3. THE ATTRIBUTES/CHARACTERISTICS OF THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

4. AND WE ARE STARS!

The Bible says He has chosen us to BE LIKE HIM - He said: "As He is, so are we in this world."

So He expects us to RISE and to SHINE in all areas of our life's endeavour.

We are told by Scholars that: 'On a LONG night, the appearance of the morning star means DAY BREAK is imminent.

This explains why John 10:10 says:

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy:

He says: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

The moment you see the Morning Star, it shows that DAY BREAK is about evolving.

The moment you see the Morning Star, it shows that something is opening up to the NEW DAY.

1. SO, WHY IS JESUS CALLED THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR?

I. HE GIVES HOPE.

Jesus is the One who gives Hope to the hopeless.

In the Book of Matthew 11:28; He says:

"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you REST."

Maybe you are in the Season of darkness and things are not actually moving well; the Purpose of the Bright and Morning Star is to give Light; His Purpose is to lighten your darkness.

You cannot have the Bright and Morning Star in your life and still be experiencing DARKNESS.

... Why is Jesus called the Bright and Morning Star?

II. HE GIVES DIRECTION.

In the Book of Matthew 2:2, it talks about the Wise men that came, looking for the Star of JESUS.

Let's look at what they said in that Matthew 2:2:

"Saying, Where is He that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the East, and are come to worship Him."

... They located the Star of JESUS.

They were looking for DIRECTION; and the Star was able to direct them.

There are some People, especially among the Youths and Young Adults - Some of us have LOST direction; you don't know where to GO, or the next STEP to take!

The Bright and Morning Star gives DIRECTION!

And that is one (1) striking function why He is called the Bright and Morning Star.

Apart from giving HOPE, He gives DIRECTION!

The Bible says in the Book of Psalms 32:8; "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye."

When the Bright and Morning Star comes into your life; there is DIRECTION.

When the Bright and Morning Star comes into your life; there is CLARITY of PURPOSE.

... And that is what Jesus has come to do!

Now, the Scriptures talking about it in the Book of 1 John 4:17, it says:

"Herein is our love made Perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as HE IS, so are we in this world."

The Scriptures did not say: 'As He WAS'. It says: 'As He IS.

Who is the Scriptures talking about here?

The Person of JESUS - Jesus is the Bright and Morning Star.

So it says: As Jesus IS, so are WE in this world:

We are to give Direction; we are to give Clarity of Purpose to People that are groping in darkness.

The Bible says in the Book of 2 Corinthians 5:17:

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a New Creature: Old things are Passed away; behold, all things are become New."

When you come in contact with the Bright and Morning Star, you become a STAR yourself!

And that is why the Scripture is saying: As Jesus IS, so are WE in this world:

Every child of God is supposed to be a STAR.

Every child of God is supposed to STAND OUT in the midst of darkness.

The Bible says "And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not." - John 1:5

... And darkness does not understand it!

2. WHAT IS THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR AND US - The Children of GOD?

I. *We are created in the IMAGE and LIKENESS of GOD - To begin to give Clarity of Purpose and Direction to People's life!

The moment you are a Child of God; the ability to illuminate your world has come upon you.

So, the CONNECTION between the Bright and Morning Star and us (as Children of God):

II. The Bible says in the Book of Revelation 1:6 (Paraphrased): "He has raised us as Kings and Priests UNTO HIS GOD."

Jesus is the Bright and Morning Star, and He has RAISED so many STARS to begin to live wonderfully in this world.

... We are meant to be Problem Solvers!

As STARS that we are, we are not supposed to HIDE under Bushels.

The Bibles says: The Light SHINETH in darkness - And we are the Light of the world.

III. So, the connection between us and the Bright and Morning Star is that: Jesus has IMPACTED that life in us.

As the Bright and Morning Star, He has birthed little Stars:

A. People that will begin to command Influence in all areas of their lives.

B. People that will begin to command Exploits in whatever they lay their hands upon.

The Bible talks about two (2) men - Peter and John in the Book of Acts of the Apostles 4:13 - Let us see what it says quickly:

It talks about two (2) wonderful guys, who were not SCHOOLED. They were NOT LEARNED -But there was something about them.

It says: "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and Perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus."

"... They took knowledge of them, that they had been with JESUS."

They got Associated with Jesus, and because of that, they began to SHINE because they were CONNECTED to Jesus!

There is what we call THE LAW OF ASSOCIATION - By the Law of Association, you BECOME who you STAY WITH overtime.

Peter and John dwelt with Jesus during His years on Earth and they began to Shine. They began to command Exploit because they were created as Star also.

That is the Attribute about us been connected to Jesus - He is the Bright and Morning Star and by the Law of Association; we are meant to SHINE in our world.

We are meant to means to be Problem Solvers (as He said). We are meant to give Solution to men.

The Bible also talks about two (2) brothers, Paul and Silas in the same Acts of the Apostles 17:6 - Let us see what it says:

"And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain Brethren unto the Rulers of the City, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;"

... These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also.

Jesus, when He walked on this Earth, He could not be IGNORED.

When Jesus walked on this Earth, People NOTICED Him - They knew something DIFFERENT had happened to them.

Also, when He left the world, He gave POWER unto men to begin to function in the Grace that was given unto Him.

... He gave POWER to men.

Paul and Silas were Commandeers of EXPLOITS; and that is what we saw here.

3. NOW, THE ATTRIBUTES OF JESUS AS THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

We have so much to learn of Him.

There were certain things that made Him to stand out and one of such:

1. Jesus, when He walked on this Earth was HUMBLE.

And when you look at the man called Lucifer, in the Book of Isaiah 14:14 - The Bible even referred to Lucifer as 'Morning Star".

But there was something that distinguished Jesus from Lucifer - JESUS WAS HUMBLE.

In the Book of Philippians 2:6 (Paraphrased) - It says: "He did not count it robbery to be equal with God."

He ABASED Himself; He was HUMBLE to a fault.

But Lucifer eyed the Throne of God. He wanted to be like God; he wanted to be like JESUS; he wanted to take the Throne from GOD.

And the Bible says that when God saw that in his heart; the Scriptures says: He (God) DROVE him (Lucifer) out of Heaven, and some Angels with him!

One (1) striking character of Jesus Christ, as the Bright and Morning Star is the fact that He is HUMBLE.

And ad Children of God, that is something that we should learn from - HUMILITY of heart!

The devil became so Proud, the devil became so envious of God's Throne.

And that was a DISTINCTIVE DIFFERENCE between Jesus and the devil.

... Jesus was HUMBLE; devil was PROUD!

2. Another ATTRIBUTE of the Bright and Morning Star is the fact that: He was FILLED with the HOLY GHOST.

In the Book of Acts of the Apostles 10:38, the Bible says:

"How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with Power: who went about doing Good, and Healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him."

You cannot function without the Holy Spirit.

The Bright and Morning Star was HEAVILY ANOINTED of the Holy Spirit.

3. Another ATTRIBUTE of the Bright and Morning Star; the Bible says in the Book of Luke 6:12 - Talking about when Jesus left the other Disciples to look for a Place to Pray: He was PRAYERFUL.

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Luke 6:12 says: "And it came to Pass in those days, that he went out into a Mountain to Pray, and continued all night in prayer to God."

You hear People talk about: "Jesus started with PRAYER, and He ended with PRAYER."

The Bright and Morning Star, the Man JESUS that we should REFLECT; was a man given to PRAYER.

4. Another ATTRIBUTE of the Bright and Morning Star: He LIVED a PURPOSEFUL Life.

I was telling some People; at the age of twelve (12) Jesus KNEW Purpose!

A Wise man (of Blessed Memory) said: "Where Purpose is not known, ABUSE is inevitable."

Jesus KNEW from the world go, what He was meant to do.

The Bible says that His (Earthly) Parents were looking for Him and they found Him in the Temple.

He said: Why are you looking for me? Are you not aware that I should be in my Father's Business?

At the world go, Jesus knew why He was here - He LIVED a life of PURPOSE.

In the Book of John 9:4; He said: "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

The Attribute of the Bright and Morning Star: A Man that LIVED a Purposeful Life.

Youths and Young Adults, those watching us across the Globe or reading now on the Label of DMC:

- Why are you LIVING?

- What is your PURPOSE; what are you supposed to be doing?

- Do you know WHY you were BORN?

And that is one (1) thing: The moment you Associate with JESUS, you start living a Purposeful Life as a Bright and Morning Star!

Now, Jesus has RAISED us to be Stars. Like I did said in the Book of 1 John 4:17; He said: "As He IS, so are we in this world."

4. WE ARE STARS!

In the world of Sports, you have lots of Stars (without mentioning names); there are some People that have distinguished themselves as Stars;

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- They DON'T LIVE the same life like every other Person;

- They WATCH what they EAT;

- They WATCH what they DRINK;
- They WATCH when they WAKE UP;
- They WATCH when they SLEEP;

... I mean, their life is not like every other Person.

And that is what God also wants us to do - as LIGHT.

When we look at the life of JESUS; as the Bright and Morning Star;

- A Man that was HUMBLE;

- A Man that was PRAYERFUL;

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- A Man that was FILLED with the HOLY SPIRIT.

WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO?

As Youths and Young Adults, I am trusting the Lord that after this Convention - As a matter of fact, before this Convention is over or you finished reading this Message on the Label of DMC: God is Raising up STARS, in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen!

1. You are supposed to WATCH the COMPANY YOU KEEP.

In the Book of Proverbs 13:20, it says: "He that walketh with Wise men shall be wise: but a companion of Fools shall be destroyed."

For those Youths and Young Adults that are watching out there or reading this now on the Label of DMC - You want to be a STAR? Then WATCH the Company you keep.

It is written in 2 Corinthians 6:14: "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what Fellowship hath Righteousness with Unrighteousness? and what Communion hath light with darkness?"

You cannot desire to be a STAR, and not WATCH the kind of People that you HANG OUT WITH.

I said, by Law of Relationship: "You become who you stay with, over time!"

There is this story in the Book of 2 Samuel 13:3.

We read about two (2) men called Jonadab and Amnon. The Bible says:

"But Amnon had a friend, whose name was Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother: and Jonadab was a very subtil man."

... and Jonadab was a very SUBTIL man!

Amnon wanted to sleep with his sister, Tamar but he did not know how to go about it. And so, he had a friend called Jonadab;

So Jonadab asked him: As a son of a King, why are you like this?

He said, I love my sister Tamar!

Then Jonadab gave him an advice; and he (Amnon) carried out the instruction.

No wonder, in the Book of Proverbs 1:10, the Bible says: "My son, if sinners entice thee, CONSENT THOU NOT".

Do you want to be a STAR? - Then WATCH your Company!

It was the Counsel that Jonadab gave to Amnon that cut his life short because he was KILLED by Absalom (his brother).

Jonadab was a very SUBTIL man!

His Association with Amnon caused the latter's untimely death.

As a matter of fact, in the Book of 2 Samuel 13:32-33, the Bible says that it was even Jonadab that announced the death of Amnon.

Beloved, who are your friends?

How can you be a STAR? - Because of your Association with the Bright and Morning Star as Youths and Young Adults.

2. We need to Live a SANCTIFIED Life.

A life that is SET APART for God! A life that is DEDICATED to God.

In the Book of John 14:30 (Paraphrased) Jesus speaking, He said: "For the Prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me."

As the Bright and Morning Star, He was STAINLESS - There was no STAIN in Him.

So, if we want to pattern our life in Him, as Youths and Young Adults that we are;

Then we need to live a SANCTIFIED Life.

There was this man that lived like Jesus in the Book of Daniel 6:4 - Talking about the man called Daniel.

All the Princes of that land wanted to nail Daniel - So they tried if they could get a fault in him.

But the Bible says, there was NONE!

They couldn't find any fault against Daniel.

Beloved Youths, to be a Star - in Association with the Bright and Morning Star, you have to live a SANCTIFIED LIFE.

3. The other attribute that will make you a Star is: To Live a Life that LOVES SOUL WINNING.

In the Book of Daniel 12:3, the Bible says: "And they that be Wise shall Shine as the Brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

... And they that turn many to Righteousness as the STARS for ever and ever.

Jesus was given to SOUL WINNING.

He said in John 9:4:

"I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

As the Bright and Morning Star, the moment He comes into your life: The ability to WIN SOULS; the hunger for Souls will come upon you.

And that is what the Scripture says in Daniel 12:3B - It says those that win souls will SHINE forever!

The devil was full of Pride, and the Bible calls him: A FALLEN STAR - fallen from Heaven.

Beloved Youth and Young Adult, there is a story of a man called Samson.

Samson was heavily Anointed of God:

- He was supposed to be a STAR in his Generation;

- He was supposed to Pattern his life according to the dictates of God.

But Samson was CARELESS with his life, that he LOST Purpose.

The Spirit of God would come upon Samson, He will lift a gate and command Exploits!

In another Chapter, you will see Samson go and do something that will annoy the Holy Spirit.

He kept on doing it, until a time came that the Holy Spirit could not condone that any more!

.. And what happened?

In Judges 16:20, the Bible says: "And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him."

The Bible says: He not know that the Spirit of the LORD had departed from him.

Beloved Youth and Young Adult, to get to the Point where God has created you to be a Star:

There are certain Qualities you must Possess.

There are certain Prices that you have to Pay.

- ... And these are the Prices that we have talked about.
- You must be Holy;
- You must live a Sanctified life;
- And a life that is given to Soul Winning.
Jesus is a man who lived a life of Purpose.

Jesus is the man who lived His life from the world go, He knew what He was supposed to do.

- Why are you LIVING?

- Why are you HERE?

Youths and Young Adults, are Stars meant to SHINE; wherever we are: In our Career, anywhere we find ourselves.

... We are supposed to REPRESENT JESUS.

Romans 8:19 says: "For the Earnest Expectation of the Creature waiteth for the Manifestation of the sons of God."

God is expecting us to TAKE CHARGE;

God is expecting us to RULE in our world as stars that we are.

Stars are appreciated in the DARK.

I heard one (1) of the Speakers talking about the RELEVANCE of SALT: Salt is meant to PRESERVE.

And so, as Stars; we are supposed to SHINE in the midst of darkness.

And that is what the Lord is saying; Stars are appreciated in DARKNESS.

In Places where Light is not appreciated, when we see a Child of God that is functioning in that regard; you begin to Command Exploits.

Nigeria and the world at large need You! Nigeria and the world at large need STARS

People that will Pattern their lives according to the dictates of God.

In the Book of John 1:5, the Bible says: "And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not."

What are you supposed to RUN AWAY FROM, as Stars?

... That is **YOUTHFUL LUST**!

The Bible enjoins us to run away from Youthful Lust.

The Bible enjoins us to live a life of Purity, a life of holiness, a lift that will give God Praise.

A life that is a Reference Point; that when People looks at us, they will know that: Yes; just like they said concerning Peter and John: These ones have been with Jesus Christ.

In case there is someone there or reading this Message on the Label of DMC, you have searched your life; and your life is Purposeless, there is no Clarity of Purpose, there is Nothing that speaks about Direction in your life.

When the Bright and Morning Star comes into your life, everything will begin to take Shape.

In the Book of Genesis 1:2-3, the Bible says:

"And the Earth was without Form, and Void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light."

When that LIGHT enters a man's life, everything will begin to take Shape.

When that LIGHT enters a man's life, darkness will be Dispelled.

And everything that does not have meaning will begin to have meaning.

The Bible talks about Jesus in the Book of Matthew 2:2.

It says: The People looked at His Star and they said; we have SEEN His Star!

... That is DIRECTION!

For those People that have lost Purpose; you have lost Direction; you don't know where to turn to - Whether to the right or to the left - When the Bright and Morning Star enters into your life, everything will take SHAPE!

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ALTAR CALL

I encourage us - As many as are watching all over the Globe or reading now on the Label of DMC: Jesus cannot come into your life and your life is LESS THAN A STAR.

Jesus cannot come into your life and your life will not have MEANING.

Wherever you are, you are saying - Man of God, I have looked into my life; I need Clarity of Purpose, I need Direction.

I like you to Please, say this PRAYER after me (with the whole of your heart). You can put your hand on your chest and say:

LORD JESUS, I come unto You just as I am. Forgive me all my sins; and come into my life and change me. Write my name in the "Book of Life". I am born Again, my sins are forgiven.

... In JESUS' Name - Amen!

In conclusion:

1. God expects us to RULE our world;

2. God expects us to be that LIGHT.

The Bible says in Isaiah 60:1: "Arise, Shine; for thy light is come, and the Glory of the LORD is risen upon thee."

I am believing God so strongly that, before the end of this Virtual Convention; God will RAISE Wonderful Stars that will begin to command exploit in ALL their life's endeavour, in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen!

Thank You Precious Father.

In Jesus' Name we have Prayed - Amen!

CLOSING PRAYER

Eternal Father, we Thank You!

We Love You because You have loved us!

We Thank You for the Gift that Lord, You have given unto us - in Person of JESUS!

Thank You for the Spirit that is in the life of Jesus; that is found in our lives by extension.

Lord, we Pray; Grace to begin to MANIFEST that Light, we receive in Jesus' Name!

Help us to be LIGHT; help us to be STARS; to begin to COMMAND Exploits, in the Name of JESUS.

Thank You Holy Spirit; in Jesus' Name we have Prayed - Amen!

If you know God has Blessed you, shout Hallelujah - HALLELUJAH!

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Compiled by www.discoverymediacrew.com (080-2360-4721) Facebook: @Dmc MediaCrew Twitter: @discoverymediac Instagram: @Discoverymediacrew Youtube Discovery Media Crew Email:info@discoverymediacrew.com Well, let somebody shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

Oh, come on! I need all the Youths and Young Adults, individuals of RCCG; if you know that you know that you are a GOD CHASER; I need you to jump up on your feet and shout the loudest Hallelujah - HALLELUJAH!!!!

Glory to God!

Come on, Let us Pray!

OPENING PRAYER

Spirit of the Living God, I Thank You now, for what I sense you are going to do.

You have called us together for such a time as this: To be Empowered, to be Impacted, to be Inspired - to carry out an Assignment.

And so, I speak into the atmosphere, concerning every Person that is viewing this all over the world, or reading on the Label of DMC; that today, Destinies will Change - Today, Destinies will Change for the better!

And from everything that has been locked down, the Gate is springing open, and you are going to be going forth with INTENSE POWER.

In Jesus' Name, I decree it so!

Amen and Amen. Glory to God!

I am so excited about the opportunity to come in to Minister to you and to share with you what the Almighty God has Placed on my heart concerning the Season that we are in now.

And for you specifically, as Youth and Young Adult; in other words, this Generation!

I want to look at the Passage of Scriptures that kind of that serves as our Foundation.

And we are going to spring from there and cover as many things as we can, in the time that is allotted to me.

Acts 13:22 in the New King James Translation; It reads this way:

And when He had removed him, He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave Testimony and said, 'I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will do ALL MY Will".

Once again, the last Part of verse 22 says:

'I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will do all My Will.'

And that little Clause: 'A man AFTER My Own heart.'

From there, I want to deal with the Topic that I have been given today, and that is: TO BE A GOD CHASER.

Do me a favour, turn to someone that is near you. Shout to them (if you have to).

If you are watching this Virtually somewhere or reading on the Label of DMC; Tell somebody that is in your house, in your environment: 'You are looking at a GOD CHASER!'

Say to yourself, say - Hey, hey! Self: 'I AM A GOD CHASER!'

With the given opportunity, if you look at the very last Chapter (Chapter No. 22) of the very last Book of the Bible - the Book of Revelation. When you go down to verse No. 16 - Revelation 22: 16.

You are going to hear the Lord Jesus Christ identify Himself for the LAST time. And calls Himself: 'THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR".

Revelation 22:16, here is the Lord Jesus Christ saying: "... I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star".

This is a traded Passage of Scripture that has a lot of implications.

Let me just read out three (3) very quickly before I move on. It is Implying that:

1. Because He is in the last Book and it is the last way that He identifies Himself - He wants this to leave a LASTING IMPRESSION.

He does not want you to forget what He calls Himself; if you forget anything else, He says: I Am the Bright and Morning Star.'

2. The second (2nd) thing this implies is that; This is something He wants to STICK with you.

Because He is in the LAST BOOK, and the Last Chapter. And it is the LAST Way that He identifies Himself:

He says: I want you to HOLD ON TO THIS NAME that I am calling Myself.

If you forget any other name, Remember this that: I AM THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

3. And then thirdly, it implies that: He is given HOPE of a BRIGHTER TOMORROW.

Because, for Him to say: I Am the BRIGHT and MORNING STAR, He is saying: It does not matter how DARK your Night may be; No matter how DARK your situation may be - He says: if you can LOOK TO ME, your tomorrow is going to be ALRIGHT!

Come on, say it to your of own self. Say: My Tomorrow is going to be ALRIGHT!

Now, you are wondering: Pastor Bamidele, why did you even link that?

Because, that is your OVERALL THEME for this Conference - The THEME of this Virtual Youth and Young Adult Convention is: "THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR."

And so, the Lord Jesus Christ wants to make sure that you are aware that He is saying this; before He then made the statement, saying: 'I Am coming quickly.'

In other words, He is identifying Himself before there is an Advent or a Return, or a Break or a Shift from what has been, to what is now, to take place!

You will remember that a Dark Season of the world's history: Some years gone by; that Wise Men uprooted from where they were and they went looking for the One that was going to be BORN the KING!

And they said they were looking for Him as a result of a BRIGHT STAR that they had seen.

You will see that in Matthew 2:2, when you are going to see where they said that they came to ask of King Herod:

"Where is He who has been born King of the Jews?"

WHY? - "For we have seen His STAR in the East and have come to worship Him.

Which means that whenever the Bright and Morning Star is about to make an Advent or is about to do something; it is because there is about to be a Shift in the world

A SHIFT on how everything is SEEN and how everything is done.

Please, let me tell you that these Astronomers these Astrologers, these Wealthy Scientists that we call 'THE WISE MEN;' they uprooted from where they were in an effort to connect with a New move;

And that SHIFT that had been Prophesied, that had been Preordained, that had been Predestined.

And they said: We want to be a Part; and so we are willing to leave where we are!

... Watch this!

And go after, CHASE after, go looking for what we have been hearing about.

Let me Please announce to everyone of you that are here at this Conference or reading on the Label of DMC: For those of you that are watching this from you homes; for those of you that are sitting in some of your Churches and you are doing this virtually as a Group setting; for those of that are sitting in the Camp Ground - Can I please, tell you that it is not by coincidence, it is not by accident that you are here right now - reading on the Label of DMC.

It is not by coincidence that, the Almighty God as you are listening, as we are speak or reading on the Label of DMC.

Neither the Conference nor the Theme of the Conference, nor my TALK for today, is something that is just coming from out of the air.

It is something that has been Predestined, Preordained and Prophesied because, there is a SHIFT that is taking Place!

And you, this current Generation; in the Culture that we are in right now, what the Almighty God is doing is: He is Raising you up, He is Empowering you.

He is now saying to you that you are the ones that are going to carry the SHIFT.

You are the ones He is going to use at this Season, to be the ones that REIGNITE the Flame.

That REIGNITE the Fire of God that will announce the Arrival or the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ.

There is a SHIFT! - It is like the leg of a race; where one (1) Person runs the leg of the Race.

When they have run their leg, they pass the baton to the next one.

I will never forget that the last time that I was sitting down with my friend and my brother - Dr. Myles Munroe (Blessed Memory of that great Man of God).

We were eating together, and he said something to me. He said: James, I want to tell you about a dream that I had.

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And when he told me the dream, he said that in the dream, he said he gone to a Funeral of a Great Man of God.

He said that when he got close to looking into the Casket of the Great Man of God at the Funeral; he said this - He said when he got close to him, he was in the Casket with his hands crossed. But he was holding on to a baton.

He said: When I tried to grab the baton from his hand, he held a death grip on it and was holding on to the baton.

He then said that he woke up from the dream!

He then looked over at me, Placed his hands on me and he said: James, DON'T DIE with the baton in your hand!

I am saying that because, I believed that the Almighty God - If you have been watching and you have been listening over the Past few Months with everything that has been happening with the Pandemic.

You have been hearing about Great Leaders that have been dying.

You have been hearing of Great People of Great, Renowned and Authority - Even in our Country, many Great Pastors, one Organization; in the midst of this whole Pandemic, have tidy up their Leaders, to die within a three (3) Month Period.

Why am I saying that to you?

It is because there is an Old Regime that is moving off the scene and there is a New Regime that is supposed to be waiting - Running in Place with their hands outstretched, waiting for the BATON to be PASSED!

It is no longer time for you to be able to say that: 'We are the Church of Tomorrow or, 'I have got time to do this thing so!'

No! - It is the Almighty God calling to you right now!

And you are an Aggressive Community, you are an Aggressive Society - You are the ones who are now going after the Kingdom VIOLENTLY.

That is why the Bible says in Matthew 11:12, it says:

"And from the days of John the Baptist until now the Kingdom of Heaven suffereth Violence, and the Violent take it by force."

It was because John the Baptist was:

- One whose hair was uncombed;

- One who did not dress in fine linen;

- One who spoke TRUTH to Power.

- He was one that was not INTIMIDATED.

And because he was not intimidated, the Spirit of that same John the Baptister has been released, and unleashed on your Generation.

And you, I Prophesy - are going to be the one that takes up the Mantle - Amen.

And will still be saying in the Workplace, you will still be saying in the Industry of Hollywood, you will still be saying while you are moving in the Fashion Industry.

And while you are setting up your own Businesses, you will be saying: Look at me, but the Kingdom of God IS AT HAND!

If you know that you are that Generation, right where you are, just throw your head back and shout Hallelujah - HALLELUJAH!

So then Beloved, I share with you that there is a link!

What did I now just say? - That THERE IS A LINK!

There is a CONNECTION between the THEME of this Conference - THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR and the TALK that I am supposed to be doing. And that is: BEING A GOD CHASER.

The Bright and Morning Star, and a GOD CHASER. - Hmmm!

What are we saying now?

We are saying that there is something that is Connecting with that Theme and the Topic of this Talk.

What do we mean when we say 'A GOD CHASER?'

A GOD CHASER is made up of two (2) words - GOD and CHASER.

... That is all it is - GOD and CHASER.

When you talk about GOD, you are talking about something that is Divinity.

You are talking about the One who is not MOVED by the order of the Laws of Nature but He MOVES the Laws of Nature to His ORDER.

He is the One that controls EVERYTHING.

It means that He is the OBJECT of your Pursuit.

If it is GOD CHASERS, then it means that God is the OBJECT of the ones who are doing the Chasing.

He is is what you are after!

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Now, when I was in Seminary, working on one of my Degrees - When I was taking Systematic Theology, the question was asked: WHO IS GOD?

And here is what the response was:

"God is Perfect and Infinite Spirit in whom ALL things have their Source, their Support and their Earning."

Here is the way that Acts 17:28 will capsulize that statement. It says it this way:

For it is IN HIM that we live, it is IN HIM that we move and it is IN HIM we have our Being.

In other words, if you have been the one who is a CHASER OF GOD; you are chasing the One that has your LIFE in Him!

1. You are Chasing the One that controls your very EXISTENCE.

2. You are Chasing the One that as He MOVES, He gives you the ability to MOVE!

So, that is what we are talking about when we say, GOD.

But what do we mean when we say CHASER?

I had to go on and Study up - Looking up the word CHASE.

What does the CHASE mean?

It means that there is someone who is a PURSUER of something!

So, if you a GOD CHASER, that means that you are in Pursuit of Divinity; you are in Pursuit of the One who holds your LIFE, your TIMES in His hands.

That your existence is not going to mean anything, if you don't have Him!

So, you are running after the One in whom there is LIFE; and that Life was the the Light of men.

So you are CHASING the One who has the BRIGHTNESS in Him to get you out of the darkness that you are in!

Oh, I am talking to someone right now: That the Almighty God has called you forth, at a time like this because He knew that you are in a Season of darkness and He is calling you to His Marvelous Light.

So now, what does it mean TO CHASE?

... I am glad that you asked!

I am not going to talk about the ten (10) different definitions that I saw for CHASING; but there are three (3) that I want to Link - Just for the sake of this TALK. And then we are going to Pray.

What does CHASE mean?

1. CHASE means to follow RAPIDLY or INTENTLY, to CEASE it or to EMBRACE it.

So right away, you know that if you are a GOD CHASER, you can't be LAZY!

If you are a GOD CHASER, you cannot be SLOTHFUL in your work or your duties.

It means to follow rapidly or intently; to cease it or to embrace it.

... This speaks to desire!

Say that one with me: It speaks to DESIRE!

The Bible talks about this, and you will see it in Philippians 3:12 - Where Paul says this about going rapidly or intently to cease or to embrace.

Here is what Paul said:

"Not that I have already attained, or am already Perfected; but I Press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me."

... That I may lay HOLD OF: that I may cease, that I may embrace.

He says, I am wanting to grab a hold of whatever it was, that God saw in me, that made Him grab a hold of me.

I am now CHASING AFTER HIM to try to see:

- Why did He want me?

- What made Him want me out of everybody else?

- What did He see in me, that made Him say: I CAN'T MAKE IT WITHOUT YOU?

Oh! That is why He is calling on someone that is listening to me right now or reading on the Label of DMC - He is now saying: I want you to want me as desperately as I want you.

He says, I saw something in you! I don't care if you have thoughts of darkness, thoughts of suicide, thoughts of giving up, thoughts of throwing in towel.

He says: No, No, No! He says: I want you to come after me, because I got something that I saw in you - That if you CHASE after Me, you will be able to know why I keep giving you chance after chance, opportunity, after opportunity.

Oh, if you have an opportunity to even look at it!

David said it, Yes, that is what DESIRE is - You will see it in Psalms 27:4. David said:

"One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek: (will I CHASE after)

So when you hear the word CHASERS:

The first definition is: It means to follow rapidly or intensely, to cease or to embrace.

... And that speaks to your DESIRE.

The second (2nd) Definition - when you hear about CHASERS:

2. It means to FOLLOW or to devote one's ATTENTION to a thing with the hope of ATTRACTING it or WINNING.

Come on, somebody by the way say: I AM A WINNER!

The Bible says: If that is what the devil needs to hear, that means:

To devote my ATTENTION to it, and to go after it with the intense Purpose of WINNING.

We see this as Paul wrote to us in 1 Corinthians 9:24-27.

He says this:

24 Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it.

25 And everyone who competes for the Prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a Perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown.

26 Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air.

27 But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.

He says that everyone runs in a Race, but only one (1) receives the Prize!

I told you that the first (1st) Definition spoke about DESIRE!

This one talks about DISCIPLINE.

He (Paul) says, so what I do is that I BEAT my body and I treat it roughly to make it do what it is supposed to do and not what it wants to do.

So, that after I have enlisted others, I don't want to be told that 'I am DISQUALIFIED.'

So he says, if I am going to be a GOD CHASER:

- I have to Line up my DESIRE;

- I have to Line up for the sake of my DISCIPLINE.

You will see that in Philippians 3:12-14.

Here is what Paul says:

12 Not that I have already attained, or am already Perfected; but I Press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.

13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,

14 I Press toward the Goal for the Prize of the upward Call of God in Christ Jesus."

Remember, the second definition of CHASE is that: We go after a thing with the hope of attracting it or WINNING.

... have to **DISCIPLINE** myself!

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1. You don't want to be just another average Person;

2. You don't want to be another Person that fits in to every other Person else.

I have heard so many Young People that I talk to, and they say: Oh, Pastor Bamidele: Why can't I just be normal?

Pastor Bamidele: Why can't I get away with what everybody gets away with?

Pastor Bamidele: Why does it seems like God is so strict?

It is because He has CALLED you Out. And there is something SPECIAL that you are asking for

And if you are asking for something SPECIAL; you have got to have DESIRE - Yes, I want it!

But you have got to have DISCIPLINE to say I will do whatever I have to do:

- I will TRAIN myself;

- I will keep my body UNDER;
- I will CONTROL the thoughts that I have!

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... I will like JOB SAID!

Job said: I have made a Covenant with my eyes, so that I won't look on a Young Woman.

CREW You have got to have the ability to make a contract with your body, and know that your flesh is

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You have got to deal with the enemy that is within you, so that the enemies that is outside of you cannot stop you!

So, we say that if you want to be a GOD CHASER, to CHASE means that:

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No. 1 - It speaks to DESIRE

your enemy.

No. 2 - It speaks to DISCIPLINE

But if you are going to be a GOD CHASER, here is what it says:

3. The third (3) Definition that was there. It says: To FOLLOW and PURSUE GOD.

The First (1st) Definition says that: We follow INTENTLY.

The Second (2nd) Definition says that: We Follow with the objective to Attract or to WIN!

The Third (3rd) Definition says that: We Follow and PURSUE GOD.

In other words, this is just speaking to DEDICATION.

The First (1st) Definition spoke to DESIRE;

The Second (2nd) Definition spoke to DISCIPLINE;

The Third (3rd) Definition Speaks to DEDICATION!

HOW COMMITTED ARE YOU?

How WILLING are you?

I am in PURSUIT of something!

That is why the Bible reads in that Passage of Scriptures that I read as our Text - Acts 13:22.

I want to read it again in Amplified Version of the Bible:

'I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart [conforming to My Will and Purposes], who will do all My Will".

Chasing, Pursuing, going ardently with a Desire to Embrace and to Cease and to WIN My heart!

... That is what I was looking for!

All of David's brothers just wanted the Throne;

All of David's brothers just wanted the notoriety;

But all I was looking for is somebody who is willing to carry out My Assignment.

I gave My People King Saul - And all Saul wanted was the Notoriety. He built a monument yo himself!

He did not even carry out the Assignment of killing all of the Amalekites and killing the King Agag. And he kept all of the good stuffs for himself.

And he lied to Me, saying that he was going to give it as a Sacrifice.

And I am talking to some Young People right now: Please, don't let the aura of Prestige, don't let the aura of Money; don't let something keep speaking into your hear:

Telling you how wonderful you are; how great you are - Make you forget where you were before God found you.

And that it was God that gave you this opportunity.

You have got to be like David, that his heart PURSUED!

And here is the last Part of that Scriptures - It says: 'And he will conform to My Will and My Purposes, who will do all My Will.'

That is why King Saul got crossed on the carpet; for getting out of the line.

He lied and said: The People made me do this, and the People made me do that!

Yet, when David fell into Adultery, and messed up and got the husband of the woman he was going to take killed;

When he was confronted by the Man of God, David said: I am the man! And he repented and accepted what was being administered to him as Judgement.

I am telling you right now, that what God will do (if you are honest with Him):

And because David had admitted that he was an Adulterer; admitted that he had messed up; the Bible says that when God said: I Am going to build the Temple, David said: Lord, can I build it?

And God said No, you can't build it - You have got too much blood on your hands!

But I tell you what; I Am going to let it stay in your family!

David said, but can I Please, at least buy all the material. Can I buy all of the stuff? Can I buy all of the things that are necessary to build the Temple?

David said: I just want to make sure that it stays in my family!

And I am talking to someone right now or reading on the Label of DMC: That the reason why you are where you are is not that you are a wonderful individual; not because you cross every 'T's' or Dot every 'I's'.

But you have some mothers, some fathers, some grandmothers, some grandfathers, some Ancestors who made a Covenant with GOD!

And you are the one, even though they did not get a chance to see certain things; didn't get a chance to have certain things; you are getting it now, because of the foundation that they have laid.

So then, if I am going to be the one:

- That has the DESIRE;
- That has the DISCIPLINE;
- And had the DEDICATION.

The question is: WHAT TYPE OF CHARACTER CAN BE A GOD CHASER?

As I come to the conclusion of this:

The Character of the individual that is going to be a GOD CHASER is that:

1. It has to be an individual that is PURE!

Come on, say that right where you are!

... I hope you are taking note?

It has to be a question of PURITY.

Why does it have to be a question of PURITY?

Because the Bible says in 1 Peter 1:16. It says: "Be Holy, for I Am Holy."

So listen: if you are CHASING GOD, and God is HOLY - If you expect to ever catch Him, you have to have the Character of HOLINESS.

Why is that? It has got to be the Character of PURITY - that is No 1

2. Because you want to PARTNER with Him.

What do you mean, 'I want to PARTNER with Him?'

I. The Bible says in Amos 3:3; "Can two (2) walk together except they be agree?"

So a GOD CHASER must be PURITY, because the object of their CHASE is PURE!

II. Secondly, they must be ready to PARTNER with Him.

Because, before you PARTNER with Him, you must AGREE.

3. The third (3rd) Character of People who want to be GOD CHASERS is that: "They must be PASSIONATE for Him.

Why must they be PASSIONATE for Him?

David taught us this way - He said in Psalms 42:1:

"As the hart Pants after the water brooks, so Pants my Soul after thee, O God."

... Oh GOD!

In other words, God, I want You so desperately. I want You so much, until I will walk away from everyone else.

I will leave everything!

You are more desirable (like Job said) than my Pleasant food.

I want You, like the deer needs water!

He says, it must be the characteristics of PURITY;

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Because you want to PARTNER with Him.

And you must be PASSIONATE about Him.

Well, that will be enough for me to start rounding up right now.

And we could go on and conclude with Prayer.

But there is one last thing I want to tell you, about the Characteristics of one that is going to be a GOD CHASER;

... And David told us that, as well.

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See, the individual that is going to be a GOD CHASER, if we follow David's Characteristics;

- He has got to be one, not just PURE;

- Not just one that is PASSIONATE;

- Not just one that wants to PARTNER;

4. But he has got to be one who is a PRAISER.

Oh, why must it be a PRAISER?

Because here is the beautiful thing about the entire Concept of a GOD CHASER.

... Are you ready for this?

The Bible days this in Psalms 22:3:

But You are Holy (here is the PURITY), You are Enthroned (there is the PARTNERSHIP) in the PRAISES of Your people.

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In other words, here is the Good News that:

- When you become one who is PURE

- One who has PARTNERED

- One who is PASSIONATE

- And one who is PRAISER

Get ready for this: You won't have to be CHASING GOD;

... I am so excited!

GOD will be CHASING you! - He is looking for you.

Here is what the Bible says - It says it this way in John 4:24.

It says: God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship (HOW?) in Spirit and Truth.

Why? - Because the Father SEEKETH such.

In other words, God is looking for somebody that would PRAISE HIM

He is looking for someone that would Worship the Lord.

That means, as our father in the Lord, Pastor E.A Adeboye (our Daddy G.O) says: "Two (2) Captains cannot sit in the Ship at the same time".

Therefore, if you are sitting in the Ship of LONELINESS - if you start PRAISING God; the One that says, I will never leave you nor forsake you will COME, sit right where you are and will have to run LONELINESS out of your Ship - Amen!

If you are sitting in a Vessel of POVERTY; the One who says that the Silver is Mine and the Gold is Mine - When you start PRAISING that One, He will COME and sit with you in Your Vessel, and the POVERTY will leave you - Amen!

If you the one who is sitting down and you are saying: I have got sickness on me; if you can just give Him GLORY, shout HALLELUJAH to Him; then the One who said: If you will be Obedient to Me, and harken to Me, I won't put any of these sicknesses upon you (that was on the Egyptians) - the SICKNESS would have leave you - Amen!

I don't know who I am talking to right now; but I do know, that God has sent me to tell you that if you catch on Fire for Him, and you Run AFTER Him:

Then this day - No matter how many more days to go in this Conference, no matter who else is coming after me, or who came before; that this Particular Message, this Particular day, is your Turning Point - Amen!

And everything will turn around for you, for the BETTER, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ - Amen!

So now, I need for you, right where you are, I want you to get your pen, get your iPad. Get everything together, because I want to give you some Prayer Arrows.

And we are going to write them down; we are going to Pray these Prayers Arrows together.

And then you can Pray them in your own time, after I am done, and when you are at home (alone); you can Pray them with your loved ones together,

You can get a circle of some of your Peers, and all of you who are walking Purposely; who are going to be GOD CHASERS.

And you are going to Pray these Prayer Arrows together.

PRAYER ARROWS

I told you that David said in Psalms 42:1. He said: "As the deer Pants after the water brooks, so Pants my Soul after thee, O God."

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So my Soul - Mind, Emotions, Desire, Intellect;

My Soul - A Part of me within my Spirit Man and my Physical Man;

... My Soul Pants after You!

1. Here is the first (1st) Prayer Arrow.

You are going to lift your voice and say: FATHER; GIVE ME AN INSATIABLE APATITE FOR MORE OF YOU.

... Right where you are, come on, begin to Pray that Prayer Arrow.

Thank You LORD! In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

... So shall it be for you.

2. The second (2nd) Prayer Arrow you are going to Pray right now is this:

Watch this! Because we found out that David said in Psalms 27:4. David said: " One (1) thing have I desired of the LORD,

.. Not several things, not two (2) or three (3) things but one (1) thing have I desired of the LORD,

You are going to lift your voice to the Almighty God, and you will say Father: LET ME NEVER BE DISTRACTED WHILE I AM CHASING AFTER YOU.

... Come on, you can write that down but we want to Pray now!.

Thank You my Father and my God! In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Come on, shout a bigger Amen than that - AMEN!

... So shall it be for you, in Jesus' Name - Ame !

3. I want to understand that the Bible says something about the Church of Laodicea in the Book of Revelation.

It says that the Problem with the Church of Laodicea was that they neither HOT nor COLD.

... But they were LUKEWARM.

We are going to Pray tonight. Write this Prayer Arrow down.

And that Prayer Arrow is going to be: FATHER; GIVE ME THE GRACE TO STAY QUITE HOT FOR YOU, IN A WORLD THAT HAS GONE COLD.

... Grant that to me, Lord!

Come one, Pray that Prayer Arrow right now!

Thank You LORD! In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed -Amen!

... So shall it be for you in Jesus' Name - Amen!

4. Finally, your last Prayer Arrow is this; you are going to Pray to the Almighty God.

Because the Bible says in Luke 9:62. It says:

"And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the Plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

You have read the story; the Bible says that Lot's wife has been DELIVERED out of Sodom and Gomorrah. But yet, she LOOKED BACK and turned into a Pillar of Salt.

You are going to Pray now: FATHER THE GRACE TO KEEP GOING FORWARD, GRANT THAT TO ME NOW.

Go ahead and Pray that now!

Thank You LORD! In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

... And so shall it be for you in Jesus' Name - Amen!

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Listen, right where you are; if you are watching this at home, on your phone or reading now on the Label of DMC.

And you have NEVER accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as your Personal Lord and Saviour. You can do it, and accept Him right now.

Just Pray this very simply Prayer.

*You will say: FATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS, HERE I AM. I AM TIRED OF RUNNING FROM YOU. AND NOW, I AM CHASING AFTER YOU!
FATHER, I ADMIT THAT I HAVE MISSED THE MARK. FORGIVE ME OF MY SINS, SAVE MY SOUL. COME INTO MY HEART. HELP ME TO BE COMMITTED TO YOU; AND TO TELL OTHERS HOW GOOD YOU ARE.

THIS I PRAY, IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST - AMEN AND AMEN!

Listen Beloved, if you Prayed that Prayer; I want to let you know that you are welcome in the Vine of Christ.

But you need to be a Part of Bible Teaching, Bible Preaching, Bible Believing Ministry.

God Bless You! - I love you and I appreciate you.

Thank you so much for staying all through to read.

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TOPIC: SANCTIFIED SEXUALITY



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Shout a Powerful Hallelujah - Halleluyah!!!

We give Glory to the Almighty God who has made this Year's Convention Possible.

He has brought us together to meet Him Personally, the Bright and the Morning Star.

I want to use this opportunity to thank my father and my mummy in the Lord: Daddy and mummy Adeboye for the opportunity to use this Platform to be a blessing to the People of God.

I also want to thank the Assistant General Overseer in charge of the Youths, the fatherly Pastor Amenkhienan and the Leadership of the Youths for putting this year Convention together.

I want to believe that the Almighty God will always remember you and also bless every one of you in the Name of Jesus.

I particularly trust God that this Convention will be an awesome Convention and at the end of it; there would be great Testimonies - Amen.

May the Almighty God continue to take the Youths of the Redeemed Christian Church (RCCG) from Glory to Glory in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

MESSAGE

If you don't mind please turn with me your Bible to the book of Romans 12:1-2:

1. I beseech you therefore Brethren by the Mercies of God that ye Present your bodies a Living Sacrifice, Holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable Service.

2. And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your Mind, that ye may Prove what is that Good and Acceptable and Perfect Will of God.

May the Lord bless the reading, the interpretation and the understanding of His Words in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

The Topic before us this very day is titled: SANCTIFIED SEXUALITY.

Because of the Pervasion of Sex and Sexuality in our world today; People including Believers tend to forget that God is the Author of sex; that God created sex.

In Genesis 1:27; the Bible says God made man male and female - That was when God created sex.

He made man male and female. He placed in man the organ necessary to have sex and to have sexual intercourse.

And when He made this like every other creations God made, He looked at it in Genesis 1:31; He says this is very Good.

In other words; sex is a Good thing. Sex is something that God ordained for the Pleasure of man.

Unfortunately it has been Perverted and several People in the world have embraced the Perversion of sex.

But as a child of God; when we talk about Sanctified Sexuality, we are talking about sex as approved by God.

There is a way that we can get involve in sex that it is Good in the sight of God and that is why the Scriptures says when we get born again that we should Present our bodies as a Living Sacrifice unto the Lord and this is a reasonable Service.

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... Present your Spirit, Present your Soul, Present your body as a Sacrifice unto God.

And He say to us that we should not conform to the world. We should not do things the way the world does them.

Instead we should be transformed by the renewing of our mind so that we can Prove what that is Good, what is that Acceptable and that which is Perfect in the sight of God.

In other words; it's time we do things as Believers, we should always focus on doing things:

I. That is Good in the sight of God.

- II. That is Acceptable to God.
- III. That is Perfect in the sight of God.

These three (3) conditions must be the conditions with which we live our lifes.

And when we do these things, we are living a Sanctified life and the issue of sex is not an exception.

So, if we are going to have sex it should be in a manner that is Good in the sight of God, in a manner that is that is Acceptable unto God, in a manner that it is Perfect before God.

Not only when we do this; can it be said that we had sex or sex in a Sanctified way.

I Pray for someone under the sound of my voice that: If you are going to engage in sex at all it would be in a Sanctified way - Amen.

And when we want to look at the Subject of sex, which kind of sex is Good in the sight of God? Which kind of sex is Acceptable to God? Which kind of sex is Perfect in the sight of God?

In other words; what kind of sex fit to these three (3) Concept of Sanctification?

The answer can only be found in 1 Corinthians 7:1-2:

1. Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is Good for a man not to touch a woman.

2. Nevertheless to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife and let every woman have her own husband.

Verse one (1) of 1Corinthians 7 say to us categorically that it is a Good thing for a man not to touch a woman.

Young boy don't touch, young adult don't touch.

If you have to touch, the Person must be your wife according to verse two (2) or he must be your husband.

So sex is only Permitted in Marriage.

And the Scriptures categorically makes it clear that young man if you are not married don't touch.

In fact Jesus said don't look because if you look at a Person lustfully, you have committed adultery with the Person.

So, as a young man the counsel is don't have sex at all. If you would have sex let it be with your wife, let it be with your husband.

The implications of these verses of Scriptures that we just read. It simply means:

1. That sex is not Permitted between a man and several women.

It is not Good, it is not Acceptable, it is not Perfect in the sight of God .

Or between a woman and several men.

Such sex is not Good, is not Acceptable neither is it Perfect.

The Scriptures says: Let every man have his own wife and let every woman have her own husband.

2. It means that same sex marriage; homosexualism.

It is not Good, it is not Acceptable; it is not Perfect in the sight of God.

So, young man, young girl; don't get yourself involve in it.

It is Perversion of what the Creator meant sex to be.

3. What about sex between a father and a daughter or between a mother and a son or between brothers and sisters - Which is called incest.

Such kind of sex is not Good, is not Acceptable neither is it Perfect.

4. What about sex between a married man and an unmarried lady nor between a married woman and an unmarried man - It is called adultery.

It is not Good; it is not Acceptable neither is it Perfect in the sight of God the Creator.

5. What about sex among Singles who are not married, among youths who are not married - It is called fornication.

It is not Good; it is not Acceptable neither is it Perfect.

All of these Perversions have become embraced by the world but for a child of God, for you it is not Good, it is not Acceptable neither is it Perfect.

If you do these you are not observing Sanctified Sexualism.

What is the reason behind this Perversion?

I would like to quickly give you five (5) reasons:

1. Reason behind this Perversion is our wrong "Perception of love".

The world has defined love in a wrong way. It is believed that when two (2) individuals are having sex regardless of who they are that they are making love but that is not the truth.

That is a lie from the devil.

The wrong "Perception of Love" have made People to have sex and kiss one another and romance one another against the Will of God.

Sex does not necessarily mean love.

What is love?

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1 John 4:8 it says: "He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love".

What is the definition of love?

God is love. It simply means that.

And I give you a New definition from today that: Love simply means Godliness.

When you see a man or a woman living a Godly life; that Person is manifesting the Nature of God which is love.

And that is why the Bible says: He that loveth not does not know God, for God is love.

What are the wrong Perceptions of love?

For instance if love were to connote everything about sex or sex is love; it means that you are telling us that God that doesn't have sex cannot love.

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God is sexless and yet He is the epitome of love.

You cannot hear or it has never been written anywhere that God had sex. And yet He is the epitome of Love.

If sex is truly love what you are saying is that you cannot love your brother, you cannot love your sister, you cannot love your father, you cannot love your mother because it is excepted you love these People without having sex with them.

If sex were to be love, Prostitutes will be the greatest lovers - But we know that prostitutes do it for the gain they want to get.

Sex does not necessarily mean love.

You can go and ask Samson - Because of illicit sexual relationship, Samson ended up as a servant as against being Lord over his enemies.

... That will not be your portion in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Even kisses and embrace and romance - There are People who have kissed People and have Plotted their downfall and destruction.

A good example is Judas and his Lord Jesus Christ - With a kiss he betrayed Jesus.

People can have sex with you, People can kiss you and Romance you and yet they are Planning your destruction.

Sex does not necessarily mean love. Any sex outside of Marriage is wickness.

The Scriptures says: Whatsoever you want others to do unto you, do also unto them.

Just as you will not be happy to see a man sleeping with your sister or with your mother don't do the same to others - It is wickedness in the sight of God and wickedness in the sight of men.

So the wrong Perception of love has made People to Pervert Sexuality.

From today as you receive understanding you will deliver yourself in the name of Jesus - Amen.

God is stretching forth His Hands as you hear these Words to deliver you from all such Perversion in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

2. Is sexual Pleasure?

The truth be told - There is Pleasure in sex.

When you reach orgasm you enjoy the Pleasure in sex and as a result of this Pleasure in sex many have Perverted it.

Many have even gone to the extent of self inducing themselves unto Masturbation.

All of these Perversion is not Good, is not Acceptable neither is it Perfect in the sight of God.

And the reason why God is speaking right to you is that you might be delivered - Receive your Deliverance from Masturbation in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

The Bible says in 1 Timothy 5:6 - It says: But she that liveth in Pleasure is dead while she liveth.

Apostle Paul was addressing issues in the lives of widows - In those days, there were some widows who were just moving around the Church and having illicit sexually relationship because they have lost their husbands and Apostle Paul say this is an indication of Spiritual death.

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So, if you are engage in sex as unapproved by God; it is an indication that you are dead Spiritually even though you live.

As a child of God you must know how to direct your sexual Passions.

There are other areas you can direct your Strength to, that you can get Pleasure:

For instance:

I. Direct your Pleasure for now as a young man, as a young girl to study your books.

Seek to gain Success in your Academics.

II. As a young man, as a young lady direct your Pleasure towards your Goal in life.

There is coming a time you will be married and then you can have sexual Pleasure - Be Patient, your time is coming.

III. But as a young man as young lady, direct your Passion towards working for God and living for His Glory.

Job 36:11; it says: "... We will spend our days in Prosperity and our years in Pleasure".

There are better Place where in you can find Pleasure.

God told me sometimes ago that the highest form of pleasure found in His Presence - According to the Scriptures in Psalms 16:11 it says: Thou will show me the Path of life: In thy Presence is fullness of Joy: at thy right hand there are Pleasures for evermore.

The Pleasure you get in the Presence of God is far higher and greater than any other Pleasures in other Places, particularly also in sex.

Even if you are married; your moderation should be known even in sex.

You can't be having sex every day. It is not expected that you give yourself to sexual relationship everyday because you are married.

Some are even married but they are having Pervasive, illicit sexual relationship.

For instance they say oral sex, it is not Good, it is not Acceptable and it is not Perfect in the sight of God.

There are better things you can grow Spiritually.

Give yourself to Spiritual things and grow and enjoy the Pleasure of God which is far greater than any other Pleasures in the world.

In His Presence, there is Fullness of Joy and at His right time Pleasure forevermore.

So, because of the Pleasure in sex, sex is Perverted.

3. Bad company. No matter how Good you are; if you follow the wrong crowd you will become a bad Person, you will become influenced to begin to do things wrongly.

And because of bad company because you associated yourself with the wrong set of People, you are now involve in illicit sexual Perversion but the Lord is delivering you today in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

1 Corinthians 15:33; it says: "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt Good manners".

No matter how Good you are; you can be corrupted - When you have bad friends that give you bad counsel; when you have bad friends that instructs you in the wrong way or influence you.

A Good example is the story of Tamar and Amnon his brother. .

Unfortunately when Amnon had that Passion towards his sister; he got Counsel from a bad company, he got Counsel from Abinadab who gave him a wrong Counsel.

And as a result of that, Tamar was defiled.

Everyone you are associated with, mark what they tell you, mark where you get your Counsel from, stop receiving Counsel from evil and wicked youths.

Follow Righteousness, Godliness with those that call upon the Name of the Lord and you will be delivered from sexual Perversion.

Make up your mind not to stay in a closed place with anybody. You may call that Person your fiancée or your fiancé.

Make up your mind not to stay in a closed place alone with the opposite sex if you know you have a Strong derive and Passion towards a Person.

Avoid that Person, avoid being alone with that Person.

The Scriptures says: Flee fornication - It didn't say run away, it didn't say walk away, it says flee.

From today receive the Grace to flee in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

2 Corinthians 5:17; it says: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a New Creature: Old things are Passed away; behold, all things are become New".

This includes your friendship. ERY MEDIA CREW

That is what the Scriptures says: We should not be unequally yoked together with Unbelievers.

From today, if you need to change your friends, your circle of friends change it now in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

For birds of the same feathers they flock together; may you begin to flock with Spiritual People, People that will lift you up Spiritually, People that with encourage you as iron sharpeneth iron so does a man sharpens the countenance of his friend. May your friends be people that can sharpen you in the Name of Jesus - Amen. Carnally Minded! - What is it that occupies your mind? What is it that takes hold of your heart?

The Bible says in Proverb 4:23: Guide your heart with all Diligence for out of it are the issues of life.

Unbelievers are Permitted to read anything they like and that is why they are Polluted. If you want to be Sanctified, if you want to live Righteously you need to guide your heart.

What kind of Literatures do you look at?

These things matter because they are the things that arouse our sexual desires.

What kind of movie do you watch?

The kind of movie you watch will either make you to be Carnally Minded or Spiritually Minded.

From today, may you begin to read the right things, may you find yourself engross with the Word of God in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Stop the Pornography, stop watching Seductive Movies.

Occupy your mind with Godly images and you will not fulfill all those Carnal desires that lead to death.

Lack of Passion for God and His Words - Anybody who loves God will enjoy the Pleasures in God; he will not love the Pleasures of the world.

For to love the world is to hate God and to Love God is to hate the world.

And that's why you must do everything to get God's Approval - Your desire must be towards God and His Words.

No wonder 2 Timothy 2:15; it says: Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that need not to be ashamed, rightly diving the Word of Truth.

Occupy your heart with the Truth and it will be well with you - Amen.

Be a consistent student of the Word of God.

The Bible says in Romans 1:28; it says: Because men refuse to retain God in their heart, God gave them up to a reprobate mind.

The reason for the Perversion is because minds of men are reprobate.

If that is your case receive your deliverance right away in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

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There is a God who is Merciful, there is a God who is Kind, there is a God who you can bring your sexual situation into His hands and He will turn it around for Good.

And if you are here under the sound of my voice or reading now on the Label of DMC and you are a Victim of Sexual Perversion, I like you to Stand on your feet and let's call upon the Name of the Lord.

1. The Bible says: Whoever call upon the Name of the Lord; he shall be saved.

You need to repent and ask God for Mercy and Forgiveness.

If you are not yet Born Again, give your life to the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you are Born Again, cry to God for Mercy.

The God who answers Prayer will answer your Prayers - Amen.

So, wherever you maybe, I will like you to Pray this Prayer - Say: Father, in the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, have Mercy on me, forgive me my sins of illicit sexual relationship and make me a Brand New Person.

Lift up your voice and Pray. Let God hear your voice (speaking in tongues).

Father, here is the cry of your children as they repent from illicit Sexual Perversion. Father deliver them in the Name of Jesus. Make them free in the Name of Jesus.

Those who are not yet Born Again, save their Souls as they cry to you, save their Souls. Have Mercy on them King of Glory; save their Souls in the Name of Jesus.

Deliver your People Oh God from illicit Sexual Intercourse; illicit Sexual Relationship in the Name of Jesus.

Stretch forth your hands of Deliverance, let there be a translation from this moment, from the Power of darkness to the Kingdom of your dear Son and let your Name be Glorified.

Thank you Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we Prayed - Amen.

2. The Second Prayer Point I want us to take is taking from 1 Thessalonians 4:3.

It says: For this is the Will of God, even your Sanctification, that you should abstain from fornication.

I like you to lift up your voice and say: Father, it is Your Will that I should be Sanctified, deliver me from every Sexual Perversion in the Name of Jesus.

Let God hear your voice - God it is Your Will that I should live a Sanctified life, therefore deliver me from all Sexual Perversion in the Name of Jesus. Everything that defiles my body, everything that defiles my Soul, everything that defiles my Spirit, King of Glory deliver me from them all in the Name of Jesus.



Very briefly I am going to talk about: The consequences of Sexual Perversion and the Solutions.

1. Guilt.

When you have Sexual Relationship contrary to the Will of God, not with your wife, not with your husband; you have guilt.

The guilt of sin will always be in your heart each time you see the Person you had sex with, you become guilty or each time you see the relation of the Person you had sex with you become guilty.

You carry the guilt all the days of your life.

I have Good News for somebody under the sound of my voice or reading now on the Label of DMC, the Blood of Jesus Christ is available to take away all of your sins and your guilt in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

When you give your life to Jesus and you surrender to Him completely, you are delivered from guilt and there is a need for you to do that expressly and that brings us to the second point or second consequence.

2. Shame, Disgrace and Affliction.

Immorality is a sin against the body. It results in shame.

It is a shameful thing that is why it is done in the secret.

From today, God will deliver you from shame in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

It leads to disgrace when you are caught.

The Bible says in Proverbs 6:26 - It says: It reduce a man to a Piece of bread; it brings a man from a Position of Honour to a Place of disgrace.

What about affliction in form of sickness and curses?

All manners of sicknesses that are related to Sexual Intercourses are around today - People are afflicted in every way HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) for instance and the ultimate end is death.

That would not be your Portion in the Name of Jesus - Amen. You will not die before your time because the end result is untimely death.

3. What about curses?

There are People who have gone and had sexual illicit relationships that have led to them being cursed.

There are People you sleep with, you carry curses.

A Good example in the Bible was Ruben - He slept with his father concubine and the Bible says when the father got to know about it, and when it mattered the most, when the father was about to bless his children before he leave the world; he placed a curse on Ruben.

He says: My Strength, my firstborn, you will not excel.

Everyone under a curse as a result of illicit Sexual Relationship; receive your Deliverance in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

4. What about losses, defeat.

Of course a Good example is Samson again - He lost his two (2) eyes.

Some People have lost Possession - A lot of Possession because they got engrossed and engage in illicit Sexual Relationship.

May God deliver you in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

May you learn to say No to illicit Sexual Relationship in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

5. It limits your Greatness in Life.

For instance; I know there are some Revelations a child of God cannot receive if he or she is consistently involve in illicit Sexual Relationship.

When David went to ask for the loaves of bread, the Priest said to him - He said the only bread that is available is only available for men who have kept themselves from women.

6. It limits your Greatness Spiritually.

No wonder the Scriptures says even in marriage you should find time to Fast and Pray.

May God help every Married Person under the sound of my voice or reading now on the Label of DMC to be Moderate Sexually in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

So, if such changes you; it doesn't allow you to be who God wants you to be.

7. Plans of God in the life of People have been shattered because of illicit Sexual Relationship.

You can imagine what would have happened if Mary had has Sexual Relationship before the Angel came - Of course, God will change His Mind, and somebody else will take the Position of Mary.

Do you think that Mary was not tempted as a single woman?

Of course she was tempted but she kept herself Pure.

The Grace to keep yourself Pure receive in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

No wonder the Bible says in 2 Timothy 2: 21-22 - It says:

21. If a man therefore Purge himself from this, he shall be a Vessel unto Honour, Sanctified and Meet for the Master's Use and Prepared unto every Good work.

22. Flee also Youthful lusts; but follow Righteousness, Faith, Charity, Peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a Pure heart.

Purge yourself from every illicit Sexual Relationship and be Pure. Live a Sanctified Life and God will use you for Great Works, for Great Assignment, for Great Purposes in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Every traces of illicit Sexual Relationship among the Youths in the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) from today they come to an end in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

In some Countries, you cannot be President if you are immoral.

May you not loose your opportunities in life in the Mighty Name of the Lord Jesus Christ - Amen.

The Bible says in 2 Timothy 2:22 - Flee also Youthful lusts but follow Righteousness, Faith, Charity, Peace with them that call upon the Name of the Lord from a Pure heart.

May that be your Portion from today in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Why? - Because;

Illicit Sexual Relationship leads to death and life in hell.

... I am sure you don't want to go to hell.

1 Corinthians 6:9; it says: Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor adulterers nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind.

All such People will end up in hell. And I believe that is not your intention.

And because of that; in the Name of Jesus you are made free, you are made whole, you are delivered from all forms of illicit Sexual Intercourse in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

What is the Solution?

Of course we have heard some of the Solution already:

- 1. You must be Born Again.
- 2. You must Present yourself as a Living Sacrifice unto God.

You must say: Father from today; I Promise that I will not defile myself. I give myself to You, I give my body to You, I give my Soul to You, I give my Spirit to You.

And when you do that; God will release His Grace into your life - Amen.

According to Titus 2:11 and 12, it says:

11. For the Grace of God that bringeth Salvation has appear unto all men.

12. Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world.

There is a Grace that comes from God that empowers you to deny ungodliness, to denounce Sexual Perversion - Receive that Grace in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Of course that Grace will work with the Wisdom of God.

3. Apart from Presenting yourself to God, when you do God will release His Wisdom into your life.

For the Scriptures says: The fear of God is the beginning of Wisdom.

And honestly speaking; you need Wisdom concerning this matter.

For instance; Wisdom not to stay alone with an opposite sex you know you are having Passion for.

As fiancé and fiancée don't go to a Lonely Place - Keep yourself Pure.

Avoid the danger of falling into immorality so that you can be blessed and mightily used of God.

The Grace of God teaches us to say No.

From today receive the Power to say No and not to give yourself to immoral act in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

4. You must believe that it is possible to live a Pure Life.

If you don't believe it, you can't desire it and you can't achieve it.

And as you do this the God of all Grace will keep you Pure; He will keep you Sanctified; He will keep you Holy in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20; it says:

19. What? Know ye not that your body is the Temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God and ye are not your own?

20. For ye are bought with a Price: therefore Glorify God in your body, and in your Spirit, which are Gods.

CONCLUSION

Always remember that your body is not your own - It belongs to the Creator.

And if you will be Wise; use it as the Creator will demand that you use it.

As a Wise Person/Youth, direct your Passion to something else - When you are busy, you won't think of sex.

Mind what you occupy your mind with that cannot be overemphasised.

As you do all of these; you will not be a Victim - Amen.

Let me hear somebody say a louder amen - You will not be a Victim (Amen).

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And that is why I will like you to stand on your feet as we take this two (2) Major Prayer Points.

Wherever you are; stand on your feet and we are going to Pray:

1. The first Prayer Point we are going to Pray is:

Father give me the Wisdom and the Grace to Prevail over Sexual Perversion.

Lord God; I need the Wisdom and the Grace to Prevail over Sexual Perversion.

Lift up your voice and Pray - Pray with all of your heart.

Go ahead Pray to God, call upon the Name of God - Lord I need Wisdom as to what to do, as to how to walk. Give me Grace, give me Wisdom to Prevail over every form of Sexual Perversion.

I need Your help Oh Lord, help me in the Name of Jesus and let your Name be Glorified.

Thank you Father. Let my body Glorify You, let my life Glorify You, let me live in Sexual Purity in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

2. Pray and say: Father help me to be Properly married to my own husband, to my own wife.

The reason why you Pray this Prayer is because the Scriptures says instead of burning get married.

So, lift up your voice and say: Father settle me with my own wife, settle me with my own husband.

Bright and Morning Star; settle me with my own wife; settle me with my own husband.

Lift up your voice and talk to the Almighty God. Lord I want to be settled.

Thank you Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Lift up your voice and say a Powerful amen as I round up in Prayers.

CLOSING PRAYER

Father in the Name of Jesus; Thank You for Your Words that has gone forth in Power.

I Pray in the Name of Jesus that Oh God; as many that have been delivered will remain delivered forever in the Name of Jesus.

It shall not be a case that the dog went back to his vomits, in the Name of Jesus.

I Pray for all of Your children to receive Grace to say No consistently, No to Sexual Perversion in the Name of Jesus.

From today we receive Grace to live in Purity in the Name of Jesus.

Thank You Everlasting Father, Thank You for the Youth of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG), Thank You because you will keep us Pure.

At the end; You will use us Mightily to gain the world, to take over the world, to expand Your Kingdom in the Name of Jesus.

Glory be to Your Holy Name - Hallelujah.

For in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!!!

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Worthy, Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy, Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy, Worthy is the Lamb, That was Slain;

Glory, Hallelujah!

Glory, Hallelujah!

Glory, Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD.

OPENING PRAYER

Our King of Glory, we want to say THANK YOU!

JESUS, we Adore You!

We Magnify Your Holy Name; we confess You are the "True God" - There is no other god like YOU.

We want to Thank You for the Day Three (3) of the Youth Convention; Thank You Father, thus far You have helped us.

Thank You for Your Revelational Words that You have been impacting upon our lives.

Daddy we are committing this Session in to Your Hands; we are asking You will take absolute control, in the Name of JESUS!

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In Jesus' Name, we've Prayed - Amen!

It is my Singular Honour to thank and appreciate my Parents in the Lord, Daddy and Mummy E.A Adbeboye (Daddy and Mummy G.O) - For the opportunity given to me to Preach on this exalted Altar.

... Thank you Sir, Thank you Ma. I appreciate you.

I will also like to appreciate my husband, the Assistant General Overseer (AGO in Charge of Young Adult and Youth) Pastor Peter Amenkhienan; for the opportunity to Preach during this Convention.

And OF course, the Youth Executives! God Bless you for putting the Programme together - Amen.

Today, I will be speaking on: "GIVING HONOUR AND SERVICE TO PARENTS."

HONOUR means holding something or someone in great respect; in very high esteem.

To honour someone is to VALUE him or her highly; to bestow Value on him or her.

And of course, most of us are familiar with the Ten (10) Commandments received by Moses and the People of Israel at Mount Sinai.

The Commandment tells us how to Honour and Worship God.

Without Complete and Genuine Honour to God, it will be impossible to honour anyone else.

Honour cannot be FAKED; it comes from the HEART.

The Fifth (5th) Commandment says: "Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee" - Exodus 20:12

The relationship with our Parents is so significant, that it is first (1st) earthly relationship addressed, in the Commandments and it is the only one to come with a Blessing from God.

So, when I speak about mothers or fathers; I refer to anyone who may have taken a "Parental Figure" in your Life.

The reality is: Not everyone is born to Parents who reflect the fatherly love of God.

... Yet, God calls us to HONOUR them, too.

WHY? - Because there is a connection between honouring our Parents and Honouring GOD.

When we treat our Parents respectfully (and with love), we take the opportunity to Honour God, with our Obedience.

Reflecting on the relationship our Heavenly Father seeks to have with us - No matter who your Parents are; God will always honour our Obedience. And He is Faithful, to make Himself known in ways we can't imagine.

Mind you: HONOUR is a Gift that you freely give; not what is earned!

Not because it is deserving; but because it is the RIGHT THING TO DO.

Consider this; in the life of a child: The Parental relationship is the FIRST (1ST) and the MOST important relationship in such a life!

... It shapes all other relationships!

When you come across a very Kind, Considerate, Capable child or youth; or even an adult, who is very Hardworking - Conscientious, Responsible and Considerate - More often than not, it is alluded to the Person's parentage.

In such a case, we always thank, not only those Parents; but Praise the Good Sense that he or she had to listen to them.

Likewise, we judge a Person by the way he or she behaves.

We say - Oh, she or he comes from a Good home or she/he has a Good Home Training.

But if that Person is acting NEGATIVELY; we say: This one LACKED Good Home Training.

And that is why in the Book of Proverbs 23:24-25, I quote:

"The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him. Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice".

So, when we have Good Parents, who impact Good behaviour in the life of their child; and the child that has sense to imbibe such Good Teachings, it is worth a great thing!

... Though we may have few exceptions to such: We can have Good Parents, and yet bad children; we can also have Bad Parents, with GOOD CHILDREN!

Permit me quickly to read some Bible verses - So that we know those Authorities that we need to HONOUR.

In the Book of Ephesians 6:1-3, we are told:

"Children, obey your Parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with Promise; That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth."

Hebrews 13:7, I read:

"Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the Word of God: whose Faith follow, considering the end of their conversation."

Then in 1 Peter 5:5:

"Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with Humility: for God resisteth the Proud, and giveth Grace to the Humble."

Finally, I am going to be reading 1 Peter 2:17:

"Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king."

So from these, you will discovered that, it encompasses a lot!

Listen Youths out there: God has designed our relationship with our Parents in such a way that we learn what it means to have someone in Authority over us; to listen to People, to honour them, and to do the right things that with bring Glory to God.

We need to know, someone else has a say over us; we are going to trust that they know better.

Not only that; this is where we learn that there are Authority Structures in the world.

The Family is where you learn about Respect and Obedience; and hopefully, about Love and Protection.
We need to know that this Commandment is so important. The Book of Deuteronomy 21:18-21, I read:

"If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, which will not obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and that, when they have chastened him, will not hearken unto them: Then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the elders of his city, and unto the gate of his place; And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton, and a drunkard. And all the men of his City shall stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put evil away from among you; and all Israel shall hear, and fear."

So, in the Old Testament, we are being told that if a child refuses to honour his parents, then he is subject to DEATH.

But Thank God that we are in the New Testament; and we are under Grace!

... Grace is the MONEY we are spending now!

So, instead of being Punished with DEATH; in the New Testament we are told to discipline such a child.

And so, you discovered that in the Book of Hebrews 12:7-11, we are told that:

7 If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?

8 But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.

9 Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?

10 For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness.

11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

... This is very important!

But quickly, I will be looking at this subject from four (4) aspects.

We will look at:

1. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HONOUR PARENTS?

2. WHY SHOULD WE HONOUR PARENTS?

3. ARE THERE LIMITS TO HONOURING PARENTS?

... And then we are going to be rounding it up with:

4. PRACTICAL WAYS, OR SERVICE WE NEED TO RENDER TO PARENTS.

So, I will start with the first (1st) one:

1. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HONOUR PARENTS?

We need to know that Honour requires certain two (2) things:

I. The first (1st) is REFERENCE.

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And Reference involves a humbling of the self, in respectful recognition of something Perceived to be greater than self.

This is not always because Parents are deserving (as I said before); but because of the Position of Authority that God has granted to Parents.

They have been given a Noble Title - MOTHER, FATHER!

And you discovered that in the Old Testament, the meaning of HONOUR (in Hebrew Language) means 'Kevoid' - Which means something that is Glorious, and something that has WEIGHT.

... So to be a Parent is a weighty thing!

To be given the Title 'MOTHER' or 'FATHER' is to be designated with office of great significance.

So we show Respect and Reference for that Position or Office.

God has given Parents Authority. Part of what they are helping you to learn is that you have come to a world in which there is: MORAL AUTHORITY and STRUCTURES OF ORDER - Showing Proper respect to everyone!

And it is so amazing (or is it sad?) that respect has become an Endangered Value over the past few decades.

Yet the Bible makes it clear that: Stable Families, and stable Societies are BUILT around Respect!

The Bible COMMANDS us to: Honour our Parents, Respect Civil Authorities; and respect Church Leaders.

And you discovered that, because God wants to make it clear and leaves no one out; the Bible also tells us to show Proper respect to EVERYONE.

... That was the last Bible Passage I read - That 1 Peter 2:17.

II. Now, the Second (2nd) thing about HONOUR is OBEDIENCE aspect of it.

OBEDIENCE is defined as: "Dutiful or Submissive Compliance to the commands of one in Authority."

Which means that: We do that; we do what our Parents say while we are Part of their households!

Even when we have grown and left the home; we make efforts to do their wishes whenever we can!

Obedience of course, implies that Parents are giving Commands, and Passing Instructions along to us.

WHY? - Because Parents are the ones responsible to ensure that what children are doing, is Good and Right and it will help them to grow in Christ.

So, this brings to me:

2. WHY SHOULD WE HONOUR OUR PARENTS?

And you will see this in Ephesians (that we ready before) Ephesians 6:1.

It says that we are to obey our Parents in the Lord.

I am laying emphasis: 'IN THE LORD'.

Listen, it is Part of your devotion to Jesus: To honour your father and your mother - Especially, Unbelieving Parents!

This is because our Obedience and Devotion to Christ, leads to OBEDIENCE and HONOUR for our Parents whether they are Believers or not!

And the Book of Colossians 3:20, we are told: Children, obey your Parents in EVERYTHING. - Not leaving anything out!

... For this PLEASES the Lord.

So, anytime you are not obeying your Parents, or not giving them Honour - That means you are displeasing the Lord.

And I know as many of us as are hearing me today, or reading on the Label of DMC: You are a Born Again child of God, and you want to Please the Lord.

So, if you want to PLEASE the Lord: You must HONOUR and RESPECT your Parents.

And, you can find a very Good Example in the Bible - Of our Lord Jesus Christ - You will discovered that Jesus Honoured and Obeyed His Earthly Parents even though the Parents are not perfect, and Jesus Christ is PERFECT.

But you discovered that in the Book of Luke 2:41-51; we are told that when Jesus Christ was still YOUNG (around 12 years old), he followed His Parents to Jerusalem to worship.

But when they were going back, Jesus Christ stayed behind and was listening to the Scribes.

And the Parents assumed that He must be Part of the company; and they had gone a day's journey before they discovered that Jesus Christ was nowhere to be found!

And we are told that they looked for Jesus for three (3) days, before they found Him in the Temple.

And they said: Son, why did You treat us like this?

He said "Don't you know that I should be about My Father's Business?

But we are told in that Verse 51 (Luke 2:51) that He GOT UP, and followed them and was SUBJECT TO THEM.

... That is Jesus Christ!

And so, that shows us the importance honouring our Parents.

And in Ephesians 6:3, we are told that if you honour your father and mother, things will go well for you; and you will have a long Life on the Earth.

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So, you discovered that Ephesians 6:1, and that Book of Colossians 3:20 are not talking about living just a long life like that; but it is actually telling us that we will live ABUNDANT LIFE.

If you want to enjoy to the FULL - the Blessings that God has for you in the Promised Land; then, you must LISTEN to your Parents.

And you discovered that, these Bible Verses we are reading can be seen in two (2) parts - That these Promises are actually a REWARD and a PROMISE.

In fact, the moment you think that you don't need your parents anymore; that is the moment you really need them, MORE THAN ever before - To LOVE and to ENCOURAGE you!

Not only that: Even sometimes, to set appropriate boundaries for you which you wouldn't think to set for yourself.

And to sometimes keep you from yourself and Protect you from things in the world which you might not necessarily see as being dangerous.

Parents should not expect the same obedience from grown children as they did when they were small.

And that takes me to the third (3rd) Aspect;

3. ARE THERE LIMITS TO HONOURING PARENTS?

Yes - Because Authority can be abused!

If the choice is between Obeying God, or obeying men; we need to obey God.

This is very, very important!

This is because the first (1st) Commandment takes Precedence OVER the fifth (5th).

But even in that situation, you must make sure that you show it in a respectful manner.

Even when what they are asking you to do is WRONG, the way you put it across to them will show that you respect and honour them.

But you will rather HONOUR God, OVER and ABOVE.

So, you need to know this that: Parental Authority is not ABSOLUTE.

But you need to know that, for those Parents that are Believers, they have gone farther along in Godliness and deserve our Respect and HONOUR.

So quickly I will be going to:

4. THE PRACTICAL WAYS TO HONOUR PARENTS; OR SERVICES TO RENDER TO OUR PARENTS.

We need to know that this Fifth (5th) Commandment is larger than just Parenting.

It is simply the bridge between the Vertical Relationship with God, to the Horizontal Relationship with Parents; and all other relationships with Authorities that we may have in our lives.

I. We must treat our Parents RESPECTFULLY and with LOVE; giving them PROMPT and cheerful OBEDIENCE.

When we do this, we are taking the opportunity to Honour God with our Obedience.

And we are reflecting the relationship with our Heavenly Father which He seeks to have with us!

No matter who our Parents are, God will honour our OBEDIENCE.

And He is Faithful to make Himself known, in ways we can't imagine.

So, we need to pay attention to the Admirable and Honourable traits of Parents or Guidance; that embodied everything in their lives, as we were growing up - If they loved and Protected you, you must learn from their example. And you can also now learn to nurture others up.

So, they will see that you are carrying that innate relationship you have learnt from your Parents; and you are Passing it across to the Next Generation.

Not only that; you discovered that in the Book of 1 Corinthians 11:1, Paul said: "Be IMITATORS of me, as I am of Christ"

So, when we imitate our elders, when we imitate our parents in Good Ways, then we are showing from where we come from.

II. GRATITUDE is one (1) of the Chief ways we can Honour our Parents.

Showing GRATITUDE for the "Unseen Sacrifices", they must have gone through when they were bringing us up.

Parents sacrificed a lot for their children;

... You need to know this!

They sacrificed their Rest and Resources - when you were small, and your were growing up and so when you are now growing up; you need to RECIPROCATE - by Honouring them.

So, I am advising you: Peradventure you know you have not really been honouring them; immediately after this Programme or after reading this on the Label of DMC: Pick you phone and call them - Just to say: Mummy/Daddy, I appreciate you. I thank you for how you brought me up.

... This is very, very Important!

III. And, we need to SPEAK WELL of them.

We need to SPEAK WELL of those that raised us; because WORDS have Power to give life and to destroy.

Whether in their Presence or their absence; we must learn to SPEAK WELL of them!

Consider the words you speak to your Parents: Carefully pick only the words that give Honour.

This is just showing us that wherever we may be, we must LEARN to speak WELL of our Parents and those that brought us up!

The Fourth (4th) way of giving Service to our Parents is that;

IV. We MUST HEED their Wisdom.

Our parents have many opportunities to gain the Wisdom of Experience through their life times.

They have likely Endured and Persevered in ways we did not notice (as children) but by listening to their insights and knowledge, we learn to make better choices as Youth.

Listen to Job, in the Book of Job 12:12, it says: "With the ancient is wisdom; and in length of days understanding."

So, you discovered that Wisdom is recognized, and known among the aged - And that is the more reason for us to HEED their words of Wisdom.

And then in the Book of James 1:5, it says: "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

So, we honour God and our parents, by asking for Wisdom and heeding to the Wisdom we received.

V. We also Honour our Parents by SUPPORTING them, ENCOURAGING them and LOOKING AFTER them.

Listen to David; David said in Psalms 71:9.

He said: "Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my Strength faileth."

You see here, that David feared the combination of AGE and ISOLATION; of being OLD and ALONE.

... Likewise our aged Parents!

So we must give them assurance regularly, that we will not abandon them in their OLD AGE.

We MUST HONOUR them and not FORSAKE them.

VI. We must PROVIDE for them.

In the Book of 1 Timothy 5:4 and 8;

4 But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.

8 But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.

So, it is saying here that God is WELL PLEASED, when you take GOOD CARE of your AGED ONES.

In conclusion;

VII. The most important way we can Honour our Parents is TO FORGIVE THEM.

WHY? -Because there are no Perfect Parents around.

All Parents have fallen far short of their children's expectations and in all likelihood, even their own expectations!

Our Parents might have sinned against us through making of unwise decisions.

Maybe they have had unrealistic expectations concerning us, and had done things that have left us deeply wounded;

For that reason many children enter adulthood controlled by Anger and Bitterness. They find themselves unable to move Past their Parents' mistakes, or their Parents' sin.

I want to let you know that we Honour our Parents by extending Grace and Forgiveness to them.

... This is actually Possible.

So we honour our Parents by extending Grace and Forgiveness to them.

For Parents who are difficult to Love or to Forgive, putting this into Practice might seem impossible - However, God is able to work in their HEARTS, just as He has worked in yours.

Pray for God to transform their hearts - Amen.

You see, forgiveness does not excuse ungodly behaviour; but releases us from the grip of the resulting BITTERNESS.

ALTAR CALL:

Maybe you are here and you are listening to me or reading on the Label of DMC and do not know Christ; you have never given your life to Jesus Christ.

I am inviting you this Period to just invite Him into your life; so that you can live LONG and live WELL in Abundance.

You can say after me:

LORD JESUS, COME INTO MY LIFE, BECAUSE I WANT TO KNOW YOU MORE. I WANT TO LEARN TO HONOUR MY PARENTS.

WIPE AWAY MY SINS, AND WRITE MY NAME IN THE "BOOK OF LIFE."

IN JESUS' NAME WE PRAY - AMEN!

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And so King of Glory, we want to THANK YOU. Lord, we Love You!

We Thank You for being such a Good and Perfect Heavenly Father!

Father, we honour our Parents today - Whether they are living or dead.

You gave them to us, so that: They could Love, Nurture and Guide us into Maturity and independence as we know, and experience and receive your LOVE.

Lord, let us learn to Honour You and Please You - by Loving our Earthly Parents as well.

... Help us to return our love to them.

As we thoughtfully respond to their changing Needs, may they be able to depend on us, even as we have depended on them throughout the years.

Father may it go well with us; may we live long in the land, and enjoy all Blessings you have in store for us.

In Jesus' Name - Amen!

Let us Thank God for our Parents (whether living or dead).

Tell God that You Thank Him through the Parent you have come into the world.

Ask God to show you how you can truly Honour your Parents; even those that might have caused you Pain in the Past!

Ask Him for the Grace to LOVE them in return.

Ask God to grant you the Spirit of Humility and Submission in honouring and obeying your Parents.

Ask God to deliver you from every spirit of stubbornness and Pride that may be operating in your life hitherto.

Pray that you will not live under the curse of disobedience - not honouring your Parents as you ought to.

Pray for Wisdom and Guidance on how you can be an example of Godly Love to those in Authority over you.

Thank You Jesus!

In Jesus' Wonderful Name we have Prayed - AMEN!

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TALK 1 (EVENING)

TOPIC: SHINING IN A DARK WORLD - PASTOR SOLA OWOEYE (PASTOR IN CHARGE, RCCG YOUTH PROVINCE 6, KADUNA AND NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, RCCG YAYA)



DATE: 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2020. MEDIA CREW

BIBLE TEXT: MATTHEW 5:14

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

OPENING PRAYER

Father we Thank You. Lord we appreciate You, we give You all the Praises, we give You all the Honour and Adoration.

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Thank You Lord for this great Convention. Thank You Lord for what You have been doing since the inception of this great Programme.

We appreciate You Lord for the THEME You have given us this year: "THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR."

Thank You Lord for what You are set to do in the lives of our people; Thank You Lord for the Previous Sessions of this Programme.

Father be Exalted in the Mighty Name of Jesus!

Father, we also Thank You Lord, for what You are going to do in this Session.

Father take all the Praises, take all the Adoration in the Mighty Name of Jesus!

Father as I speak Your Word now, I want You to speak through me, in the Mighty Name of Jesus!

The Bible says "the entrance of Your Word giveth light and understanding to the simple."

The King of Glory, by the reason of Your Word, our lives will be ILLUMINATED, and You

will make us Simple enough to digest Your Word, in the Mighty Name of Jesus.

Whatever is not in Your intention will not be found in my expressions, in the Name of Jesus!

Let there be an agreement between Your Mind and my mouth, in the Mighty Name of Jesus.

At the end of this Session, all Glory will be returned to You; and all Blessings will be ours, in the Mighty Name of Jesus.

Thank You King of Glory! Thank You our Precious Redeemer for I Pray in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen!

... And a living soul will say Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

I want to share on a Topic: SHINING IN A DARK WORLD.

WHY DO WE NEED TO SHINE IN A DARK WORLD?

... What is the ESSENCE of SHINING in a Dark world?

- 1. The first (1st) reason is because we are the LIGHT of the world.
- ... And LIGHT is meant to SHINE!

The Bible says in the Book of Matthew 5:14:

"Ye are the light of the world. A City that is set on an Hill cannot be hid."

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And Light is meant to SHINE!

... Another reason why we need to shine in a Dark world is because:

2. We are a City that is set on the Hill that can never be hidden.

As a matter of fact, we don't have the capacity to be hidden by our Configuration.

... Another reason why we need to shine in a Dark world is because:

3. We have been given an object command to SHINE.

In the Book of Isaiah 60:1, the Bible says: "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the Glory of the LORD is risen upon thee."

Arise, shine; is a matter of urgency.

We have been given an urgent Command to SHINE in a Dark World.

... Another reason why we we just have to SHINE is because:

4. The Glory of the Lord has RISEN over us.

Isaiah 60:1-2, the Bible says: "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the Glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the Earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and His Glory shall be seen upon thee."

The Glory of God cannot rest upon you, and you will not SHINE!

As a matter of fact, that is enough reason for us to Shine!

... Another reason why we need to shine in a Dark world is because:

5. We have been given the Capacity to SUBDUE Darkness.

The Bible says in the Book of John 1:5: "And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not."

Darkness does not have the capacity to withstand LIGHT.

So, we have been given the capacity to SHINE in this dark world.

... Why the need to Shine?

6. Because it is in our SHINING that Gentiles will come to our LIGHT.

In the Book of Isaiah 60:3, the Bible says: "And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising."

Meaning it is your Shinning that will make a way for the Gentiles to come to Light; because Light attracts; Light gives illumination.

It is in your SHINING that men would see your Good works; it is in our SHINING that men would see our Good works.

When we don't SHINE, nothing Good is seem about us!

... Another reason why we need to SHINE;



... We are saved, for the Salvation of others!

It is to Reflect His Glory; to respond to the need of all men.

We are meant to Shine, so that we can respond to the need of all men.

It is in our SHINING that God is GLORIFIED.

When Light SHINES, it makes all the difference.

I Prophesy to all my listeners and all those reading now on the Label of DMC that: You will make the difference, even in your Generation, in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

No one Shines CASUALLY - You don't shine casually. You have to be DELIBERATE to SHINE in this Dark World.

You don't Shine by CHANCE, you shine by CHOICE;

Because of your Willpower, God can command Light! - By connecting to electricity, bulbs Shine.

As an individual, you can't Shine, if you don't pur your Willpower to use.

That is why the Bible says: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your Good works, and Glorify your Father which is in Heaven" - Matthew 5:16

... Meaning you must Permit your life to Shine!

Light does not shine by Chance, it Shines by CHOICE - You must choose to Shine for you to make a difference in this Dark world.

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You need a life of determination to Shine.

Jesus was deliberate about Shining when He came into this wretched world - He was very deliberate!

If you are not determined to be Strong and Self Motivated to Shine in Soul winning; you may not make a lot of difference.

Look at what Jesus said in the Book of Mark 1:38: "And He said unto them, Let us go into the next towns, that I may Preach there also: for therefore came I forth."

It is a matter of determination! If you must Shine, you must be decisive, you must be dogged about your SHINING.

The reason you must Shine is because God wants you to REFLECT HIS GLORY!

ATTRIBUTES NEEDED TO SHINE

For one to SHINE in a Dark World, the fellow must Possess the following attributes:

1. You must be conscious that you are the LIGHT of the world.

If you are not conscious that you are the Light of the world, you may remain a Light and never shine till you die.

2. It is the Consciousness of who you are that will make you to manifest your Identity.

Your "Real Identity" will never be manifested until you are conscious or your Identity.

Until you come to the consciousness of being the Light, you will never stop mingling with darkness and you will never be a Solution to this dark world.

Another thing is that, Daniel made himself clear to the Chief of the Eunuchs, that he cannot defile himself - Daniel 1:8.

Joseph refused to Partake in the evil of his brothers; but rather reported their evil doing to their father - Genesis 37:2.

Samuel distinguished himself from the two (2) sons of Eli. He refused to be a victim of Peer group influence. He just chose to be different, even in the house of Eli.

It is your sense of Identity that determines your real worth in life.

You may be the Light and end up being DARKNESS - if you refuse to SHINE!

In the Book of Luke 11:35; the Bible says: "Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness."

That means if you are not careful, even though God has made you the light; you may end up becoming darkness if you refuse yo Shine!

If you don't know that you are a Solution, you will end becoming Part of the problem you are Ordained to solve in the land of the living.

It is the consciousness that will help you to disassociate yourself from every works of darkness.

Peer separation from many form of darkness; just as God separated darkness from light, in the Book Genesis 1.

Whoever you need, you can never lead in life if you love the work of darkness. You can never affect the work of darkness.

If you want to be a Solution, then you end up becoming a Problem!

And if you want to become a Solution, you must not be Part of the Problem you are meant to solve!

Light is Superior to darkness - Light illuminate, Light brings attraction.

In the Book of Isaiah 60:3 - "And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising."

3. Light shows the DIRECTION to follow.

We are to show direction in this dark world.

4. Light ILLUMINATES.

We are to illuminate this dark world.

Light exposes what is hidden - You don't cover the works of darkness. Rather, you expose it.

Because everything is made visible by light - With light, there is no iota of hypocrisy. It exposes what is hidden.

Everything is made visible by light.

5. Light cannot COEXIST with Darkness.

When Light shows up, darkness disappears!

Your appearance in this dark world should cause the darkness of this age to disappear.

No matter how little the light is, it will make a lot of difference even in darkness.

As a matter of fact: The THINKER the darkness, the BRIGHTER the Light when it is SHINING in the real sense of it.

It is the Presence of darkness that gives RELEVANCE to Light.

As a matter of fact, we are Lights meant to SHINE!

What gives us relevance is the Presence of the same darkness.

As a matter of fact, Light is not light when there is no darkness. So, it is the Presence of darkness that gives relevance to Light.

If your Absence is not felt; your Presence is not needed.

When there is no darkness, there is no need for light.

There is a need for you in this generation.

WHY? - Because there is the Presence of darkness all over.

That everybody is doing it does not make it right; you must CHOOSE to live an EXEMPLARY LIFE.

That it looks Good does not make it GODLY - It may look Good, but that does not make it Godly.

You just have to be DECISIVE and live a separated life!

That the idea is POPULAR, does not make it Right!

That it is CURRENT, does not make it CORRECT.

The idea may seems current, but that does not make it correct!

That it is the Talk of the Town, does not make it the "Talk of Heaven"!

You just have to choose to be the light, and SHINE in this dark world.

That it does not Matter, does not mean it will not become a MATTER ARISING in the nearest future.

... Beware of Popular Ideas, if you want to SHINE in this dark world.

The LATE<mark>ST in Town may make you LA</mark>TE.

... May you not die before your time - Amen!

As a matter of fact, joining the MAJORITY does not make you MAJOR in life.

Living by other people's opinion will make you a Stranger to yourself, and ultimately, you will become a Societal Slave.

... You just have to make up your mind to SHINE in this dark world.

Living by other people's opinion can only make you a VICTIM of Circumstances.

Live to PLEASE God! Not every Good Way is God's Way.

Not every Movement is God's MANDATE! - It may be a Movement in this Generation, but it is not God's Mandate.

So, we need to be CAREFUL, if we really want to SHINE in this dark world.

The three (3) Hebrew Boys said to the King in Daniel 3:8-20;

I am always challenged each time I read about these three (3) Hebrew Guys.

And they said to King Nebuchadnezzar: "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up."

... They chose to be among the Minority.

Some times people day "Majority carry the votes" - Not in all cases!

Why? - Because the Presence of one light is enough to bring every forms of darkness into confusion.

What I am saying is that: You must be ready to defend your Faith in the face of opposition, if you want to SHINE in this dark world.

Many of us are not ready to defend our Faith in the face of opposition.

If you want to SHINE in this dark world, you must be willing to defend your Faith in the face of opposition and Persecution - like the three Hebrew Guys did!

Daniel also defended his Faith in the face of opposition.

In Daniel 6, it was decreed that no one should Pray to other God (except the King).

"Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his Chamber towards Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and Prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime."

And all those who conspired against Daniel, eventually became the victims.

What I am saying is that: Do not be a Compromiser if you want to SHINE in this world.

If you are a Compromiser, you will be Part of the Problems you are Ordained to solve.

Love the God you serve, and get connected to Him.

It is your Connection to God that determine your Collections in the Journey of life.

Be Obedient to God in the Public Place - not only in the Church.

... We are the Light of the WORLD, not the Light of the Church.

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Many a times, we live a life of Pleasing God in the Church environment; and live displeasing lifestyles outside the Church environment.

For you to SHINE your light in this dark world, you must live a live of obedience in the Public Place.

You are the Light of the world, not the light of the Church - Jesus Christ is the Light of the Church.

You go to Church to be illuminated by His Word (Light) and go out there and emit the light to the Society.

Don't live the right life in the Church, and live the opposite outside the Church.

Stop being a Chameleon who changes its colour with the weather.

Many of us, we are one Person at home, another Person in the Church, another kind of a Person in our work places.

You cannot keep changing like the weather and be able to change this Generation.

... You are a reflection of the Light of God.

As I close: Have the FEAR OF GOD in the Public Place, not in the Church.

Your ability to tremble before God outside the Church environment, makes you to SHINE in this dark world of Pretence, the dark world of Hypocrisy.

Your eyes must be fixed on Him within loss of focus, for you to SHINE.

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Don't live a double life if you must Shine in the dark world - Be a LOVER of Christ.

In Matthew 22:37-38; "Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy Soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and Great Commandment."

Be a CARRIER of God's Presence like Joseph did in the house of Portiphar.

In Genesis 39:2-6, the Bible said something concerning Joseph: "And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to Prosper in his hand."

The Master SAW!

Light that cannot shine and it will not be VISIBLE.

Light gives attraction; Light illuminate.

When light SHINES, It gets the attention of everybody.

Take a LEAD in whatever you do and give DIRECTION to this Generation.

Know where you are going, stay focus as a Young man and as a Young woman.

Shine as you have been Mandated.

Why? - Because it is in our SHINING that God is Glorified.

I Pray for everyone that: You will SHINE - Amen.

I also will SHINE in this dark world, in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen.

Let your Life BEAR FRUIT - When you are Fruitful, you are Useful.

When you are Fruitful, you are Result Oriented.

When you are Fruitful, you will become Productive.

You can never be Fruitful and be useless - A Fruitful man is a USEFUL man!

And when a man is USEFUL, He cannot be easily RELEGATED.

No right thinking Coach will Bench his BEST.

What I am saying is that: In a Public Square; in your Place of work, in your School, make a MARK.

Why? - Because to shine means to EXCEL.

You cannot claim to be SHINING and you sit for an examination and fail - Yet, you Speak in Tongues.

The Holy Spirit inside of you is an Excellent Spirit.

How can you be Speaking in Tongues and you go for an Interview and fail? And an Unbeliever is carrying the day - Stealing the Show.

To SHINE means to EXCEL and to Excel you need the Holy Spirit.

You can't carry the Spirit of God and be a Nonentity.

Let your life Preach the Gospel. - Whatever they do is done in the Name of the Lord.

Meaning that whatever you do, do it in the Name of the Lord.

Colossians 3:17 says: "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him."

You cannot say: "I Fornicate in the Name of God."

You cannot say: "I Steal in the Name of God."

You cannot say: "I Duped my brother in the Name of God."

You cannot say: "I Alter figures in the Name of God."

You cannot say: "I Manipulate others in the Name of God."

Whatever you do that you cannot ATTACH the Name of God to, DO NOT DO IT.

"Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus,"

Let this be your attitude in the Public Square; live an exemplary lifestyle, worthy of emulation.

In the Book of 1 Timothy 4:12, the Bible says:

"Let no man despise thy Youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."

As I close, I want to leave you with this statements:

"Live a life of Discipline - It takes discipline to say Ni."

Until you say No, you will never be known in this dark world.

You must learn to say No to the temptation of our time.

Whosever fails to say No, or who does not know how to say No will never be known in this dark world.

It is saying No that made Daniel Prominent in his time.

It is saying No that made Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego stand out in their own time

It is saying No that made Joseph relevant in his own time.

For you to be relevant and cause a change that we desire, you must learn how to say NO to every enticement of the devil for you to SHINE your Light in the darkness of this age!

CLOSING PRAYER

I Pray for everyone under the sound of my voice and you reading now on the Label of DMC:

That God of all Grace will make all Grace available unto you, and you will make a lot of difference in this Generation.

... And so shall it be unto you!

And I Pray for everyone; that the Change you are Ordained to effect, you will be the Agent of that Change, in the Mighty Name of Jesus!

The Bible says: "Light shines in the midst of darkness and darkness could not understand; darkness could not comprehend, darkness could not overcome."

I Pray for you, that in your Generation; Darkness will not overcome you!

And Your Light will not turn to darkness; rather, you will SHINE in this dark age!

You will make a difference in this dark age!

You will cause the needed CHANGE in this dark age!

You will not die as a Problem, but you will live as a Solution, in the Mighty Name of Jesus!

I Pray for everyone, that: You will not a burden but you will be a BLESSING.

You will be an ANSWER to the questions of our time, in the Mighty Name of Jesus!

You will be a Blessing and not a Burden; a Solution and not a Burden; an Asset and not a Liability!

You will be a Plus and not a Minus to this Great Kingdom;

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Thank You King of Glory!

For I Pray in Jesus' Name. - Amen!

God bless you - AMEN!

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TALK 1 (MORNING SESSION): PASTOR TAPERE ALEXANDRA



TOPIC: INFLUENCING YOUR WORLD.

DATE: 1ST OCTOBER, 2020

BIBLE TEXT: MATTHEW 5:13-16

Hallelujah! Glory be to God in the HIGHEST, and on Earth - Peace, Goodwill unto all men.

I want you to lift your hands unto the Lord as we Magnify the Name of the Lord.

I want you to Exalt Him for He is Good, and His Mercy endureth forever.

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He is our God, He is our Redeemer. He is the King of kings, He is the Lord of lords; He is the Alpha, He is the Omega. He is the I AM THAT I AM.

Father, we Bless and Magnify Your Holy Name. Oh, we Exalt You! Father we Bless Your Name.

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El shadai, El shadai, Elohim and Adonai, Age to age You are still the same, By the Power of Your Name; El shadai, El shadai, Elohim and Adonai, I will Praise and Lift You High, El shadai. OPENING PRAYER

Our Lord and our God, we Bless and Magnify Your Name. We Thank You for Your Faithfulness and Mercy.

Glorious God, The Bright and Morning Star, the Root of David, the Everlasting King, we Bless You.

... Accept our Thanks in the Name of JESUS!

Lord we Thank You for this Convention; we Thank You for how You have been impacting Your Word upon us.

Thank You for the transformations that have taken place already. Thank You for the New Heights you have moved us into.

Lord we say may Your Name be Praised forever.

Lord as we go into Your Word, we ask that You would grant Your Word access into our hearts.

Lord your Word would ILLUMINATE our Understanding, it will ENLIGHTEN us and EMPOWER us to ACCOMPLISH that which is being spoken.

Holy Spirit have Your way; MAKE Jesus real. Give POWER to every Words. And let everyone be BLESSED.

To the Glory and Praise of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.

Thank You Precious Redeemer! In Jesus Mighty Name we Pray - AMEN!

Shout HALLELUJAH. Amen!

This morning we are going to be looking at a very, very important Topic. And it is Titled: "INFLUENCING YOUR WORLD."

And I am going to be taking my Text from the Book of Matthew 5:13-16.

... Hallelujah - Amen! The Bible says:

13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

May the Lord Bless the Reading and Hearing of His Words in our hearts, in the Name of JESUS - Amen.

INFLUENCING YOUR WORLD.

When we are talking about 'INFLUENCE' we are talking about: A Spiritual Force, Power or Capacity by which we have an EFFECT - upon a person, upon a condition or upon a development.

So, in a nutshell, when we are talking about INFLUENCE; we are talking about MAKING AN IMPACT.

"Having an effect on a Person, a development or a community or a situation;

To change the narrative, to change the direction and to make it go in the Direction of choice.

... I mean the direction of choice of the INFLUENCER.

The Text I read to us is what we call the Sermon on the Mount - The Beatitudes.

The Sermon that Jesus spoke for a long time, covering almost three (3) Chapters - Matthew 5, 6 and 7.

And in these Chapters, Jesus Christ revealed to us (as a Church): our attitude, our Conduct; above all, our Identity.

In the verse 13, Jesus said: We ARE the SALT of the EARTH.

And in the 14th verse, He also said: We are THE LIGHT of this world!

And one (1) of the things I have found out is that Jesus is very choosy when it comes to the choice of His words.

He doesn't speak just anyhow - Anything JESUS says is because, He wants you to have an understanding that:

Whatever He says is to create an impression on your mind.

1. He said 'You are the SALT of the Earth!'

If you look at the Salt and its Characteristics; it says a lot about us.

I. You and I know the Salt is a Preserving Agent. It preserves!

What does it mean to PRESERVE?

It means it does not permit for DECAY. It does not allow whatever we use (food, a substance) to decay.

... It shields it, it covers it.

II. Beyond that, you know that one (1) of the things about SALT (that thrills me): is that it usually activates the Potential of other ingredients that it is working with.

For example, no matter the ingredients you put in a soup; until you put salt, the soup will be tasteless.

It means our Lord Jesus is saying, as children of God:

- We are the ones that are being saddled with the responsibility of Preservation;

- We are the ones saddled with the responsibility of unlocking the Potentials that are on this Planet Earth;

- We are the ones saddled with the responsibility to bring out of all that God has created: the Potential that God has actually deposited in them.

III. Beyond that, the salt actually brings about SWEETNESS.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

It means that, as children of God, we are actually the ones that bring sweetness to this world - Amen

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... Beyond sweetness!

IV. In the olden days (during the war): It is actually documented that Soldiers don't go to War without Salt.

Do you know why? - Because Salt heal wound!

So, when they have wounds from sour (wounds from gunshot), they know that when they add salt to it; it has a way of healing.

Praise God - Hallelujah!

Meaning that, we are the ones that HEAL. HALLELUJAH - Amen!

V. And beyond that, Salt is Antipoison:

When salt is added to anything poisonous, its Presence will not allow the poison have effect on us!

Meaning that Got put us on Earth to be a shield (a protector), to shield this Earth from decay; stop the devil and his cohorts from gaining access.

Praise God - Hallelujah!

2. Now, when you look at all of these; Jesus went forward to say: 'Ye are the Light of the world.' - I love this!

Because He was very PRECISE: He said "YE ARE THE LIGHT."

Even though in John 8:12, our Lord Jesus said as long as He is in the world, He is the LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

Yet, in Matthew 5:14, Jesus said: YE ARE THE LIGHT!

He is the Source of the Light, and we are the reflection of that same LIGHT - AMEN!

But in the world, even though He is the Source, He has delegated the responsibility to us to Shine as Light - Amen!

He is the Tenacious of Light - in Heaven and on Earth.

But He has delegated the responsibility of being a source of Light to us, too.

... We are source of Light!

And Beloved, when you look at the Book of the Beginning - in Genesis Chapter 1: when the Almighty God was creating, He made a statement about light - Hallelujah!

In Genesis 1:14 - when He began to create light:

"And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the Heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for Signs, and for Seasons, and for days, and years:" Amen!

So when Jesus says to His Church: 'Ye are the light of the world!' It connotes that we are Rulers in this world - Hallelujah!

We are the ones Gos expect to be in Position of Leadership and Authorities".

And in Psalms 110:1 -2, when Jesus Ascended up to Heaven, this Psalms was a Prophecy by David of what was going to happen when Jesus Ascend.

He started by saying:

"The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool. The LORD shall send the rod of thy Strength out of Zion: RULE THOU in the midst of thine enemies."

Light has the Potential to RULE (even in the midst of enemies) - Amen!

So Light is a Ruler!

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It says: "Let the light be for Signs, let it be for Seasons."

And in the Book of Isaiah 8:18, our Lord Jesus Christ said (by the mouth of Isaiah);

"Behold, I and the children whom the LORD hath given me are for SIGNS and for WONDERS in Israel from the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth in mount Zion."

That means that anything that God is doing on Earth; we are supposed to be the manifestation of it! We are meant to show the world that this is what God is doing.

And beyond that; the Light also Performs a major role - It says: DISTINGUISH, SEPARATE between the day and the night.

And there is something about Light that thrills me; and God also benevolently bestowed that on Light - And that is the inability for it to recognise Darkness.

... Light does not recognise darkness.

Because when darkness comes in contact with Light, it losses its identity - and becomes Light.

It means that God has so much deposited in us children of God the Potential to TAKE OUT darkness out of our environments.

In the Name that is above every other names; everywhere darkness is locking around in all the Nations of the Earth - the Light of God will dispel them, in the Name of Jesus - Amen!

In the Book of Ephesians 2:1, Apostle Paul was talking about our initial state, before we came in contact with Jesus.

He said: "And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;"

... Now we are illuminated by the Spirit of God.

And in 2 Corinthians 4:3-4, Apostle Paul said: "But if our Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the Glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."

... In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds (with DARKNESS)!

And the Bible says we are the ones to open their eyes.

It means that the revelation of God is shielded from the eyes of mortal men.

And it will take those who have been transformed from the kingdom of darkness into His Marvellous Light to reveal to the world who our Lord Jesus Christ is.

... We are to reveal to the world who God is!

The whole world is BLIND; we are the LIGHTS. We are meant to manifest His Light.

There is another thing about Light that thrills me: When you walk in darkness, you don't Point a Torch BEHIND you, you always point it AHEAD.

And this shows that we are AHEAD of this Generation - We are ahead! We are above others - We are in FRONT.

And the front positions are always occupied by Leaders: we are the Leaders!

Sometimes ago, I was telling some Group of People that if we have been waiting for the Secular Government to proffer solutions to the challenges of our time; we are going to wait till eternity!

Why? Because the challenges of our time is been orchestrated by the forces of wickedness.

The only Group of People EMPOWERED with the Potential and ability to displace darkness is the Church.

Meaning we are meant to be Leaders in all spheres of life; we are meant to show the way - Amen!

And beautifully; it does not matter how thick the darkness is, when Light is making a Passage Darkness gives way to it - AMEN!

There is something that I forgot to mention when I was talking about the SALT.

SALT has a Penetrating Power!

When you put salt in your food, and you ignite fire from beneath; the fire unlocks the binding force that is holding the salt together.

That means salt Penetrates the entire meal when it is subjected to heat.

Oh, I wonder when the children of God are been subjected to heat and they run away!

Excuse me: When you are subjected to heat, it is for you to be able to Penetrate - Amen!

In the Nations of the Earth, there has been Persecution against Christians.

Hear me; when the Early Church was Persecuted, it led to their Penetrating the nooks and crannies of the Earth.

It means that every opposition of Darkness to the Light is always an opportunity in disguise - Amen!

The SALT penetrates! God wants us to penetrate to all the mountains of INFLUENCE:

In Family Affairs, God expects us to be the ones championing that course.

In Government, God expects us to be the ones in charge - determining the destinies of people.

Brethren are you aware, that most times Government Officials occupy a seat, it is like they are not the ones in charge anymore.

They are being controlled by the power BACKING UP the seats.

And unfortunately, because of our foundation, most of the Seats in Government Houses have been covenanted to Idols and forces of Darkness.

Many of them have gone to all form of demonic Agents to get Power to access those Positions.

Excuse me: Whoever gives you Power controls you when you get to the Seat.

... And Jesus is saying: we are the Light!

Economic challenge of the Nation cannot be solved without the Church.

And I Pray in the Name that's above every other names: God is raising from out of Zion, Financial Giants that will solve the Economic challenges in the world -Amen.

We are the Light! We are meant to influence the Entertainment Industry - Praise God!

Oh, I see so many dancing steps been imported from the world into the Church.

It is time for us to begin to move our Youths to come up with the Kingdom Dancing Style that will be exported from the Church to the world - Amen!

The Church is not meant to copy the world; rather the world should be copying from the Church.

The world is not supposed to be determining the destinies of the Church; the Church is to determine the destinies of the People of the world.

And that is going to happen, in the Name of JESUS - Amen!

What about in other areas - Arts, Technology, Science and the Church.

In fact, I did a little study, and I found out that this Civilization experienced all over the Earth was started by Christianity.

Christianity is the bedrock of Civilization - Praise God!

Many of us today, we wouldn't have been able to go to school, if not the Christian Missionaries came with Education.

They came with Health and all manner of civilization because, anywhere you see civilization you see enlightenment and illumination.

And the foundation for enlightenment and illumination is the WORD OF GOD- Hallelujah!

The Church is supposed to be in charge of Education because Education given to People is not bringing transformation to their life.

Education is meant to Impact lives; and this can only be Possible by the Power of the Holy Spirit.

Take a look at some of the Inventions - Aircraft (flying object), for example;

Do you know that the Wright Brothers were sons of a Methodist Pastor? - They were sons of God.

The whole world said it was impossible to fly metals on the air. Those Guys went back to the Scriptures, and said to themselves: The Scripture does not tell us that anything is impossible. It says: with Gos, ALL things are possible!

And they invented Aeroplane, they invented Helicopter and they used themselves to try these things.

And the whole world saw it, and began to build on what was invented by them.

If you read about Michael Faraday, anytime he is in the Laboratory, before he starts his experiment; he raises Altar of Praise and Worship to God!

I can see why he got so much inspiration, that so many People in Higher Institution of learning are banking on the foundation of their invention.

The Church is Number One (No. 1)! The Church has the Role. In fact, when we begin to speak about Christian Social Responsibilities (CSR); it is not all about Palliative; it is about who is taking charge everywhere that matters.

In fact, there are evidences to show that it is high time that we need to INFLUENCE OUR WORLD.

In the Book of Isaiah 61:1-2, the Bible says: "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the Glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the Earth, and Gross darkness the People: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his Glory shall be seen upon thee."

Excuse me, if you are looking for darkness, it is already everywhere!

And anytime you see darkness; it is saying to you: There is an opportunity for your shining - AMEN!

We are Church; we are the Influencer!

And there is something that Jesus said, that I want us to take Note of today:

He went forward, He said in Matthew 5:16: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your GOOD WORKS, and Glorify your Father which is in Heaven."

This means that the manifestation of your light is directly Proportional to the work that you do.

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You WORK speaks volume of who you are!

If you an Engineer, your work speaks to People that - That guy is an Engineer.

As a Medical Doctor, it is not the white cover all that you wear, that defines you as a Medical Doctor.

... It is when you begin to PROFESS - it goes beyond confession.

Our Profession as Believers, is the Light. And He says let it shine by the Good Works you do!

It is high time we look away from Government fixing our roads; and we begin to fix our roads ourselves.

Oh, somebody said: Don't you know how expensive it is for our roads to be fixed?

And I want to tell you how rich and wealthy your Father (in heaven) who has given you the Assignment to SHINE the Light.

It means that if you are going to fix the road, you must stop looking at the Government to fix the road;

Because the Government does not have the capacity to fix the road. They have the money, but that don't know how to spend it - Not because they don't want to spend it;

But because there is a devil who does not want the People to live Peaceful.

God has empowered us; the potential is in us! But there is something I have discovered:

If the Light is not switch ON, it also has the capacity to remain in darkness.

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Oh, everywhere is dark, and the switch Box is OFF. The bulbs that have the Potential of illuminating; because the switch box is OFF - will also remain in darkness.

It means it is not enough to say: 'I am the Light of the world.' Your going to the Box, going to switch it ON - by reason of your GOOD WORKS, it was actually turns on the Light.

So, it is high time we switch on the Light. Look away from yourself, look on the One who calls you the Light.

He has seen what you are doing, He knows what you are capable of doing.

Look away from your limitations, look away from your background. And look at the unlimited Power and Grace of God at your disposal - HALLELUJAH!!!

We are the centre of attraction of the whole world. We are not the ones looking for helpers.

Brethren let me say is: You are connecting to transformation of our Nation to Political Parties!

Excuse me, no Party can change anything; only the Party of Jesus can bring about a Transformation to our world.

And when we are talking about this, we are talking about you - listening to me this morning or reading on the Label of DMC

... You are the ONE!

Look at the Book of Obadiah 1:17-18 and 21, the Bible says:

17 But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be Holiness; and the house of Jacob shall Possess their Possessions.

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18 And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them; and there shall not be any remaining of the house of Esau; for the LORD hath spoken it.

21 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD's.

It means that the SAVIOUR of the world (our Lord Jesus Christ) actually came to save the saviours who will practically change the world.

He has met with you!

If you are Born Again, there is Light in you. Don't tell me 'but my light is little.'

... Let that little light SHINE. Then the intensity will be increased.

The intensity of light is increased by SHINING. It can be turned ON by MORE WORKS - PRAISE GOD!

Don't say 'What can I do? Everyone around me is bad, and they are difficult to change.'

Excuse me, *the DARKER the darkness, the BRIGHTER the light SHINES.

We need to be deliberate about this. It is a decision we all have to make because that is our DESTINY.

The reason why God has decided to favour the Church is; "Because He delights in the Mount of Zion and every dwelling of Jacob."

The Light in the Mount of Zion, the Joy on the Mount of Zion, the Favour and the Power He has given to us is because He wants us to be INFLUENCERS!

Oh, you don't need Faith to buy Cars - There are People who don't believe in Jesus that buy cars.

You don't need Faith to build houses - People who worship idols build houses.

So, when we are talking about Faith to get cars, to build houses - we are limiting the potential of what we carry.

Our Faith is meant to CHANGE the world!

Oh, I remember the story of Alexander the Great - While the Young boy was Nineteen (19) years, he became uncomfortable with his Position in the Palace.

And one Aristotle (his Teacher) saw him weeping and asked him: 'Young man why are you crying?'

He said: My father is conquering everywhere, and he is not going to leave anything for me to Conquer.

The man looked at him and said: Young man, why are you not excited that your father is doing all the works for you - So that when you become a King you won't have so much trouble?

He said: No, I don't want to bask myself in the Victory of my father; I want to record my own Victory.

And he made up his mind - By the time this Young man was thirty two (32) years old, he had conquered the whole world.

He took a decision to conquer; not with the leading of the Holy Spirit but by sheer will Power!

What about you and I that have the backing of Heaven?

It is not even out of Place if we stand and take a decision: I am going to TAKE OVER the world for JESUS.

We are waiting for Jesus to come!

He has come, and He has empowered us with the Holy Spirit to Prepare for His Second Coming.

It is high time we begin to take our Place! It's high time we begin to shine the light and take over everywhere that matter.

Let's take over Entertainment, let's take over Media, let's take over everywhere by Influencing People!

Remember, in the Book of Isaiah 33:22, the Bible reveals the three (3) dimensions of God. It says:

"For the LORD is our JUDGE, the LORD is our LAWGIVER, the LORD is our KING; he will save us."

... Those are the three (3) Levels of Government:

- 1. THE EXECUTIVE (The King);
- 2. THE LEGISLATOR (The Law Giver);
- 3. THE JUDICIARY (the Judge).

Now, if God is ALL of these, I will say to you brethren:

- It is not out of Place for us to be King in our Land;
- For us to be the Lawgivers in our land;
- For us to enforce Judgement!

Because you see Sir and Ma, if an Ogboni man is sitting as the Judge, and another Ogboni man (Secret Cult Man) killed somebody; whosever had been killed by that man is gone.

Because, the Ogboni man sitting as a Judge will ensure that the Ogboni man who killed goes Scotfree.

When a child of God is sitting on a throne of Judgement, there will be Justice in our land. There will be fairness in our land. There will be equity in our land.

All these cases we are having all over the world, there is imbalance, there is no more fairness, there is no more equity.

People are now moving by those they know and those they don't know.

Hear me: When everybody is on the same Plain Performing, then we know who is who and those who are lying.

We are the Light of the world - That is our Purpose.

That is why rapture has not taken Place.

If you are folding your arms and allowing things happen; saying when Jesus comes it will be over; that means you are going to suffer for a very long time.

Jesus gave you the Spiritual Power, and He is seated on the Right Hand of God.

It is clear in Psalms 110:1: "The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool."

Jesus has done His Part, hence, He is seated now (crossing His leg).

But interestingly, do you know where He is sitting - He has actually ask us to sit there, too?

Oh Yes! In Ephesians 2:5-6; "Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by Grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in Heavenly Places in Christ Jesus:"

Jesus is seated far above Principalities and Powers; and so if you are sitting by His side, that means you are far above Principalities and Powers!

Darkness does not have it in his culture to confront light. It knows that it doesn't have what it takes.

That line of demarcation was placed there in the beginning and so darkness cannot cross that line of demarcation to the territory of Light.

But hear me: Light can cross that line to the territory of darkness. That is the decree of the Almighty.

And so, we can Penetrate, we are the SALT. And when we Penetrate, we can give Leadership in all ramifications. We are the light of the world!

Jesus is coming for a Glorious Church - A Church that has emancipated in its full Potentials.

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Oh, we are still scratching the surface of the Potential of the Church.

Thank God for healings to the sick; Thank God for the opening of the blind eyes; Thank God for all those Miraculous Manifestations.

But I stand here Prophetically declare: We will begin to see children of God becoming Co Controllers and Decision Makers, in all Fields of human endeavours - in Science and Technology, etc- Amen

Because it is written: ALL the Nations of the Earth will come to Mount Zion because out of Zion shall Proceed forth the Law and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

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Remember, when Nebuchadnezzar saw the desolation of the world's Power, in a dream (of that great image);

He saw the head of gold, the breastplate of silver, the thigh of brass, the leg of iron and the toes (Partly clay, Partly iron).

And he saw a stone without a hand, beinh cast and hit; a Glorious and Bright image. All broken down - blown away. Because they became dust (blown away).

And the stone that hit the image on the feet started going - and it filled the whole Earth.

When God was going to interpret it to Nebuchadnezzar by the mouth of Daniel. He said:

The Kingdom is going to move from Babylon to Medes and Persian, to Gracia, to the Roman Empire up to the European kingdom. God is going to set up another kingdom.

That kingdom is not going to belong to any People. It is not going to be ascribe to any Nation. It is going to be the Nation that will be managed by the Saints of the Most High God - AMEN!

Look at Joseph, famine was coming, but he became the one that was used by God to feed the Nation.

Look at Daniel, he was influential Politically; even though they were struggling to accept his Belief, yet they couldn't do away with him.

... He was too Powerful to be ignored.

Different kings needed him in their cabinet because they knew what he carried.

When others were told to bow to the idol of Nebuchadnezzar, he was given his own space.

You know he was not in the picture and he was not bothered at all because he had carved a cliché for himself!

Look at David; all the People of Israel were afraid of Goliath.

Who will face this Goliath?

But this Young man (David) said: Who is this uncircumcised Philistine, to confront the Army of the Most High God?

He killed Goliath and brought Victory to Israel.

And he ended up as the sweet Psalmist of Israel.

What about the Young Lady in Naaman's house? She looked so insignificant.

She was a MAID, but her impact was felt by Naaman and she has not been forgotten in history. Amen!

There is something that you carry. Don't say: I don't have anything. You are undermining what you carry.

Remember, Genesis 1:26; when God was to create you, he created you out of Himself.

... That means you have the gene of God in you.

What is the definition of a GENIUS? - The GENE that is in us.

You have the gene of God in you; you can do what God can do. He is the Creator, and has delegated to us the Power to create - Amen.

As I round up: Brethren, nothing in this Nation and all over the world is beyond the capacity of the Church to handle.

It has to start from our conviction. It has to start from our choice. It has to start by we accepting our identity.

When you know you are the SALT, you know you are the LIGHT. You are now looking forward to an expression.

All He has done, by making an impression on you of Who He is, so that you can become an expression of Who He is to the world.

So, if He had made an impression on you, and you say the Lord is Good all the time; His Mercy endureth forever. The Lord is a man of War, the Lord is this and that!

When you know all of these - It is just information; when you begin to manifest all of these, then you are the one who is Ruling the world with the Lord Jesus.

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Brethren it is right time. Everywhere, let us begin to take our Position.

Hear me: When Light begins to shine; darkness does not have the Power to stop it.

Let your CHOICE be made for God - Be among those who will live for God in the future and not for now.

But be among those who will leave a Legacy behind. Let Posterity speak of your impact, your Influence or your effect.

We might not have another Bible to be written, but hear me: There is a BOOK in Heaven (the Library of God) in which it is written concerning you and I.

According to Psalms 40:7-8 it is written of you, it is written of me, in the volume of the Book - I COME to do Thy Will oh, God.

What is the Will of God?

The Bible says that Jesus will see of the travail of His Soul, and He will be excited.

What was the Travail of His soul? - That Satan be banished entirely from the Universe.

And that was why He went to the grave.

The Bible says He spoilt Principalities and Powers; He made a Public Show of them and triumph over them in Victory - Colossians 2:14-15.

... The devil was, and is no more! Though it looks as if he is - It is because we have not taken a decision to put him where he belongs.

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Brethren, it is time for us to ARISE! It is tie for us to begin to SHINE; for as the Light of God has illuminated us from the inside; let it Penetrate from within and let there be a manifestation from without.

... To the Glory and the Praises of the Lord!

Thank You JESUS.

Shall we just lift our voice and begin to magnify Him?

Let's Thank Him for the Word He has sent to us. Let's Thank Him for reminding us again of who we are!

If you don't know who you are, the devil will tell you who you are not by leveraging on the situations and circumstances of this world, to define you.

But hear me: No situation or circumstance is too Powerful to define you.

What defines you is what God says about you because He is the Architect of your life.

ALTAR CALL:

If you are hearing me anywhere or reading now on the Label of DMC and you are not Born Again - YOU ARE IN DARKNESS.

And if the Light in you is DARK, then how THICK is that darkness?

There is a Potential of Light in you, that needs to be activated.

Wherever you are reading this Message (on the Label of DMC) and you want to give your life to Jesus; I want you to bow your head and repeat after me:

ETERNAL KING OF KINGS, I COME TO YOU. I KNOW I AM A SINNER - FORGIVE ME ALL MY SIN.

LORD, HAVE MERCY ON ME. REMOVE MY NAME FROM THE BOOK OF DESTRUCTION, WRITE MY NAME IN THE "BOOK OF LIFE."

LET ME BE, THE SALT OF THE EARTH; LET ME, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. USE ME TO THE GLORY OF YOUR NAME.

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THANK YOU FATHER!

... Let me Pray!

CLOSING PRAYER

Father I Thank You for everyone listening to these Words everywhere (or reading now on the Label of DMC).

As they have heard that they are the SALT and the LIGHT;

May they remain insatiable until there is a Manifestation of their Saltiness and the Manifestation of their Lightning.

Let them begin to take their Place where it matters in the affairs of men.

That all together, with Unity of mind and Purpose; we will give Glory and Honour to Your Name for ever more.

Thank You our Father and King; Glory be to Your Name forever more.

In Jesus' Precious Name, we Pray - AMEN!

... Shout Hallelujah - HALLELUJAH!!!

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Let Us Pray!

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We Bless You, Wonderful Lord, We Magnify Your Name, We Magnify Your Name Amen, Hallelujah (here on Earth!)

Here on Earth, we sing a Song; We Extol Your Holy Name; And in Heaven, we will sing a Song Amen, Hallelujah!

OPENING PRAYER

Our Father and our God, we Bless You. We give You Praise, for another Youth Convention.

Thank You for the way You have been ministering to us; Thank You for the Last Convention in August (Year 2020) and we Thank You for the Youth Convention in October (Year 2020).

We Thank You for ALL the Past Youth Conventions.

We are Grateful to You, because every Year You do Greater Things in our midst; You have started doing it again, and we know You will continue.

... Accept our Thanks and Praises, in the Name of Jesus!

And so Father today, as we are talking about our 'HOMES, AS SHINING EXAMPLE'; You are the Author of the Institution of Marriage and we know Lord, it is through Marriage and Homes that You have already Blessed initially, that the Nations are multiplied.

Therefore, we Pray that every works You have created by Yourself, and every Visions You have for the Homes by Yourself; the Power of the Holy Spirit will make them to come to Pass! The devil will not ruin the Homes!

And You alone, Your Name will be Exalted there in all our Homes.

In Jesus' Mighty Name.

... Thank You for everything!

And even in this Lecture, as many that will listen to it or read it on the Label of DMC: We Pray that You will REPAIR their Homes.

Where their Homes need to be repaired; You will REPAIR. Every Amendments everyone needs to make, You will make it for them.

And God of Heaven, You will Strengthen all our Homes to be like the Homes of Christians that You expect us to.

So much that our Light will Shine and we will Shine for the whole world to see and Promote Your Kingdom.

This is our Desire! So let it Be - In Jesus' Mighty Name - Amen!

Beloved Youths in RCCG; I Congratulate all of us!

... I am a Youth, myself!

I Congratulate all of us, for seeing another Youth Convention.

And I want to Salute our Leaders in the house; Pastor Peter Amenkhienan - The overall Youth Leader!

And all the Youth Ministers, Pastors in all the Regions, Provinces, Zones, Areas and Parishes and then, ALL the Youths.

If you are a Youth in the house, Shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

I want to Congratulate you for this Convention.

The Topic before me today is: "YOUR HOME, AS A SHINING EXAMPLE "

When they gave me this Topic, I said: 'Ha! Are Youths married?'

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The General Overseer was saying that they have the Young Adults and those who are not married; they will be married!

And as a result, when they hear this Lecture, it will help them even to build their own Homes!

And so, I Congratulate the married ones; and I Congratulate those who are not yet married in Advanced!

Because, you are already in the Plan of God that your Homes will SHINE!
I Congratulate you, because when we were getting married, we did not have the opportunity you have!

We didn't have any Lecture, no Marriage Counsellor - Only God.

It was God, because He knew the end from the beginning and we give Him the Glory - Hallelujah!

And so, let us listen attentively, and let us learn because Home is very essential.

And I want to Thank the Moderators of this Programme and those who Prepared the Program - They put "YOUR HOME, AS A SHINING EXAMPLE" in the Programme.

Because the Problem we have in the Church today (laughter!) is about Marriages - YOUNG Marriages most especially.

Homes now scattering!

But today, God is about to do a New Thing in our midst - Amen.

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And I am sure it will spring forth; and every Problems that we have in ALL our Homes, God Himself will remove them, and His Name will be Glorified - Amen.

*Brethren, the BA6SIC family Unit comprises of:

- A Man,
- A Woman, and
- The Child (children).

In Luke 1:1-25; Zachariah and Elizabeth; then, John the Baptist (their son)!

The home is where one's domestic attentions are centered.

You go all over the Place: You travel from Jamaica to Canada; at the end of the day, you will come back home.

Home is very essential! Home is what God started Himself.

"And said: For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?" - Matthew 19:5.

And He Himself is the One who then blessed the Union between the husband and the wife - He told them that they should go and multiply and replenish the whole Earth.

So, when we are talking about HOME - It is the Institution that God Himself started.

So what is it to SHINE? - When we say somebody is SHINING?

We mean that Person is Brilliant, is Excellent - He has a Clear Score (so to say!)

Then, when we talk about EXAMPLE; it is to be worthy of Emulation.

Now, WHY SHOULD OUR HOMES SHINE?

...WHY? Why does God need a SHINING Home?

Because in Matthew 5:14, the Bible says: 'We are the LIGHT of the world".

And the Light Stand that is put under the bushel is not going to shine!

So, we have to put it where it will be able to Shine.

"The Light of the world!" - That is what God calls us.

And not only that one; 2 Corinthians 5:20 tells us that "We are AMBASSADORS of Christ."

You can't be an Ambassador when you are not SHINING.

When you travel out of your Country, you go to your Embassy, and you see the Ambassador -You will like that say they are SHINING all over the pace.

And anywhere we go, as children of God; we should SHINE for God. We should not lower the integrity of Christ.

And Genesis 1:28, as I have told you; God says: We should go and multiply, and replenish the Earth.

And I Pray today, that if there is any Home where there is no multiplication; today will be the beginning of the Multiplication - Amen.

The barren will begin to become fruitful; there will be children round your table, and you will begin to ENJOY beautiful, wonderful Homes, in Jesus' Name - Amen.

So, the Home is the Nucleus of the Society.

If the Home is SHINING, then we will have a Society that will be SHINING.

As many homes that SHINE, it will REFLECT on the Society.

... This is very important!

I have made example of this in one (1) of my Lectures, about Papa Noah:

In his own time, his family Shone. They were the only family spotted by God Himself; that He knew if He gave Noah any assignment, he would do it!

And they all agreed: The father (Noah), the mother, their three (3) sons and their three (3) daughters Inlaw.

They were all in Agreement; they were all serving God together!

The sons of Papa Noah did not go opposite way of their daddy. The wives they married did not disconnect themselves from what they know they do in the family of Papa Noah - They did not go their own way!

As Papa Noah's children are serving God with their father (Noah), the wives they married followed suite, too.

Today, what do we see in the Churches?

Sometimes the wife will disagree - This is not the way I want to be worshipping God; this is not where I want to serve God!

Ha! If it is the way your father is serving God, me I am not following them oooo!

... (Laughter!) It is very sad!

But today, our lives will come back to SHINING EXAMPLES, in the Mighty Name of JESUS - Amen!

And so, the whole Earth is spread back again - through Papa Noah's Family (after the Flood).

What do you want your family to be?

Do you want the whole world to SHINE through you?

What the things that are noted about your family?

Is it noted for Drug?

God is going to remove you from that way to a Shining way, in the Name of Jesus - Amen!

This is why the Convention is holding.

... We have talked about WHY SHOULD WE SHINE?

WHAT IS SHINING EXAMPLE?

The SHINING EXAMPLE will come from the MAN of the Family - THE FATHER!

... This is very important!

I am sure before we talk, already you are going to say: 'We know that is what they will always say!'

But, repetition is very Good! - In the sense that, you don't know the way God is going to bring His Word again to you!

When He called Father Abraham, He told him: 'Come Out!" - In Genesis Chapter 12.

In Genesis chapter 17, He is now telling him: 'WALK before Me and be thou PERFECT.'

In Genesis chapter 18, He VISITED him!

Brethren, God will always appear to a Shining Person!

Before you were born, God has Predestined you. His thoughts towards you are thoughts of Good and not of evil.

And I am sure one (1) of His thoughts is that you will SHINE!

And today, we are been reminded that we have to Shine.

So if you have to Shine; WHAT IS THE DUTY OF THE MAN IN THE HOME?

Because the Man, his Wife and their children, are the People who constitute the home.

They come together to build that home that they want to Shine!

So, what is the Husband's Portion of the Shining?

1. The husband must LOVE his Wife.

While we are talking about LOVE - Love is not for anything that is already Polished, everything that is Beautiful and everything that has no Blemish.

That is why they say 'Love is BLIND.'

The Bible tells us in Ephesians Chapter 5, that Christ loves the whole Church. and He gave Himself for her!

Brethren, What is the Whole Church?

... Everyone who comes to Church!

All of us who come to Church, we are sinners. While we were yet sinners, the Bible says 'Christ died for us!'

In the Church you will find Drug Addicts, Harlots, Murderers, everyone! - They will come to Church.

And then when Christ begins to show His Love to them, they begin to Change. then there will be Testimonies:

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Once I was an Adulterer, once I was a Murderer, once I was this, once I was that!

Because the Bible says: 'We overcame by the Blood of the Lamb and our Testimonies.'

So, Man must LOVE his Wife, as Christ LOVES the Church.

Love is vary essential. And Love is not the one you have because of Physical features - No!

The leg of the girl is very straight, the eyes are shining, she is light in complexion, she is this, she is that!

If that is the LOVE you want, they are Artificial!

The moment anything is wrong with that complexion, then your Love will diminish; and there will be trouble, there will be beating, there will be hatred - Which is against the Will of God!

So, LOVE of God is the AGAPE Love we are talking about - The Love that is GENUINE from the heart.

The Problem People have today (like I always tell them when they come for Counselling) is because they Love because of Material Things.

Some of us, we love because of Material Things, before we got married.

... That is for some People!

But there are some of us who didn't marry because anybody has anything, I want to tell you!

You have heard this from me before: By the Grace of God - All Glory be to God; I didn't marry your General Overseer because of Material Things.

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I am sure you must have heard the General Overseer's Testimony said by himself.

... I have told him not to be saying it continuously repeated.

He will always repeat it that for the first eighteen (18) years of his life he didn't have a Pair of shoes; but he had slippers!

Any way! Shoe is different from slippers. But, eighteen (18) years?

Now, when it continues like that, you would know the kind of Person he will be at twenty five (25) years - How many dresses did he have? And what Material things did he have? Had he a house? Had he a car? Was there any Property? - None!

But today, the Youths of today look for Material Things before they get married. Which is not the right thing to look for!

GENUINE LOVE does not look for Material Things.

So this couple that I want to use as example - JACOB AND RACHAEL.

When Jacob was getting married, he had to serve Rachael's father for fourteen (14) years - because of LOVE!

Leah was first given to him, and the father said, no reversed! He said unless you want to serve again.

He said, I will serve!

He served the father In-law again for another seven (7) years because he knew what he wanted.

... Love is essential in Marriage.

You want your Home to Shine? - There must be GENUINE LOVE!

There is no Perfect Human Being! When you are loving, you love with all the Fellow's Imperfection.

*It is through the Marriage, that the two (2) of you will begin to rob minds together and be correcting yourselves little by little until everything you want in the woman comes to your understanding and then there will be Peace, there will be Joy.

... No Human Being is Perfect!

So, Jesus LOVES us with all our inadequacies; also, men must LOVE your wife.

Because of Love, Jacob suffered for fourteen (14) years to get the right wife.

2. The husband also, as Shining example in a Shining Home: Must be SHINING in the Presence of his CHILDREN.

... He must be a SHINING FATHER!

Who is a SHINING FATHER?

Proverbs 22:6 says: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

The Training of the children must not be left for the woman alone.

Because nowaday fathers, they only see their children in the night (after they had gone to bed). And by 5am next morning, they are off to work!

The children must have slept by night before they returned - They are only Saturdays and Sundays father out of seven (7) days of the week!

... How would you have the time to train the children?

We need to readjust ourselves! Any little opportunity we have to train these children, we must make sure we spend time with them.

That little opportunity, cease it: Oh my dear, this is how to carry this thing, that is how to take this.

That is Training - Not when you shout! They don't need your shouting to hear you!

Training in LOVE; giving them opportunity to LEARN!

Oh, my Beloved, every words you say to them - coin it with every Good words, that will make the child to yield to you.

And you can encourage them: 'Try again, try again! You can do it! Try again".

Even when he or she does something wrong: 'Oh, you shouldn't have done that; say sorry to your sister, say sorry to your brother".

... All these are TRAINING!

Every little time we have, let us begin to give them the Training.

The Bible tells us about Father Abraham in Genesis 18:17-19. God gave a Testimony about Father Abraham: That He knows Abraham, that he will COMMAND his children to do God's Will.

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Can God give that Testimony concerning you? - That you will command your children to do God's Will?

Some men are just men, and they don't want to do any commanding;

... I don't want to believe that they are Lazy!

It is not laziness. Because what they want the children to do, they themselves are not doing it.

It is not sweet in their mouth to say: Oh, my child, I have told you, you must always return early home - At least be home 8pm for the evening Prayer, wherever you may be!

And I have told you; watch out in this house, this is the Portion of what you are to do.

Because you (the father) are not always around, how do you monitor them?

And as a result, they just walk all around the Place, roam about, learn what they are not supposed to do, move with those they are not supposed to move with.

By the Grace of God, when our children were growing and they started going to Higher Schools of learning; anybody who comes to our house, I will begin to say: Hello my dear, how you? Who are your Parents? This and that!

And my children will say: Mummy has started interviewing him Oh. She has started Interviewing her!

How will I not interview him? Why will I not interview her? When trouble comes, it will be for the Parents.

Brethren, we must learn to train our children. This is very important! Train them, by your own example.

Father Abraham did! And because he was obedient to God, his children also were obedient to God.

Isaac, in Genesis 22:1-18, Isaac reminded his daddy not to be before God without taking an offering.

He said: Papa, this is wood, this is knife, where is the Ram to be slaughtered?

And Father Abraham said: GOD WILL PROVIDE!

How many of us take our children to Church? When we are going to Church on Sunday, we will leave them behind.

And by the time you know it, they are already on the street playing Football. In the field close to your house, that is where your children will be!

And you are already in Church as Sunday Teachers, as Pastors, as Ushers! Taking other people to Heaven, and your own children are at home!

How are you going to Shine? Your children are on the field playing Football.

... Train up a child in the way he should go.

Father Abraham trained Isaac - Isaac knew that: Oh, there is no way anybody can go before God without taking something alone. Most especially when it comes to sacrificing.

They carried wood and knife without the Ram to be slaughtered. Thank God that boy Isaac, through the Training of the father, was Submissive - He was Submissive to the father!

Even at the time the father was tying him, he released himself as a sacrifice. According to Romans 12:1 - A Living Sacrifice.

How many of our children can help us in the Valley of the Shadow of death today?

Some children are even ashamed of their father's business. Maybe the father is a Panel Beater by the roadside. Or he is one of the Artisans whose shop is by the roadside

You would not find their children sitting by them, helping them during the holidays. They Prefer to go to the 'Rich' man's house; where they will cross leg and be watching television (watching movies).

... Is that Training?

Wherever you are, don't let them be ashamed of whatever you are doing to train them in school. During the holidays, engage them! Let them be wherever you are!

Whatever you do for your daily living, let them join you, too. Let them be there, let them know what you are doing.

Father Abraham did not put Isaac aside Oh as a child that he must be worshipped! The only child, that they waited for, for twenty five (25) years - Everywhere, let's go!

Even when he told other Brethren: Stay behind, we are going for Sacrifice. He told Issac: 'carry the wood, let's go!'

... And Issac carried the wood, followed Papa.

Where do you leave your children when you are going to Church?

While you are going to work during the holidays, and your work is not in the office - Where do you leave your children?

What arrangement do you make that your children don't stray away?

Training is very important!

We have problems in the Nation today - Now we see young men and women doing all kinds of Yahoo Yahoo.

During the holidays, they gang themselves up because they don't have work to do in their Parents' home.

And so, the devil will find work for the child that is not working.

I Pray that in this Meeting, we will repent and we will begin to Train our Children the way that they should go, in the Mighty Name of Jesus - Amen!

Now, the Woman - The MAMA (the MOTHER)!

The same Ephesians 5:22-24 says: SUBMIT is what the Bible says to the woman.

And SUBMISSION is the word that women hate to read about in the Bible.

But I want to tell you, the Word of God is settled:

"Forever, Oh LORD, thy Word is settled in Heaven" - Psalms 119:89

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There is no way we can remove some things from the Bible. Because it is God's Eord.

And He knows that out of SUBMISSION, a Woman can SHINE better than her Colleagues.

When you submit, you are saying - You are in agreement with your husband.

It means that you are not against what he is Planning to do! You are running with the Vision of your husband.

Whether the Vision brings hardship to you, it brings joy to you; you are to RUN with the Vision - That is Part of SUBMISSION!

Brethren, most especially those of us in the Lord; if we want to be SHINING MOTHERS, we have to SUBMIT.

... The word of God says: SUBMIT!

Some People think that if you SUBMIT, it makes you to be a fool - No!

It Strengthens you, and gives you the kind of reputation that the world cannot give you

... That is, A CHILD OF God because God is noticing it.

I remembered when we wanted to come to live in the Redemption Camp in 1985 - I could remember, October 1st, 1985!

And the General Overseer came to the Camp; the house was not completed; they just finished plastering overnight

... And you know your General Overseer!

I said, the house is not completed and you want to do the Dedication?

He said, he is leaving Mushin, he didn't want to live in Mushin again!

I don't want to mention how the Place - Mushin was then; because Brethren are living in Mushin!

... But it was not conducive for the work God has given to us.

In front of our apartment then, there was a man who was always shouting in the night and will be fighting his wife.

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At the back of the house, there was a Mosque - At the time we were finishing Vigil, that was when they started their own morning Prayer.

So, it was just a horrible life for us; we were not used to it!

So, immediately your General Overseer built this half completed house, he said he was moving to the Camp.

Okay! We followed him.

When we put our bags on the floor, it was soaked with water because it had just been cemented. We had to put cement paper all over the place.

Okay, he dedicated it that day. For us to go back in the evening, he said: You can be going oh, you and your children. I will be visiting you when I come for Digging Deep and Faith Clinic.

Ha! (Laughter) I started weeping again!

Because we have lived in the Bush before when he was a Secondary School Teacher. And I knew what it meant;

... It is a life of loneliness!

Brethren, for almost five (5) years on this Camp Ground, we only had Bricklayers, Carpenters as our neighbours.

And of course! It was a Good thing for me. I started Bible Study with the wives of the Carpenters and the Bricklayers.

... The Carpenters and the Bricklayers were our colleagues in the Ministry!

We started Planting Churches around the Villages surrounding the Camp - Mowe, Ibafo, etc. Mention all the villages around!

The Bricklayers, every Friday evening, we held our Meeting - So, So Carpenter, you are going to here and there tomorrow!

Brethren, for the Woman, SUBMISSION is Compulsory.

If you want your Vision and that of your husband to be activated, you need to SUBMIT.

The moment you don't submit, you scatter your own life, you scatter the lives of your children.

And what God wants to do the life of your husband, He will do it!

It may not be as early as Possible; because of your lack of 'two (2) walking together".

The Bible says except two (2) be agreed. UNLESS you agree!

DISCOVERY MEDIA CREW This is very important!

So, those of us who are in the home and we want to SHINE as a Mother, you have to take it from the Grassroot - First submit!

Mama Sarah submitted to Father Abraham. She submitted to Father Abraham and called him Lord - 1 Peter 3:6 tells us that she called her husband Lord.

And when we now look at Exodus 2:1-9; Moses' Mother - JOCHEBED.

... That is Part of the area we can Shine oh!

She love her child PASSIONATELY. She loves Moses PASSIONATELY.

The Bible tells that the woman hid her child (Moses) for three (3) Months, until she could no longer keep him.

Because the Government of Pharaoh were looking all around for the Hebrew child, most especially when the Hebrew child is a Boy.

... She hid the Boy!

After three (3) Months, she then said: Okay Lord, you have seen me oh. I didn't want to release this child to be killed, but I have to.

She Prepared the Basket of Reed and went and put it in the Brook. And she told the Boy's elder sister: Go and be watching your brother afar off and see what will happen to him.

I am sure when she left, she must have also hid herself and was weeping.

*How much do you love your child? What do you do to them? Do you follow them up?

If they are going to school; following them up in their Progress. Do you know their Teacher?

My children would always say: Ha, my mother would go anywhere!

There is no University any of them attended that I will not be there. There was one that even the Head of Department knew me.

When a Lecturer wanted to cheat my child because that one just told him that he was doing something that is not Good; I followed him to the School - 'You cannot cheat my son'.

And when the Head of Department saw me, he said: Mrs. Adeboye, you are the only woman that I have ever seen doing like this. And you are from Nigeria?

I said, Yes!

He said that he had been to Nigeria on Sabbatical before, so he knew that Nigerians are very aggressive over what they do!

Women, Jochebed followed her son (Moses), kept and cared for him Passionately.

How much Love do you have for your children?

When they fail, do you have the love to tell them: My child, you will not continue to fail, you will make it in life!

Do you Pray! Do you Fast? Do you Encourage them?

This is very important as women who want to Shine because this Shining we are talking about; everybody has to contribute his or her quota so that the WHOLE HOME can SHINE.

Because what God wants for us is to have a SHINING HOME.

What about Proverbs 31 Woman (the Virtuous Woman)?

Proverbs 31:1-11 - That woman was advising her son Lemuel - the King: the way a King should behave.

When our children have to be in any Position, can we consider that they are too high now, we can't correct them?

Oh, we can't give them advice, they are already on their own.

If we allow them to be on their own - and they make any mistake - Don't forget, they are still bearing your name!

There is no way your Shining can be SHINING until you have corrected, you have advised, and you have done the right thing at the right time - No matter how old the child is!

... It is very important!

The woman of Proverbs 31, we call her the Virtuous Woman. She did that, to make sure that her son did not go astray, even as a KING.

How about the CHILDREN IN THE HOME?

Some of you, you are not yet married - You are still children in your father's house.

And the REAL SHINING in a family, that we can talk about: comes through the CHILDREN!

1. For example, SAMUEL.

But for Samuel, the name of Elkahah will not be mentioned. Only Hannah (his mother) we could have heard her name.

In the Book of 1 Samuel 1:1-end; after God had given Hannah Samuel. Samuel Ministered to God and became a Mighty Prophet in Israel - A Mighty PROPHET!

Because this was a child nurtured by the mother. And the mother made a vow concerning him.

And at the end of the day, she went to the Church with the father: 'This is the child, he belongs to God!'

... And dropped him at Papa Eli's feet, to be serving God under Eli's tutelage.

Some of us, if it were us today; some People gave their Children to the General Overseer just for us to train the children. After the University Education they bolted away!

They didn't even say, Thank You! It doesn't matter.

But they will say: God said they should bring this child about four (4) of them or thereabout. You won't see them, they won't come back!

But at the time they were receiving their school fees, they were doing this; you will always see them during the holidays.

Brethren, Samuel lived with Papa Eli, ministered to him in everything! To the extent that when he even heard the Voice of God in the night, he thought it was Papa;

He rose quickly, here I am Sir! The third (3rd) time, the Papa said: When next you hear the call that is the Voice of God - Judt say: 'Speak Lord, Thou servant heareth.'

Brethren, are we obedient to our PARENTS?

Some of us, when our Parents are calling us, we don't even want to hear! We will be busy on the Phone.

Some of the Youths, your Parents are calling you, they have serious message for you - Your Parents will be the last Person you will ever answer.

Whereas, when your colleagues call you, you answer them twice, quickly - We should be CAREFUL.

The Bible tells us that when we obey our Parents; this is the only Law that brings you long life.

And if you don't obey them, then you shorten your days one Earth.

... It is not a curse, it is written by God.

And so Samuel served the Lord till the end. He was the only child that became a Prophet, a King Maker and he was a King Remover!

God so much overwhelmed him, because he was a SHINING EXAMPLE.

In 1 Samuel 10:1-end; 1 Samuel 15:9- end. You will see the story of Samuel there.

2. DAVID:

But for David, little will we know about Papa Jesse - Jesse that did not remember David when the King Maker Came!

He didn't want David - He thought David was just a Boy to just be there in the bush without a future.

But God has a great future for David; because he was already a SHINING EXAMPLE in the Bush; doing what he knew how to do - Worshiping God, taking care of the father's sheep.

And he became King in Israel; he became a Deliverer to his Nation by killing Goliath. He Protected his father's household.

Brethren, these are people that we should emulate as Boys and Youths: SAMUEL, DAVID.

3. Now, talking about ELISHA.

The Bible tells us that Elisha, his father would not have been known if not because of his son (Elisha).

Elisha was diligent, lover of Parents! In 1 Kings 19:19-21; he was so diligent, he loved his parents so much, that even when Elijah showed him a sign to follow him; he said: Wait, I am coming; let me go back to my Parents first.

Today, some of us don't recognise our Parents - we don't want People to see our Parents with us.

What kind of shining do you want to SHINE; when leave your Parents unnoticed?

You don't want People to even know who they are!

Elisha did not do like that! He went back to tell his Parent: 'I have to follow a Man of God, who has showed me my Destiny".

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Brethren, in 2 Kings 3:11, Elisha submitted to a Spiritual Father.

In the Church today, in the Youth Church most especially, most of the Youths (since they are older than their Pastors) they even call them by name.

Let me tell you: Whoever is Anointed, the Anointing of God on their head makes a difference!

There must be reference! We must give Honour to whom Honour is due - it is very important!

He may be your age mate, I want to tell you, you have to Honour him!

The Deputy General Overseer (D.G.O of RCCG) is over Ninety (90) years old. When he was made the D.G.O, the General Overseer was the General Overseer.

The first (1st) son of the D.G.O was maybe a year older than the General Overseer, or about his age mate;

... But Baba D.G.O will always say 'Awon Alagba' (meaning the Elder in this Mission)

Brethren, as a Young man or woman who wants to SHINE; we MUST Respect Elders.

Today, because you wear the same suit, you wear the same whatever; you belittle Elders! You just look down on them, because you are in Higher Position.

It is not what God wants from us. If you are going to SHINE as a Youth; you must give Honour to whom Honour is due both at Work and at Home; your Parents, your Boss in the Office, in the Church also.

You must give honour to whom honour is due - This is very important!

4. And on the other side, let me mention a Woman - MARY:

Mary was cornered by an Angel and she became the mother of the Saviour.

In Luke 1:26-38; the Bible tells us, she was a woman of Great Faith and of Holiness because in her own time, she was found to be a virgin - Competent enough to be the Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Because she received Good Home Training from her Parent; she did not spoil herself.

Today among our Youth, they think that Virginity is something that is unattainable - It means you are not smart, you are not this and that!

Let me tell you, if you mess up yourself before you get married; you will find yourself to blame after Marriage.

Many have spoilt their uterus, they have spoilt their womb before they got married. And they will Present themselves as Holy - Holy to the man they are going to marry.

... After marriage, problems will start!

Brethren, we need to be SHINING Ladies like Mary.

There are others; we have mentioned Sarah!

Sarah is a Shining example to us as mothers, even to father Abraham.

- We have to live Holy;

- We have to make sure that we wait for our time;

Mary waited for her time! She did not do what she was not expected to do early in life.

She kept herself, and she was found to be the one who would be able to carry the Saviour in her womb.

5. Brethren, on the other side is this story as children who will Shine - There are Children like Esau

... I Pray that God will not make you Esau - Because nobody wants to name his child Esau.

In Genesis 25:29-34; Esau sold his future because of food because of today!

Today, it appears as if Youths generally (all over the world) the only ones who want to SHINE are those who are in the Lord, and are serious about their Career.

They are the ones who have PLANS for the future - Some have five (5) years Plan.

But there are some who live their lives as if: 'Let's just live Today and forget tomorrow!'

That is what Esua did! He ate today and tomorrow - Later he wept!

Brethren, weeping will not be the end of our lives, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

When we are talking about other People, we learned about Parents who are Spirit filled; Parents who have the Spirit of God forever.

And their are Children who received the Spirit of God for ever, like the Apostles of the Old.

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Some of us, we started well: We became Born Again, we were Baptised in the Holy Spirit but at the end of the day, what happened to us?

I hope we remembered the sons of Eli? - They destroyed God's Heritage.

The Plans God had for their father that they will always find you and your children in My House!

One day, Hophinni and Phinehas they finished and they destroyed their father - Their father died, they too died. The woman who was pregnant for one of them died.

Brethren, that is not the life God wants for us. God wants us to be SHINING and SHINING EXAMPLE in all our HOMES.

So in conclusion: Would you let your Family Light SHINE or you want to put it out?

That is the question in this Youth Convention. "THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR'

God wants us to SHINE, and you need to SHINE. Because if you don't SHINE as a child of God, you just RELEGATE the Glory of God in your life!

... And God does not want you for that!

He wants you to move from one degree of Glory to another.

We have to be SHINING Lights to the whole world.

We have to sing a Song:

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Make me a Shining Light, To the whole world;

A Shining Light

To the People of the world;

Let the whole world know,

That Jesus Christ is Lord,

Let my Light Shine, to the world!

We have to sing this Song, that God will make us SHINING Lights to the whole world.

The world is so clumsy and so devilish right now; a lot of darkness is covering the whole world. But I am telling you, People still appreciate a Shining Person - Which is what the Holy Spirit has brought to us in this Convention: That our HOMES will be a SHINING EXAMPLE to the whole world.

And the FATHER, the MOTHER, the CHILDREN (which we are); we are the most important People that can bring Glory to God.

Bring Glory to our Father in Heaven; because our Father in Heaven is the LIGHT of the whole world and we too, we should be Lights then we need to SHINE!

I Pray today, everyone that has HID his or her Light under the bushel among us; God Himself will also draw us out from under the bushel and He will make us on a City that is set on the Hill - Amen.

That is what God wants us to be. And we shall SHINE to the end of the day - Amen.

Our Parents will SHINE - Father will SHINE, Mother will SHINE; we too (Children).

The Greatest People who should Shine in the Family are the CHILDREN - And we shall SHINE in Jesus' Name - Amen.

... I think now, we need to bow our head:

If there is any way you have put yourself in trouble - Some of us, our Parents don't even know what we are doing.

We have gone to join Cults; we have gone to join ourselves to one Person or the other and we have been in some Practices that God will not like.

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This is the time to say: Lord, Please help me. Please, just forgive me this once.

I don't want to be like Hophnni and Phinehas; I don't want to be like Esau; I don't want to be like Judas!

Lord, Please help me. Remove me from where I have hidden myself - Put me on the Lamp's stand, where I will be able to stand, till the end of the day.

Every Training my Parents had given to me, let me adhere to them!

Make me an obedient child; make me a humble child like Isaac; make me an obedient child like Samuel.

Let Your Spirit fill me; I want to Shine. I don't want my Light to go out. I want to Shine! Fill my lamp with Your Oil, and let me Shine till the end of the day.

I come before you today, all the areas where I have been failing: Failing my Parents, failing You God; Oh, failing my colleagues and even failing myself.

Today I repent, I repent; make me a Shining Light to the whole world. You are no respecter of Person;

Peter told them: After Cornelius had received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (the whole household); Peter said "God is no RESPECTER of Person!"

That is what God wants for your household today - God wants you to Shine, He wants your Father and Mother to Shine.

He wants you to shine as a FATHER, He wants you to shine as a MOTHER, He wants you to shine as a CHILD in that family.

Why don't you Pick one (1) of these Character and like them?

Whey don't you Pick Father Abraham as a Father - who was a Blessing to the whole world?

Why don't you pick Mummy Sarah or Mummy Mary (the Mother of Jesus) as a woman, whose life was a Shining Example to the end?

Why don't you pick Samuel, Joseph, Elisha, as children in these Homes, so that you can Shine till the end of the day.

If those People can Shine, our Shining is not limited yo them alone; God's Light is still there.

He says we are the Light of the world; a City set on a Hill, there is no way they can hide.

And we can't light our candle and put it under the bushel.

Father Lord, today we repent, remove us from under the bushel, put us on your Lamp stand.

Help us; we want to SHINE; we don't want our lot to be like that is Hophinni and Phinehas. Help us to SHINE.

If you have joined your self to the Cult, you have joined yourself to whatever the name of the Cult; you have joined yourself to People who have influenced you badly; today, come out of them in the Name of Jesus!

Come to the Light of the Living God. He will drive away darkness from your life, and you will SHINE for God, forever!

... You can SHINE!

Let's begin to bring our Prayer to a close.

In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER

Everlasting Father, we are here before you; we Thank You for this Session at the Youth Convention 2020.

We Thank You that we know Your thoughts toward us are thoughts of Good and not of evil;

You have always meant well for us that we should Shine!

When we Shine, we show forth your Glory and the Praises of You Lord that has called us out of darkness into Your Marvellous Light.

And this is what we want: We receive SHINING for ourselves as Fathers, as Mothers, as Children in this Convention.

That from now on, where our Light has gone out; you will rekindle our Light by the Power of the Holy Ghost!

And Husband will be able to do what he should do; Wife will be able to cooperate with the husband and Children; who are the Glory in the Homes; they will only do things that will make them SHINE and will bring Glory to the Name of the Almighty God and to their Homes, in Jesus' Name.

If there is any of them who has joined themselves to any form of Cult and joined themselves to bad Company that has influenced them; we say today that Your Power that brings Light will disconnect them from the source of this evil Company and the curse, in the Mighty Name of Jesus!

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As we cover ourselves in the Blood of the Lamb; we say ALL the Power of the Cult will loose their hold over you and you are set free today, in the Mighty Name of Jesus.

From now on, you will begin to SHINE! You will make your Parents Proud, and your life will give Glory to God.

Father once again we Thank You because we know that as many that have listened to your word today of reading now on the Label of DMC; Oh, we will transform the whole world because as You said: We are the Light of the world.

We will transform the whole world and we will make You Happy!

And it will be known that, from today, Jehovah it will be registered in Heaven that our Light has come to stay; and we will no longer go back to darkness.

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Thank You Father!

In JESUS' Mighty Name we have Prayed - AMEN!

God Bless You!

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I will sing unto the Lord A Joyful Song I will Praise His Name For the Lord is Good Hallelujah

... Repeat!

OPENING PRAYER

Father Almighty, we want to sing unto You a Joyful Song, we want to Praise Your Name for You are a Good God.

Thank You very, very much for the Salvation of our Soul; Thank You for the Price that You Paid by Shedding Your Blood.

Thank You Lord for keeping us alive well to witness Lord God Almighty another Youth Convention for Year 2020.

Glory be to Your Holy Name - Father, Please accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

As we approach Your Table tonight to dine with You; we ask Lord God Almighty that as we Partake of Your Body and of Your Blood - You will bring Healings to us and You will empower us like never before with Your Holy Spirit.

Thank You Almighty.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

I'm sure that you know that our Theme for the Youth Convention is: THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

And as we approach the Table tonight; our Bible Text is going to be: Matthew 25: 1-13.

Matthew 25:1-10;

1. Then shall the Kingdom of Heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

2. And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

3. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

That actually means that they took no Extra Oil with them.

4. But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

5. While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

6. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

7. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

8. And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

9. But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

10. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

11. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

12. But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

13. Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

I thank God that God has chosen this Particular Passage to talk to those of you - The Youths and the Young Adults and those of us who considered ourselves Young.

Because, there is something there that happened that I will not be able to dwell in too much in our discussion.

That is the fact that says: Watch, for you don't know the Hour when the Son of man will come!

There is always the tendency of this kind of feelings among Young People that they have Eternity to decide for God.

You know that we are Young - Young People don't think about death.

That is to be expected because they are Strong and Healthy.

But God says: WATCH!

When we were meeting during the RCCG National Youth Convention in Year 2019; none of us knew then that this Year; our Convention will be Virtual.

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And but for the Grace of the Almighty God; many of us who are here today would not have been around now - We could be dead; the Pandemic could have killed us all.

It took the Grace of the Almighty God - The God who answers Prayers that has kept those of us - Particularly in the Continent of Africa till now because we just didn't have what it takes to face the Pandemic.

Probably, the only thing that we could claimed that we have is God and some People who knew how to Pray.

A Bishop visited us from America not too long ago and when he was explaining what was happening in New York at a Particular Point in time - When thousands were dying everyday; I shivered.

Because he said one of his members working in the Hospital who told him: That when they have been working, working and they said: Well let me go to the Ward to go and rest. Before they returned from their Wards, ten (10) People would have already been moved out dead.

And each time someone died on the bed; when they are moving him out; they move them with the Bedsheets.

So, the Person said that they were changing the Bedsheets almost every few minutes.

And then I looked at Nigeria - My Blessed Country. We do not have any Resources to face this Pandemic.

As a matter of fact; it is when it hits us hard that many of the "Isolation Centers" that have been forgotten, that we now begin to rush to Prepare them - And yet God spared us.

I think that God deserves Praises for His Mercy - Praise ye the Lord (Hallelujah)!

But the Point that I'm making is: We only know today; only God knows tomorrow!

Death is not a Function of Age!

Sorry Oh, maybe I'm speaking Mathematically when I used that term.

What I'm saying is: Death does not respect your Age - It doesn't want to know whether you are Young or you are Old. When it wants to kill, it kills.

But thank God that there is a God who says: It is only those who I kill that will die.

Thank God that He told me loud and clear and I remembered that I told you: It is only those whose Time has come this Year that He will allow to die.

... And then, Thank God for His Faithfulness!

But Please, let us Young ones stop taking the 2nd Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ carelessly - He can return any moment!

And when we are talking about Returning; He has Returned for you the day that you died.

If He doesn't come at Rapture; He can come to Pick anybody from here anytime.

Now, let us come to the issue of: "The Bright and Morning Star ".

For any Lamp to shine at all; there must be OIL in the Lamp - That is very crucial!

You see: When the ten (10) Virgins were going; their Lamps were burning but there was Oil in the Lamp.

It is when the Bridegroom tarried that the "Foolish ones" said to the "Wise ones": Give us Oil out of your Oil, out of your "Extra Oil" for our Lamps has gone out.

What does that mean? - We have run out of Oil.

Exodus 27:20 says: Bring Oil to cause the Lamp to burn always.

If the lamp is going to burn; there must be Oil.

To keep burning as we see in this Story; you must keep Refilling.

In Matthew Chapter 25 that we read; from Verse 7 to 9 (Matthew 25: 7-9); when the Oil ran out, the Light went out.

... You want the Light to keep Shinning; you must keep on Refilling with Oil.

I remembered the advice a friend of mine - An elderly friend of mine gave me the first time that I bought a car.

He came to congratulate me and say: Ha, my little friend congratulations. You are now a Car Owner.

He said: Keep your eyes on the Fuel Gauge from now on.

Because before now; you are riding in a Taxi - It is none of your business how the Taxi works: You Pay, you Go!

Now, you own your car - Keep your eyes on the Fuel Gauge. Otherwise you will just be in the middle of the road and the car would stop.

Not because there is anything wrong with the engine but because the tank is empty.

Keep on branching at Fuel Station to refill.

And he warned me: Don't wait till the fuel tank says empty - Keep Refilling.

That you spoke in tongues yesterday - You are full of the Holy Spirit yesterday; that is no excuse for not Refilling today!

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It is what is in you that will determine how far you go!

The African Elders has a saying: It is what is inside the bird that the bird uses in Flying.

What is in you? - It is what you are going to fly with!

1 Kings 19: 4-8; the Bible tells us that Elijah went on the Strength of the Meal - The two (2) Meals that he has taken on the Journey for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights.

... It was because there was something in him.

The Angel woke him up twice - The first (1st) time, he ate. The Angel came the Second (2nd) time and say: Eat again, for the Journey is far.

I agreed that you are Young, you are Strong - Let us agree that in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ; God will hear my Prayers over you and none of you will die Young - Amen.

That means that: You have a longer Journey than those of us who are Old.

Some of us has been on this Journey for quite a while - We are ready to go anytime God says: Come Home. It will be a Pleasure to go and rest now.

But you are Young, you are Strong, you are just Starting your Life - You have a long Journey ahead of you. So, keep your tank full and keep on Refilling.

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How do you do that?

The Lord said in John 6: 53-56 - He said: Until you eat My Flesh and drink My Blood; you have no Life in you.

But if you eat and you keep eating; if you drink and you keep drinking; you will be Shinning till the Last Day.

Romans 8:11 - And with that I'm Closing - It says: If the Spirit of Him that raise Jesus from the death dead dwells in you, then He that raises Jesus Christ from the dead will quicken your Mortal Bodies.

In John 14:19; He says (This is the summary of it): As He lives, so shall you live.

You know what that implies: As He shines, so shall you shine.

Because He says that: I am the Light of the world.

And He turns around to you and say: You are the Light of the world.

We come today to Partake of His Body for Life, for Health, for Strength and then to drink of His Blood for Power, for Fire - So that you can begin to Shine!

You know the Story of Saul of Tarsus very well: After the Bright and Morning Star knocked him down on the road to Damascus and he was in a house there - Fasting and Praying and God sent a man to him.

... Ananias, go and lay hands on this fellow!

The man went there and lay hands on him so that he can receive the Holy Spirit, so that he can be set on Fire.

Then the Bible said that after that, he ate so that he can receive Strength.

And when he had received Strength; immediately he began to Preach Christ.

Tonight, we are coming to eat - That food that will give you Healing, it will give you Health, it will give you Strength.

Then, you are going to drink the wine - And that wine is Symbolic of the Holy Spirit, Symbolic of the Fire and the Fire will "Jump Start" your Life and you will begin to Shine.

In the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ: You will begin Shinning forever - Amen.

And you will Shine to the Other Youths, into the Kingdom of God - Amen.

So shall it be - Amen!

So, I want you to spend some times in Prayer:

Thank Him that thus far, He has helped you.

And cry unto Him for a New Beginning - A Brand New Beginning: A New Beginning of Fire; a New Beginning of Power, a New Beginning of Anointing, a New Beginning of Strength, a New Beginning of Health, a New Beginning of an Incurable Desires to win Souls.

... Talk to Him about that!

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And if there is anyone of you who is listening to me now or reading now on the Label of DMC: Who came here maybe as a result of the Invitations of your friends and you are yet to be Born Again.

Oh, Please surrender your lives to Jesus Christ - He is willing to save your Souls, He is willing to heal your Body, He is willing to Baptise you in the Holy Spirit. He is willing to set you on Fire for Himself so that very soon; you too will be Shinning.

So, call on Him and ask Him to save your Soul and I will join you in Prayers soon.

Oh, Thank You Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION

My Father and my God; once again I'm Thanking You for yet another opportunity for Your children to have their own Convention (RCCG, National Young Adults and Youth Virtual Convention, 2020).

And I Thank You for Your Words that has gone forth and I'm Thanking You for those that I might not even be able to see with my Physical eyes but who are there surrendering their lives to you.

Please, receive them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away their sins, let them become Members of Your Kingdom.

And Lord God Almighty, when You are setting everyone of us on Fire; set them on Fire too.

Thank You Father. COVERY MEDIA CREW

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION.

Okay, we are getting ready now to come unto the Table of the Lord.

The Lord Jesus Christ, the very Night in which He was betrayed took bread and when He has given Thanks He broke it and said: Take, Eat; this is My Body broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit - Amen.

Now by extension; all the Elements in your various Centers has been Anointed - Amen.

As you eat the bread today; the Lord will increase your Strength - Amen.

And you talk to Him and say: Lord, Please make me Whole, make me Strong so that I can serve You better - Amen.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit - Amen.

... In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

When you drink the Wine today; you are going to cry unto the Almighty God and ask Him: To refill your Lamp and set you on Fire for Him. You cry unto Him that you want to be Shinning Brighter and that He should grant your request(s) tonight - Amen.

After the same manner also, He took the Cup when He has sup saying: This Cup is the New Testament in My Blood. Please, do ye this as oft as you drink it in remembrance of Me.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit - Amen.

Thank You Father - Glory be to Your Holy Name.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, Thank You: Thank You for feeding us; Thank You for Refilling our Lamps.

Lord, I Pray that we will never be weak, we will never be tired, we will never be weary.

Father, set us on Fire afresh, let us burn for You like never before so that our Light will Shine so bright that even during Daytime, that they will see our Stars.

Like never before; help us to win Souls and grant the request(s) of Your children.

Everyone of us: Young and Old; my Father and my God; empower us afresh, make us Untouchable for the enemies.

Thank You my Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise ye the Lord - Hallelujah!

God Bless You All - Amen!!!

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OPENING PRAYER

Father Almighty we bless Your Holy Name.

We give You all Glory and Honour for the Youth Conventions of the Past Previous Years; Thank You for the Marvelous Things You have done for us in the Past and Thank You in advance for this Glorious one that is a Unique One - The first (1st) one we are doing in Virtual Form so that we can reach the whole world even more effectively.

We are very, very Grateful. Please, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Father, we are Praying that in a very, very Special Way tonight; You will bless all Your Youths, You will bless all the Young Adults and You will bless even those of us who are their Parents.

We Pray Lord God Almighty that at the end of it all; You the Great Bright and Morning Star will transform us so that we too will become Great and Mighty Morning Star in Jesus Name.

Thank You Father; in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise ye the Lord - Hallelujah!

We want to give the Almighty God Glory for the Life of our Youths and Young Adults.

We Thank God that it has Pleased Him to let you know Him even when you are Young.

Those of us who came to know Him a bit late in Life were Grateful to know Him, for knowing at all but a lot of wounds has been healed since we came to know Him but the scars remained.

We thank God that in your own case; you are knowing Him early - So, your scars will be less.

As you know very well; the Theme for this Year's Youth Convention is: THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

We will be reading from Revelation 22:16.

Jesus Christ was speaking and He said:

"I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the Churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the Bright and Morning Star".

We will read also: Revelation 2: 25-29

25 But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.

26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a Potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

28 And I will give him the Morning Star.

29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the Churches.

Just one (1) more Passage before we begin to talk - The same Revelation 3:21 -

"To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne".

The Bright and Morning Star - That Is Name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now, I'm sure we all know that Stars are usually seen at Night.

When the Sun is Shinning even though the Stars are there in the Sky, we don't see them.

But then this Passage or this very Bible Text is telling us that there is a Star that can Shine so bright that it can be seen during the day - That is why it is called The Bright and Morning Star.

... It is a Star you can see during the day.

And in case you don't believed that there is such a Star; well ask Saul of Tarsus - He will tell you when he was on his way to Damascus at Noontime; a Light shone from Heaven, brighter than the Noonday Sun that knocked him down from his horse.

So, we are about to talk about a Star that can be seen during the day.

And the Lord Jesus Christ says: I am that Star - The Bright and Morning Star.

... That is how He introduced Himself in Revelation 22:16.

But then He said in Revelation 2: 25-29 that I read to you - He said: He that overcometh, I will give him the Morning Star.

How does that mean? Is He saying that I will give him Myself?

No, He is simply saying: If you will overcome, I will let you join my Club. You too can be in the Club of The Bright and Morning Star.

Which leads us to the Question: How then do I overcome so that I can be in that Club?

That is why we read Revelation 3:21 - He that overcometh shall sit with Me on my Throne even as I overcame and I have sat down with my Father on the Throne.

So, what is He saying?

Yes, I am The Bright and Morning Star, if you overcome you will join my Club.

How do you overcome? - Like I overcame.

What that one leads to is simple - You want to join the Club of The Bright and Morning Star; study the Lifestyle of Jesus Christ.

Find out how He overcame? What are the characteristics of this Person who is called The Bright and Morning Star?

Let us study His Lifestyle together in the next few minutes - Of course it is not Possible to exhaust all but let us take the cogent ones so that we will know how to live our lives from now on so that at the end of the day; we will be in the Club of The Bright and Morning Stars.

1. His Lifestyle is a Life of Fasting.

Matthew 4: 1-2; the very thing that happened after God Pronounced Him after Baptism as My Beloveth Son in whom I am well Pleased was that He went into the wilderness to Fast for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights.

I'm sure that you have heard of someone who said: Lord, I want to do the work that You did.

He said: Fine, I want you to do it.

Okay, where can I start? - Just start from where I started. I started by Fasting for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights - That is the beginning.

All the Major Stars that you can find in the Bible; Stars that are recognised all over the world are Fasters:

I. Moses

In Exodus 24:18; Moses fasted for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights.

And today, Moses is recognised in at least three (3) Religions: In Judaism, in Christianity and in Islam.

How did he start? - He fasted for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights!

II. Elijah

1 Kings 19: 4-8; Elijah travelled for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights after taking a Set of Meal even just at the time he thought his life will be terminated.

III. Paul the Apostle, who wrote most of the New Testament said in 2 Corinthians 11:27 - He said: I fasted often.

So, Please listen to me my children: You want to shine; get ready for a Lifestyle of Fasting - Regular Fasting, Long Fasting.

2. Prayer

We are talking of His Lifestyle; what will become your own Lifestyle from now on.

... He was always Praying!

Why? - In John 5:19; He said: The son can do nothing except He sees what the Father is doing.

In Mark 1:35; the Bible says: Very early in the morning, long before daybreak; He will go to Pray alone.

Oh, Praying together is wonderful - I mean there is Tremendous Power in "Corporate Prayer". But we are talking about you who will want to excel, you want to shine as The Bright and Morning Star.

Oh, when others are sleeping, you will be awake and Praying.

And you know what that one means? - You have to sacrifice that long Period that you spend before Television Set.

In Matthew 14:23; He said when He has sent the People away. He went to the Mountain to Pray and He was there alone.

... We are talking now about Personal Prayer - Your own Praying alone.

There is this Mighty saying that I learnt in the early 1950's from a Book by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow - I don't know if the book is still available but you can check if you can still find the book to buy and read it. It helped me tremendously.

It was there that I read this little Piece - It says: "The heights by great men reached and kept were not attained by sudden flight, but they while their companions slept, were toiling upward in the night" - By Henry Wadsworth Longfellow POET.

The heights by great men reached and kept were not attained by sudden flight - Some of you think that you can get to the Top overnight.

That man said it doesn't happened that way.

He said: While their companions slept, they were toiling upward in the night".

Not just to get to the Top but to stay there requires toiling up in the Night.

Beloveth children, I know that there are some of you who must have Probably said at one time or the other: Why is daddy still Fasting and Praying - You believed: Oh, your daddy is the greatest, he has reached the Top?

... It is another thing to stay there!

He (Jesus) kept Praying alone in the Garden of Gethsemane!

Luke 22:44; the Bible says: He was Praying so hard that He was sweating Blood.

... And that is some serious Praying.

And He was alone there Praying.

Oh, He took three (3) Hefty men with Him - Peter, James and John; come along and let us go into this Garden.

But when it got to a certain Stage, He says: You wait here and then He went further on to go and Pray.

Listen to me my children; nobody can Pray for you like you can Pray for yourself.

Oh, I know the Bible says: If any of you is sick, let them send for the Elders - Praise God for the Elders but Elders does not mean Old Age.

And the People that you said should be Praying for you might fall asleep - They fell asleep on the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

It is the one who is carrying the burden that will know what burden he is carrying; it is the one who is carrying the suffering that will know the suffering; it is the one whose shoe is Pinching that will know where the Shoe Pinches

... Nobody can Pray for you like yourself

And not "Casual Prayers" this time; "Rigorous Prayers" and that is why you need to be alone when you are Praying.

In Luke 11:1; the Bible says that the Disciples were watching the Lord Jesus Christ - Everytime He will wake up early in the morning, He will go and Pray.

Many at times, when the Disciples wake up; they will be looking for Him: Where is He? - He has gone to Pray.

So, the Bible says that on one occasion when they must have been watching Him from afar; when they saw that He has finished Praying; they came to Him and say: Teach us to Pray! - There must be something that you do everyday; Teach us how to Pray!

... Praying can be learnt

When I first became a Christian, Born Again in The Redeemed Christian Church of God; I came from a Denomination where the Reverend will read the Prayer and the rest of us will answer Amen.

Then I joined The Redeemed Christian Church of God and I came among the People who Pray as if their life depends on it and I know that my Life depends on Prayer.

And in those days, when the Service is over - As soon as they finished the Preaching; they ask you to go and Pray. And nobody will disturb you - You Pray until you are satisfied.

And I will kneel down and Pray like other People - At least I will kneel down when they are all kneeling down and my Prayers in those days will be very short: Lord, You know why I'm here. I have a Problem which I want You to solve for me. If You solve the Problem, I will come and give You Thanksgiving. So, solve the Problem quickly so that I can come and say Thank You quickly. I hope You understand.

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And then I will add: Our Father, who art in Heaven; Hallowed be thy Name...

And then I will lift up my head and nobody is lifting up his or her head yet. And I don't want to be the first one to go; so I will put my head down and repeat what I have already said and lift up my head again.

After some time; I said to myself: What is wrong with these People?

I was already a Lecturer in the University and I was surprised to be learned because most of the People around me are illiterates - There must be something these People know that I don't know.

I noticed one Particular Person that was very Good - So, I made up my mind that I will learn how to Pray.

So, I will come to Church very early; I noticed where he is sitting and sit next to him. Then I began to see that this man will spend the first thirty (30) minutes just Praising God and I was just copying whatever He is saying.

... And I was serious, God knew I want to learn how to Pray.

A time came; I didn't need that man to be by my side to know what to say.

And I learnt that People were doing Vigils in their homes; so I wanted to do Vigils. But I found out that if I knelt down to Pray; I will wake up the following morning on my knees.

I tried walking around; it was then I discovered that I can fall asleep walking - I will be walking, after some time; I will lean against the wall and I will find myself fully asleep.

And it wasn't long after that I discovered that there is only one way to stay awake when I'm Praying by Night - That is by climbing the Stairs. Go up and down - If I dare fall asleep on the Stairs; I know I will wake up very soon.

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... Prayer can be learnt!

Now, I can go on for hours in the Night - Thank God for the Redemption Camp where I can walk for hours until I'm satisfied.

You might not have that opportunity where you are living but you can climb the Stairs.

The Lord is always Praying for hours!

Remember that without Him, you can do Nothing - John 15:5.

... Learn to Pray!

3. And then of course: He was Full of "The Word"

In Matthew 4: 3-11; how did He overcome the devil?

By saying again and again and again: It is written.

Anytime some People tried to catch Him; He is always saying: It is written!

For example: Matthew 21: 15-16; the Pharisees came to Him when they saw the children shouting Hossana et cetera, et cetera.

Wait a minute, can't you hear what these People are saying? Don't you think they are making you god?

He said: Have you not read that out of the mouth of sucklings/babies ...

He quoted the Word of God to them and they had no answer to that.

In Matthew 21: 12-13; when He got into the Temple and found those who are buying and selling and He drove them out and overturn their tables and some People are about to say to Him but You call Yourself the Man of God, You call Yourself a Preacher - How can You be doing this in the House of God?

He said: It is written, my House shall be called "The House of Prayer".

... He was quoting the Word and telling them what was written.

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Why must you be Full of The Word? Why must you not keep on and not just reading it, not just medidating it but memorising it?

Psalms 119:11 says: Thy Words have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee.

... He was a Man of "The Word" - That is how He became an Overcomer. That is what you must do too.

4. He was always Full of Gratitude.

Everytime He want to do anything at all; He gave Thanks

In John 6: 5-13; when He was going to feed five thousand (5,000) People with the Lunch of a small boy. He took the food in His Hands, He gave Thanks.

In John 11: 39-45; when He was going to Perform what many People considered to be His Greatest Miracle - Raising a man who had been dead for four (4) days - He said: Father, I thank You; before the Miracle.

In Matthew 11: 25-26; when He was talking about several things that some People are supposed to know but they don't know - He said: Father, thank You for hiding these things from these People.

... The Mysteries of the Kingdom, You decided to hide it from them.

He was always Full of Thanks!

At the Last Supper in 1 Corinthians 11: 23-24; the Bible said: He took the Bread and gave Thanks!

People say: Sir, why do you spend so much time before any Service Worshipping God, Praising Him?

I always smile - I wish they were with me in my Prayer Room? They would have known how many hours have gone into saying Thank You!

It is when you are Grateful that you can receive more Blessings.

You remembered the first time we held the Holy Ghost Service (HGS) in Abuja when we were about to start the Branch of our Church there and we were going to conduct the Holy Ghost Service (HGS).

And I was staying in an Hotel and I locked myself up and was Praying: Lord You must do Marvelous Things. It was supposed to be a three (3) Days Program - Save Souls Lord, Heal the sick, demonstrate Your Power.

And all of a sudden, He spoke to me and said: Shut up.

Of course, I have told you before; I was glad when He spoke - At least, it means that He has heard me.

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Do this for me, do that for me? Am I your houseboy?

All the things that I have done for you in the Past; how many Thanks have you given?

He said that for the next three (3) days; I don't want to hear anything from you other than Thanksgiving, Praise, Worship.

Okay, Lord Thank You Lord.

It was very hard because we just love to ask, we don't like to Thank Him.

Oh Lord God Almighty; Thank You for what You have done in the Past, blessed be Your Name but don't forget this Evening.

He said: Shut Up, Thank Me.

After three (3) days; towards the end of the Program - He said: Go home, tell your Elders, anoint them and let them go and begin to Strengthened the Foundation of the Church because He said: Whatever you have seen so far is Addition; I'm about to begin now Multiplication.

... Learn to be Grateful!

It is clear that many of us Young ones nowadays we don't even know the Meaning of Gratitude

When we were growing up, whenever somebody gives us something; our Parents will say: And what should you say?

... They teach us to be Grateful!

Because in Psalms 50: 14-15: You want to know the secret of Victory?

The Almighty God said: Come first of all with Thanksgiving, Pay your Vow and then call on Me in the day of trouble and I will answer you.

5. He was a Man under Authority.

You know He has said: Me and my Father are one. He said it Himself - He said: We are equal.

Afterall it was written in the Beginning was the Word; the Word is with God and the Word was God.

And the Word with my Father at the Beginning are equal.

But if you read Luke 7: 2-10; when that Centurium came to Him for the Healing of His Servant and He said that I will come to your house and come and heal him.

The Centurium said: No, No, No - You don't need to come to my house. I also I'm a Man under Authority.

You know the meaning of "Also"?

It means you are under Authority; I am under Authority - The two (2) of us are equal in that.

I'm under the Authority of Caesar; that is why when I say to this Soldier: Go, he goes; when I said to him: Come, he comes.

You are under the Authority of Your Father in Heaven, just speak a Word and my servant will be whole.

You don't need to come to my house - We know the Power of the Almighty God in Heaven and You are under the Authority. Speak a Word and the sickness and demon will disappear.

In John 14:10; He said: The Father who sent me does the work.

... Anything you see me achieving; He said: Oh, it is not Me, it is the One who sent Me.

In Luke 22:42; in His Greatest Hour of Trial on Earth; He said: Father I know You have the Ability to remove this Cup from me but not my Will but thy Will be done.

... Absolute Submission.

And when you see some People being Mightily used of God; check: They are men and women who has discovered the Power of being under Authority.

Nowadays, the Young ones don't want to be under Authority of anybody - That is why there were so many General Overseers all over the world.

People who should be Sunday School Teacher under the Authority of somebody but they don't want anyone commanding them, telling them to do this and do that - They want to do their own thing.

Forgetting that like somebody said: The tail of a Lion is more Powerful than the head of a dog.

... The very tail end of a Lion will command more respect than if you are the head of a dog.

Just let anybody touches the tail of a Lion; you will have the Lion to deal with.

When I was a Young Fellow like you - I mean I'm still Young but Youth is relative; I never did anything without the Permission of my father in the Lord.

And I will give you an example: When I was at the University of Ilorin (Kwara State Nigeria) and we were talking at the Worker's Meeting one day and someone just mentioned a Particular town in Kwara State where there was no Church.

Hey, none at all? - They said none.

And I say: Glory be to God; here comes a Church.

Why is there no Church?

They said if you go there, they will stone you.

I said Good. What do I do?

I travelled straight to Lagos, I came to my father in the Lord and say: I learnt there is this town where they said there is no Church; I want to go there and Witness.

Should I go? I have come for your Permission.

My father in the Lord laughed and said: You don't need to ask for my Permission; the Permission is already given.

I got back home; gather the Young ones together. My wife who is here and could testify and we invaded the town.

We have not been in the town for more than thirty (30) minutes - Going from house to house; when we got a summon from the Baale (Community Head). He says: What are you People doing in my town?

I said we are not quarreling as we brought the Good News - We are just telling your People about the Good News and that all will be well with the town as the Prince of Peace is here.

Oh, is that it? - Yes sir, that's all. We are not fighting anybody.

So, he said: Go and we went.

About an hour later; another summon: We have been told that you are disturbing the Peace of the town.

No, we?

To cut the long story short; that Place is now a Provincial Headquarters.

But I had the boldness to go because I am under the Authority of someone who said: Go.

The Lord was a Man under Authority that is why He was so Victorious.

Another Person who also under Authority like that is Paul the Apostle.

You know the story in Acts 19: 11-17.

He was Performing Mighty Miracles - His handkerchiefs were casting out demons et cetera et cetera.

And some People thought we know he is just using the Name of Jesus - Anybody can call that Name and they saw a demonised fellow and said: You demons get out!

The demon said: What do you say?

He says: In the Name of Jesus that Paul Preaches; get out!



... You know the rest of the story.

But you must remembered that this same Paul has said in Philippians 1: 20-21; He said: Whether I live, I belong to Christ; whether I die, I belong to Christ - For me to live is Christ and die is Gain.

... Total Submission!

My wife was sharing a Testimony sometimes ago - She went to buy something in the Store in United Kingdom (UK) but it requires one of the People there to cut through a Piece of cloth using scissors.

My wife was holding the Piece of cloth one side, that man was holding it at the other end.

As the scissors touches the hand of my wife; an electric current went through the Store man and he quickly dropped the scissors and drag back.

Hey, who are you?

You know why that happened? - My wife is one under Authority.

Years ago, there were some Group of women who said they were doing "Women Liberation" and they came to my wife and they said that we heard you call your husband daddy.

No, No, No; we women we are for Liberation. We want to liberate every woman.

My wife said: You want to liberate me from Love, Peace and Harmony in my home?

If you hear me say sir to him; I will say sir again. Go and liberate others and leave me alone.

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Be under Authority

What the Person above you might say may not be too Pleasing to you - Learn Submission. It gives you Power over the devil as it makes you an Overcomer.

6. He was Active and Diligent.

The Lord Jesus Christ was not lazy in any way at all - He was always on the Move.

When you read Mark 5: 2-end; just one Chapter will show you the kind of Lifestyle that He lived.

From Verse 2 to 15; He Performed Deliverance for the Mad Man of Gadara.

From Verse 25 to 34; He healed the woman with the Issue of Blood.

From Verse 34 to 43; He raised the dead (Jairus Daughter).

... All in one day: Deliverance, Healing, Raising the Dead - He kept on Moving. He was diligent.

Some Young ones are lazy.

They just love to say: We are hanging around, we are Chilling out.

Oh, you shouldn't be chilling, you should be Fiery, you should be Full of Fire, you should always be in Action.

... He was Diligent, He was Active!

Hard work doesn't kill - As a matter of fact, it makes you Stronger. So, keep working hard!

Jesus Christ said: My Father worketh hitherto and I work.

7. He was Pure - He lived a Life of Purity.

The Bible says in Hebrews 4:15 that He was tempted in every way Possible but without sin.
He Himself said in John 14:30 - He said: The Prince of this world has come to me and has not found anything in me.

Listen to me my children, don't give an excuse for sinning.

I understand that there are some People who I believed that they are not among you who said that the way they are doing; that is the way God made them.

Ah, God never made anything evil - He made everything Pure.

When He was creating Man, it was Adam and Eve; not Adam and Steve - God doesn't make mistake.

If you are rotten, agree that you are rotten and then cry unto Him and He will turn you to a brand New Creature.

But that you are doing something that is contrary to His Will and you are consoling yourself that, that is the way God made me - That is Blasphemy.

And when the repercussions come; you alone will carry the burden.

The Lord lived a Life of Purity - That is how He overcame!

Just one more so that you can have time to Pray!

8. He was Full of the Holy Spirit, He was Full of Fire.

The Bible says in Acts 10:38 - How God anointed Jesus Christ of Nazareth with Holy Ghost and Power who went about doing Good and Healing all that are oppressed by the devil for God was with Him.

... He was Full of the Holy Spirit - Not empty!

And as you have heard in the Holy Communion Service that we had earlier on (The RCCG October 2020 Holy Communion Service Held on Thursday, 1st of October, 2020): To remain Full of the Holy Spirit means you keep on refilling.

DMC NOTES: You can access the Full Text of The RCCG October 2020 Holy Communion Service Held on Thursday, 1st of October, 2020 via this Link:

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You are Young - Thank God for your Youth; you are Strong, Thank God for your Strength; Pray without ceasing, Learn to be Grateful, Learn to Fast regularly - The flesh works against the Spirit. Subdue the flesh - Fasting clears the way for the Holy Spirit to flow Mightily.

If you ask me; I know what I'm talking about.

You want to operate in "High Voltage Anointing"; learn to Fast and then stay under Authority, remain Diligent, remain Pure and keep on being filled with the Holy Spirit

I'm going to Pray for you now before I release you to go and Pray because you must Pray till you are satisfied tonight.

Let us Pray!

CLOSING PRAYER

Ancient of Days, I want to commit all Your children into Your Hands: They are Young, they are Strong, they can be Mighty Vessels unto Honour in Your Hands.

I want to Thank You for thus far You have helped them - Please Lord, pick them up from there on and set them on Fire for you.

Let these People be those who will take over the world for you.

Through them, let there be Mighty Miracles, Mighty Signs.

And I Pray Lord God Almighty that by the time we will meet next time; they will be Full of Mighty Testimonies.

Thank You Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Thank you so much for staying all through to read.

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TALK 1 (AFTERNOON SESSION): EMMANUEL UDOM (HIS EXCELLENCY, THE EXECUTIVE GOVERNOR, AKWA IBOM STATE)

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Brethren, I really want to thank you, and let you know that I deeply appreciate your kind invitation to me - To join you in this Virtual Young Adult and Youth Affairs (YAYA) Convention 2020.

I am also thrilled by your warm welcome.

Let us also Pay tributes to the imprint that our father in the Lord, Daddy G.O and our Mummy G.O have left in our hearts.

I will love to say that they have roiled and laboured; and we stand on their shoulders.

Our Country, this Generation and the world, owe them a depth of gratitude that only Heaven can repay.

Because the Bible says that: "Unto the Lord shall the gathering of His people be."

I am certain that in this gathering, the Lord shall distill out of our different backgrounds, different experiences and divers mindsets - Testimonies of His steadfastness, His Tender Mercy and all the Love God bestows on all our Young Adult and our Youths alike!

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I will like to first of all say that: On the 1st of July, 1963, a poor 16 years old Boy who lost his father shortly after he was born was among Ninety Eight (98) Teenage children selected based on their Academic Records to visit Washington DC, and interact with Senior Government Officials at the White House.

President John F. Kennedy addressed them, and shook hands with them.

... Each handshake lasted about sixteen (16) seconds; but that sixteen (16) seconds handshake ignite a burning desire in that fatherless Boy.

And thirty (30) years later, Williams Jefferson Clinton (alias Bill Clinton) was elected the President of America.

Bearing this in mind; It is my Faith that as we interact, a fire will be IGNITED in a Youth, leaving him or her to rise to Distinction and Leadership in our Country - Amen.

And what Akwa Ibomites will tell you: "To rise to the fate of Greatness.

I Pay tributes to the Organisers of this Convention, for doing a difficult Job well.

Your choice of the THEME - "The Bright and Morning Star" - And "FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE " as a sub Theme (which I am going to consider today) is a Prove that, like the children of Issachar: You have an understanding of the times.

To remain the SALT of Earth and the LIGHT of the world at this time, we need;

- FINANCIAL Intelligence,

- EMOTIONAL Intelligence, and

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- SOCIAL Intelligence.

Our Text for this Talk is Proverbs 4:7.

The Bible says: "Wisdom is the Principal thing; therefore get Wisdom: and with all thy getting get Understanding."

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There is a difference between WISDOM and INTELLIGENCE but the Bible enjoins us to get Wisdom.

INTELLIGENCE - I will compare it to FLOUR

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... You know flour that we use to make bread.

WISDOM is the BREAD!

Just as you need the flour to make the bread; you need Intelligence to be WISE.

Intelligence is the RAW MATERIAL; Wisdom is the FINISHED Product.

To put this in the Proper Perspective, a Story will just suffice:

John D. Rockefeller born in 1839. He is said to be the wealthiest man in recent history.

As a child, his Pastor told him to "Make all the money he could, and GIVE OUT as much as he could."

He followed that Pastor's advice and he became a Millionaire at the age of thirty (30).

A million Dollar in 1870 - adjusted to inflation today, is compared to Three Hundred and thirty six (336) Billion Dollars.

He also became the world's first Millionaire and the first Person to set up Foundations for Charity Purpose.

To MAKE money, he needed Financial INTELLIGENCE;

To GIVE - he needed WISDOM.

You could be the next Rockefeller if you follow that same advice.

Lately, the world has been infatuated with different types of intelligence - Our Prime interest has been Emotional Intelligence and Financial Intelligence.

The Bible abound with Teachings and Instructions in these three (3):

1. EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE: Is Jesus hanging on the Cross, and Praying: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

2. SOCIAL INTELLIGENCE: Is the Good Samaritan in the Bible - Stopping to give the injured man a helping hand.

3. FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE: Is found in the Parable of the Talents and the Servants who invested wisely.

Financial Intelligence is important because it helps you to secure a Place in today's Business World, and in life generally.

The Bible says that: "Money answereth ALL things."

But we should read this along with the Scripture that says: "The love of money is the root of all evil."

We should NOT be motivated by the love of money, but by thought of the GOOD we can use money to do in our Society.

It is therefore my hope that at the end of this conversation:

- We should be able to leverage within Biblical Standard - The Financial Value Term of Business;

- And Aggregate the Essential Touch Point for achieving Financial Intelligence.

Let's start by trying to explain what FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE is:

Financial Intelligence I would say; constitute the knowledge, the skills of understanding Finance and Accounting Principles.

It teaches you how money is applied Profitably and diligently.

It includes the Techniques and Approaches of Expending assigned on funds alike.

Like - Salaries, Allowances, Profit from Businesses and Entrepreneur Endeavour or even Gifts and Inheritances.

At the Corporate Level:

- Financial Intelligence emerged as best practice and core competence Principle for improved Financial result.

- Increased Employee's Moral and reduced Employee's turnover.

Financial Intelligence is seen in the Parable of the Talents in Matthew 25:14-30.

The Master gave money to these three (3) Servants according to their abilities; before travelling into a far Country.

One got five (5) Talents, another got two (2) and the remaining Person got one (1).

On His return, they accounted for what they got: The ones who got five (5) and two (2) Talents each traded with their Talents and got a hundred Percent (100%) Returns on their Investments.

The Master was thrilled: "Thou has been Faithful over a few thrones; I will make you rule over many things".

... The third (3rd) Servant failed!

How did he FAIL? - He failed to invest, and was Punished.

This Parable is a Metaphor for the word CORPORATE in general.

THE MANAGING DIRECTOR: Who is the Master, entrusted His staff (servants) with Talents - Intellects and Opportunities, according to their abilities.

What we call the RISK QUOTIENT in Business - To achieve Corporate Goals, which mainly is bound to bring Profit to the Organization.

The First two (2) Servants: according to Matthew 25:14-30, are classical study in Financial Intelligence.

*The Third (3rd) servant lacked Financial Intelligence.

... We should not miss the lesson.

What does it say in Matthew 25:28?

"Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents".

Why did He not give it to the Servant with two (2) Talents to make it now four (4)?

Because the Servant with ten (10) Talents took a bigger, but Calculated Risk.

Major Risk taking is a cardinal aspect of Financial Intelligence.

So, if you go to Genesis 1:28, I read:

"And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the Earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth."

God commands us to be Fruitful and to Multiply.

The first two (2) Servants were fruitful and multiplied their Talents (as recorded in Matthew 25:14-30).

... This is what Financial Intelligence is all about!

If you can multiply your Resources, you are Financially Intelligent.

But if you cannot multiply your Resources, you are Financially Unintelligent!

The Bible says that at the time of great famine; Isaac sowed and reap an hundredfold.

This is also recorded in Genesis 26:12.

In other words, in spite of the inherent situation, Isaac remained Financially Intelligent, he remained faithful and he multiplied his seed.

The Theoretical Framework for the Study of Financial Intelligence was set by Organizational Development Academics like Dennis Dennison, Edward Laura, Alfred Pheffaer. It has since gained momentum in Academic world as several Research and Academic Institutions have developed Programmes targeted at Financial Intelligence.

There are four (4) broad areas of Understanding Financial Intelligence.

... These areas are:

- 1. Understanding the FOUNDATION.
- 2. Understanding the ART AND SCIENCE of Accounting.
- 3. Understanding ANALYSIS.
- 4. Understanding (what I call) THE BIG PICTURE.
- 1. UNDERSTANDING THE FOUNDATION.

To understand the Foundation, you need to understand the Instruments of Financial Measurement, such as:

- The Income Statement. OVERY MEDIA CREW
- The Balance Sheet, and
- The Cash Flow Statement.
- ... This can only come through study.

2 Timothy 2:15 says: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

So to understand the Foundation, you must study.

2. UNDERSTANDING THE ART AND SCIENCE OF ACCOUNTING.

It starts with Analysis that this is both an Art of Science.

Why? - Because you try to quantify what cannot always be reduced to numbers.

So you much rely on Rules, Estimates and Assumptions.

To make sense out of Analyses and Quantitative Data, you must be ready for any challenging scenario.

So you must be vigilant; you must read this Scripture in 1 Peter 5:8, which reads:

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:"

Like they say - "The devil is always in the details."

3. UNDERSTANDING ANALYSIS

To understand ANALYSIS (as part of Financial Intelligence); you must be ready and able to analyse numbers and Data in great depth. Calculate profitability, leverage ratio, etc.

You must understand the ramifications and the implications of the outcomes in Analysis and Forecasting.

That can easily be referred to in Luke 14:28. I read also:

"For which of you, intending to build a Tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?"

Success is not an event (I must say); it is a journey and you must Plan for it!

4. Finally, it is what I call THE BIG PICTURE.

This implies an understanding of context within the framework of the BIG PICTURE; and the Influencing Factors.

What are the INFLUENCING FACTORS?

It is what we easily call the SWOT Analysis.

You Analyse:

- Your STRENGTH
- Your WEAKNESSES
- Your OPPORTUNITIES, and
- Your TRAITS.

... It is a very Popular and you can easily read that anywhere.

Or what we call the PESTLE.

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E - for ECONOMICAL

- S for SOCIAL
- T for TECHNOLOGICAL
- L for LEGAL, and
- E for ENVIRONMENTAL

We must always learn to see the BIG PICTURE.

The Late Kofi Annan, former Secretary General of the United Nations stated that one of the most important Lessons of his life was by a Teacher who came during his Primary school class.

And marked a DOT (.) on the center of a White Board. He asked them ' 'What do you see?'

Every Pupil claimed to see the Black DOT (.).

The Teacher said to them: 'So none of you could see the White Board?'

Always take in the entire Picture please!

My Youth, please always take in the entire Picture.

On several occasions in the Bible; God asked People: "What to you see?

There are lots of questions God keep asking in the Bible. He asked Adam: 'Where are thou?

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It is not that God did not know where Adam was. He is God, He knew where Adam was! Yet He asked: "Adam where are thou?"

... Why do God ask Adam where he was?

God also asked some Persons in the Bible: "What do you see?"

Because God is trying to ensure that they have seen the Whole Picture.

Their answers were SPECIFIC.

... Let me take you back to the Bible.

In Jeremiah 1:11 - When His asked Jeremiah what he saw; he said: "The rod of an Almond tree."

He did not say 'The rod of a tree.' - No! He was Specific - Giving details: "The rod of an ALMOND tree."

I think I will also like to read this to you, Zachariah 4:2-3.

The point there is that: Zachariah did not miss the details.

"And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a candlestick all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof: And two olive trees by it, one upon the right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof."

Youths, we must always see the Whole Picture.

... That is what that Scripture teaches us.

These Four (4) Principles of Financial Intelligence lead to Excellence; in Fund Decision Making and Proper Evaluation of facts and realities.

So, the next question now is: HOW DO WE BECOME FINANCIALLY INTELLIGENT?

... It begins with your Mindset!

Mind you, everything starts with the Mindset: Your beliefs about Investments, Savings and Expenditure determine whether you are Financially Intelligent or not.

You know your ATTITUDE determines your ALTITUDE.

So certain attitudes and traits are common to the Financially Intelligent Youth, intelligent Person, intelligent Adult no matter your own stratum.

Let us consider them:

1. Financially Intelligent People are ACTION ORIENTED.

They create what I call Comprehensive and Workable Financial Plans that they may implement and manage diligently.

2. Financially Intelligent people have a SAVING MENTALITY.

There is a story our mother used to tell us. I mean, it could be a fable, but it is a story about Pussy cat

Whenever a Pusey cat enters the bush, whatever it catches, it finishes it inside the bush!

... No, not at all!

Financially Intelligent People have a Saving Mentality - They utilized their Savings for Investment Purpose and compound their money for long term gains.

Joseph in the Bible was Financially Intelligent and through Saving, SAVED Egypt from famine.

Please, read that story in Genesis Chapters 41 to 47) and then you will see what I mean there!

3. Financially Intelligent people shy away from LIABILITIES.

And they buy, they search for the best lowest Prices before making a final decision.

This is why at times, People would always say: If you want to fall, fall Forward."

... Why do you fall backwards?

4. Financially Intelligent People set Short, Medium and Long Term Goals.

You can't live a life without setting Goals; you can't live your life without defining your Goals.

As a Youth, if somebody asks: 'What is your GOAL?' Do you have any? - You can't live your life without it!

You must have Short Term, Medium Term and Long Term Goals as a Youth and focus on them, in order to stay Motivated.

You Goals will Motivate you to achieve something.

And, they do not spend IMPULSIVELY.

Please, any Financially Intelligent Person can never spend Impulsively.

Every Purchase that Financially Intelligent People make, is carefully thought through.

And such Spendings must have a VALUE ADDED Component to it!

You can't just spend on something that has no VALUE - There must be a VALUE ADDED.

5. Financially Intelligent People regularly SEEK PROFESSIONAL ADVICE to multiply their Wealth.

What happens with all our RISK?

How you mitigate your Risk will determine who is more successful than the rest of us.

6. Financially Intelligent People ABSORB, IMBIBE and ADAPT the Characteristics, Habits and Rituals of those who had made successes of such Practices.

A whole lot of them are in the Bible - I just made mentioned of Joseph.

So many you can read off, in the Bible.

7. Financially Intelligent People never STOP LEARNING about Money.

Don't let anybody deceive you; even the Bible says so! - When God wanted to give Solomon Wisdom, God gave him Wisdom and also gave him money.

So if you must be Financially Intelligent, please you must start now.

You know, I have this concept where I stratify life into three (3) Categories:

The first twenty five (25) years of life is what I could call "The Period of FORESIGHT".

And age 26-55 is what I could call "The Period of INSIGHT".

After that, you live in a "Period of HINDSIGHT".

So you can't stop learning about what money is all about, especially in the age bracket in which we are considering in this Convention - Finances, Investment, Best Practices, New Businesses, Regulations, Industries for example, Money for Capital Market and the rest of them.

You must study those things! They develop a lifestyle of study.

Don't get spoilt by what you are reading only on Social Media - Only Social Media cannot take you to where you are going to.

Please, studying is different from Social Media Chatting.

... As the name implies, you can't live your life Socially! - It is not Permitted that a well brought up Christian like all of us and including you reading now on the Label of DMC.

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Let's look at the other side of the Coin: WHAT FACTOR WILL MILITATE AGAINST FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE?

The Bible enjoins us in Songs of Solomon 2:15;

"Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes."

... Here Vine refers to Business.

So this is about the little Foxes we must take away from our Business.

Here, we List some of those Foxes, as referred to in Songs of Solomon:

1. Instant Gratification.

Instant Gratification here, is also what I could call a Fox that will keep you Perpetually in DEBT.

The Financially Intelligent will defer Gratification, and be led to spend a fraction of his Profits only for the Joy of tomorrow.

... They Prefer to endure the Cross today!

You can't spend everything; you can't just do that!

2. We live in DENIAL a lot.

... Especially in this part of the world; we Africans live a lot in Denial.

Living in Self Denial is also one of those things that will militate against it.

Some People live in Self Denial - "I am not interested in money; or money is not everything.

Don't quote that anymore!

As Young Adult, Please don't go about with that quotation. Don't let it even settle in your mind: "I am not interested in money; money is not everything!"

Meanwhile, the Bible says: "Money answereth all things!"

So, do you know more than the Bible?

That is another fox that sabotages Financial Success in Young people.

The Scripture says that 'Money is a defence' - Ecclesiastes 7:12A.

And in Ecclesiastes 3:19B, it says: 'Money answereth all things."

... We live in Self Denial.

Meanwhile, we need money to do everything according to the Bible.

If we want to spread the Gospel (Evangelism) what do we do that does not need money?

We can't even successfully take the Gospel to all the Places we would love to on Planet Earth if we don't have money to get it done.

3. Is what I call 'BLAME GAME' - Blaming and Excuses.

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So many People are just Good at that; it didn't start today!

Eve started it from the beginning - When God asked her, she said "Ah, it is the serpent."

Adam gave his own excuse. He said: 'It is the woman that You gave to me.'

So Blaming and Excuses are part of man but you must be conscious of this: Blaming everyone for your inabilities and manufacturing excuses for your failures, are tantamount to Financial Intelligence totally!

You are the captain of your own ship!

Like Douglas Copland said: "Blame is just a lazy fellow's way of making sense of choas."

Now, if we rid out the foxes - Assuming we have just done away with the foxes I just mentioned. I mentioned Three (3) Foxes:

- Instant Gratification
- Living in Self Denial
- Blaming and Excuses.

So what do we need to Achieve Financial Intelligence?

1. You need Creative Thinking.

This is the ability to break out of the established Oatterns, in order to look at things in a different way; and find a New Way to be Productive with your Finances.

... You must break out, you must break away!

2. You need Negotiation Skill.

The Negotiation Skills leverages on some skills and ability such as:

I. The Power of Measurement;

II. Planning Strategy, and;

III. Cooperating.

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Understanding these skills is a major stake in becoming Financially Intelligent.

Life gives you to what you negotiates! - Jacob got the birthright from Esau by negotiations.

I mean, we all know the story in the Bible. So you get what you negotiate in life.

... Jacob is a classical example in the Bible!

3. You need Communication Skills.

The skill allows you understand and be understood by others.

So many of us cannot communicate so you will finish saying everything you wanted to say and nobody understand you!

This involves;

- Effectively communicating Ideas to others;

- Actively Listening;

- Discerning Salient Points in conversations.

You must give and receive critical feedbacks that impact you.

Mind you here, I am not talking about Social Conversation; I am talking about REAL Business conversation.

4. You need Marketing Skills.

This skill involves taking an Idea or Concept; and communicating the underlining message in an manner that elicits Partnership, Alliance and Collaboration.

It is also the Vehicle to the Market Place where ideas find realistic Expression.

5. You need Analytic Skills.

This is the Process of Understanding Context Functional, as well as Business Analytics.

It includes Assessment of Assets and Liabilities.

Mind you, I am trying to break these things down so that you can easily understand:

A Liability takes money out OF your Pocket;

While Asset puts money into your Pocket.

That is the simplest layman's way I can explain.

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So the question now is: HOW DO YOU DETERMINE YOUR FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE LEVEL?

The highest levels are Possible to attain by anyone who has discipline and a Passion to attain Absolute Financial Freedom.

Akwa Ibomites will tell you (under our DAKKADA Philosophy) that: "Once your Passion is RIGHT, nothing is impossible.

Bear in mind that each level requires a different set of Tasks and Objectives.

However, they all have a Common Dominator and what are they?

1. Level of Protection.

This has to do with the Precise amount of money you will require in Liquid Asset, to be Financially Protected.

Economists will put it in a different way! - You know those motives for holding money (I don't want to go into all that)!

But I am just trying to break it down in a level that all of us would understand.

2. Level of Financial Security.

This is the amount of money needed to achieve Financial Security.

This means, determining how much is needed to be Independent of necessities, such as: Food Clothes, Shelters and Transportation.

3. Level of Financial Freedom.

This Goal is attained when your investment Provides enough Income for you to live the lifestyle you desire for the rest of your life; without having to Borrow!

You know it is not Scriptural to live a life if borrowing throughout our lifetime - No, not at all.

4. Level of Absolute Financial Freedom.

This is the Point at which your Investment Income Provides the certainty that you can do whatever you want as much as you want, whenever you want, with whomever you want without requiring to borrow.

Now that God has shown us the Paradigm of Financial Freedom: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO TO INCREASE OUR FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE?

... That is the next question! And I want to say here;

1. You must have understanding of Corporate or Person Finances.

... You must have that Understanding!

This is the very beginning of Financial Intelligence; without which, you have not even started.

You can't even discuss Financial Intelligence if you don't understand that.

2. You should attend Financial Courses, Trainings, Programmes; and read Authoritative Books in relevant Areas.

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I suggest Books by Robert Kiyosaky - Read such Books!

But let me also say things I tell my People all the time: "The BEST Leadership Book on Planet Earth is the HOLY BIBLE."

There is nothing you will find in any Leadership Book on Planet Earth that is not in the Holy Bible.

You can see, I have taught so far on Financial Intelligence, making almost all of my References from the Holy Bible.

3. You should understand the BIG PICTURE.

... This is where a lot if us fail.

At times, we could be a little bit myopic; we are so much in a haste we don't want to see the BIG PICTURE.

You should understand the BIG PICTURE:

Know your WORTH and leverage on the Knowledge of Professionals and Experienced Financial Experts.

... Just leverage on that!

You should control the things you can control and avoid Wild Goose Chases.

Ask a Young man/woman - Just trying to introduce what they want to do, to you; and you will just be wondering whether they operate in an Abstract World!

And if you fail, you won't like it all. That is why at the beginning I said: Please, as you go through all these, as you follow on all we have taught so far; I said earlier, that if you fall, Please, fall Forward!

Because once you fall Forward, you can easily pick up your self again.

I want to say here: Don't get distracted by what other People are doing and saying.

A lot of us get easily distracted!

The Bandwagon Effect on the Youths is really a major issue.

If someone is talking behind your back it means you are two (2) steps ahead of him or her.

Learn from other People's Mistakes as well as their Victories.

... Don't learn only from the mistake; also learn from their Victories.

Do not compare your Progress to those of others - There is no Permanent Leader in life

It is only when you do not know where you are going, that others would tell you where to go!

You must know where you are going; if you don't know where you are going, others will tell you where to go!

Remember that in Proverbs 22:1, the Bible says: "A GOOD name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold."

Make money God's Way; and reject making it Satan's way!

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... Satan's way leads to DESTRUCTION.

I believe that anyone can become a Success Story. Helen Keller has Proven that: Born Blind and stone Deaf, she was unable to communicate as a child; until a Special Education Teacher did the Vowel sound for her in her hand. She communicated through Braille and in spite of her disability, passed out at Cliff College as the Best Graduating Student.

She could go on to write Books and Influence her Generation.

Times Magazine rated her one (1) of the hundred Most Influential Global Females in the last Century.

When she was asked: "What could be worse than being born blind?"

She replied: "The most Pathetic Person on the entire Planet Earth is that someone who has SIGHT but NO VISION."

The Problem in today's world is that: Many have SIGHT but they don't have Vision at all.

Have a Vision, Run with it; it is for an appointed time that is what the Bible days.

In Habakkuk 2:3, the Bible says: "For the Vision is yet for an Appointed Time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry".

... That is what the Bible says!

In Concluding; Please, remember that:

"Constant Learning, Unweaving Enterprise and Excellent Ethical Consideration at all Levels are sure recipes for achieving Financial Intelligence.

LAZINESS - Always watching movies, always Online to Social Media would NEVER help you!

So conversely, Laziness, Impatience, Unethical Practices, Mediocrity, Lack of Values - Some of us don't have Values.

And the Quest for Instant Gratification; so many People don't want to start.

Life is all about Normal Curve; You must START, you must GROW.

And then, at old age, you now start Ageing Gracefully - That is what life is all about!

But so many Youth these days, they quest for Instant Gratification at the Probity of Financial Intelligence.

Once you see some People, you will know that these are People who are Financially Unintelligent.

In his Classic - "ACRES OF DIAMOND" I know some of you know it.

Youth of these days, some of you don't like reading all these Books.

In his Classic - "ACRES OF DIAMOND" Russell Powell tells the true story of Harley Alfred:

After being told of the Value of Diamond by his friend, Alfred sold his Land and went in search of Diamond. He travelled to Europe. And finally, in frustration committed suicide at Coast of Barcelona.

A short while after, Diamond was discovered on the Land Alfred sold to his neighbour. How can you explain that?

As a matter of fact, the Largest Diamond in Asia "The GOCANDA DIAMOND MINES" is located on Hartley Alfred's Property.

... Yet, he died searching for Diamond in foreign lands.

I wish to declare to you that 'Your ACRES OF DIAMOND' are within you.

Akwa Ibomites will tell you that under our DAKKADA Philosophy: That all that you have is what you need to get to where Almighty God has destined for you.

"What you are looking for in SOKOTO (a Northern State in Nigeria) is in your sokoto (Yoruba word for Trousers)".

... That is what we used to say at the University of Lagos during our days as students.

Your Treasures are WITHIN YOU!

Look at Moses in the Bible; God did not allow him go searching for anything. God just asked him "What is in your hand?"

He did not say 'command me'; He said Part the sea.

So what you have is all that you Need. - That is what our Philosophy in Akwa Ibom is teaching us: "What you have is all that you need; you don't Need anything Extra!"

Everything you need to succeed, God has given to you!

That woman told Prophet Elisha in 2 Kings 4:2; 'I have nothing but a little Oil but that little oil brought a Miracle to her.

That little gift, when you apply it with Financial Intelligence, will change your story and bring multiple Blessings to your Generation and our Country.

TWO (2) CONDITIONS APPLY:

1. Trust God as if it all rest on Him;

2. And work as if it all depends on you.

Thank you for your Attention!

I hope you are Blessed with the little I have been able to share?

This is a very broad Topic; but I have to cut it to make sure you understand.

I want to thank you; and I command Blessings upon our Youth;

That you will have all it will take to move this Nation Forward.

I BLESS YOU!

Thank you so much for staying all through to read.

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Shall we Pray?

SONG

You are God, from Beginning to the End There's no Place for argument, You are God all by Yourself.

Repeat!

OPENING PRAYER

Everlasting Father, we Thank You for Your Faithfulness.

We Thank You for keeping us from the beginning of the year even on to the Month of October.

Daddy we say to You be all the Glory, in Jesus' Name!

We also want to appreciate You for keeping us to another Annual Youth Convention.

Baba (Father) we say be Lifted Up in Jesus' Name!

Father, as we look into Your Word this evening, we ask Oh God, that You will speak to us;

Let Your Word make us whole, in Jesus' Name!

In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

I want to celebrate my father in the Lord, our Coach, our Mentor; Daddy E.A Adeboye, for the Privilege to bring forth the Word of God.

I also want to celebrate our Mummy, Pastor (Mrs.) Folu Adeboye

I Pray that the Almighty God will Strengthen you both, in Jesus' Name!

I also want to recognise the Leadership of the National Young Adult and Youth Affairs for the opportunity.

May the Almighty God keep you till His Return, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

By the Grace of God, this evening we would be considering a Topic: THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

And our Bible Passage would be taken from the Book of Revelation 22:13-16.

... And I read;

13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

.. May the Lord Bless the Reading and Hearing of His Words in our hearts, in Jesus' Name - Amen.

What does the 'BRIGHT' mean?

The word 'BRIGHT' actually means something that reflects Light, and something that Shines.

No wonder Jesus calls Himself in John 8:12: "Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

What does 'MORNING STAR' mean?

Morning Star refers to the Star that announces the breaking of a New Day.

It is important that we note, that in 1 Corinthians 15:41, we discovered that there is a Glory of the MOON, there is a Glory of the SUN, there is a Glory of the STAR. And that each differs from another in GLORY.

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The Bright and Morning Star can do ALL THINGS.

... But we will consider only three (3) of them.

1. The Bright and Morning Star gives DIVINE DIRECTION.

In Matthew 2:1 we discovered that the Astrologers were able to locate where Jesus was, by following His Star.

They travelled all the way from the far East and they were able to locate Jesus in Bethlehem.

Before the advent of Radar Technology, Sailors and Voyagers plot their journey via the sea, using the Star!

And there is no better time for a man to receive Divine Direction other than a time like this - When the future appears blink, when the future is unpredictable!

There is no better time for you to seek Divine Direction, than a time like this.

In Genesis 26:1-3, and also in verse 12; we discovered that there was a Pandemic in the land and Isaac was preparing to go down to Egypt.

But God told him: Do not go down to Egypt, dwell in the land where I will tell. Verse 12 says (Iassac obeyed God);

"Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him."

For somebody reading this Message on the Label of DMC; as you sow in the land, you will reap a 100 fold, in Jesus' Name - Amen.

In Genesis 30:25-31, we also saw God teaching Jacob 'Genetic Engineering.'

And God told him how he was going to make sure that the sheep came out strong. And that they came out in the colours that he want.

In Proverbs 8:12, the Bible tells us that God through His Divine instruction gives us the knowledge of witty invention.

I Pray for one (1) Young Adult that is reading this Message on the Label of DMC, whose Amen can be the loudest; from now, unusual ideas will be birth by you, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

One (1) Scientist who is reading this Message, after now, you will Provide a Vaccine for Corona Virus, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

2. The Bright and Morning Star GIVES LIGHT.

No wonder, in John 9:5, Jesus Himself speaking said: "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

In John 12:46, He said: "I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness."

As you encounter the Light, every darkness around you would be swallowed up, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

3. The Bright and Morning Star GIVES HOPE.

The Present of Stars at night, assures us that the morning is around the corner.

In Genesis 15:2, we see the story of Father Abraham - Who believed that the Promise of God for his life was something that was no longer going to Pass.

He looked at his age and the age of his wife, and thought that: Oh God, how come I have all the riches but I don't have a child?

But the Bible says when God visited him with His Covenant, things turned around for him.

How did I know this?

In Romans 4:18-21, the Bible tells us that:

"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. 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 Sarah's womb: He staggered not at the Promise of God through unbelief; but was Strong in Faith, giving Glory to God; And being fully Persuaded that, what he had Promised, he was able also to Perform."

I do not know which hope has been failing you; I do not know who has disappointed you; but the Bright and Morning Star will appear in your favour now, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

... And your hope will be rekindled, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

In summary, the Bright and Morning Star announces the Breaking of a New Day.

A New Day will break for you after now, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

A New Day will break for your Business after now, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

A New Day will break for your Career after now, in Jesus' Name - Amen!

PRAYER POINTS.

1. Lift your hands to Heaven and say: Father, beginning from now, give me DIVINE DIRECTION.

In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

2. Lift your hands to Heaven and say: Father, let Your Light swallow every darkness around me, in the Name of Jesus.

In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

3. You will Lift your hands again to Heaven and say: Father, by reason of this Message, LET MY HOPE BE REKINDLED, in Jesus' Name.

In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

... Lift up your two (2) hands to the Heavens;

CLOSING PRAYER.

Beginning from this Month, you will never lack DIVINE DIRECTION, in the Name of Jesus!

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God will speak to you in a language you will understand, in the Name of Jesus.

Your Light will not go dim; your Light will keep shining brighter and brighter, unto the Perfect day, in Jesus' Name.

Your hope will not fail you; your hope will be rekindled!

In Jesus' Mighty Name, we have declared - AMEN!

Shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

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I want to encourage you, if you have not given your life to Jesus.

Without surrendering your life to Jesus, you do not qualify for these Gifts, you do not qualify for these Blessings.

I want to encourage you to give your life to Jesus today.

The Almighty God bless you.

Shout Hallelujah - HALLELUJAH!!!!

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And I can assure you that you will be glad you did as it will avail you first hand access to comprehensive reports on the various Messages of Pastor E.A Adeboye and other Men of God!

It is outrightly wrong and a sin we frowned at it for anyone to consciously remove the original source of the work that does not emanate for him or her!

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THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR -MINISTERING: PASTOR TOSIN ALUKO



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BIBLE TEXT: REVELATION 22:13-16

Facebook: @Dmc MediaCrew Twitter: @discoverymediac Instagram: @Discoverymediacrew Youtube Discovery Media Crew Email:info@discoverymediacrew.com Praise the Name of the Lord - Hallelujah!

Before we go into the Sermon, let's Worship the Lord and Adore His Name: the Bright and Morning Star.

SONG

You are God, from Beginning to the End

There's no Place for argument,

You are God all by Yourself.

(Join me sing it one more time...)

OPENING PRAYER

Praise the Name of the Lord - Hallelujah!

Father we Thank You, we Adore You because You are Faithful. There is none like You Lord!

Father as we are about to begin the opening of Your Word; let the entrance of Your Word give light to everyone in the Name of Jesus!

For everyone reading this Message on the Label of DMC; Father Lord, continue to Bless them in the Name of Jesus.

Thank You Father!

For in Jesus' Mighty Name we Pray - Amen!

If you are there, you are Strong and Healthy; help me Shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

Praise God - Hallelujah!

I Thank God Almighty for making today a Special one for you.

I also want to thank my father in the Lord, Daddy G.O, and Mummy G.O, for making it Possible for me to stand before the Throne of Grace today.

And I believe God, as you read this Sermon on the Label of DMC, the Lord will touch you; the Lord will Shine His Light upon you, in the Name is Jesus.

Thank You Father!

For in Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Before me is a Topic: THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR.

The Book of Revelation 22:13-16, the Bible says:

13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

15 For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

Hallelujah! Praise the Name of the Lord - Hallelujah.

This is one of the very few Scriptures that Jesus had to talk about Himself.

In verse 16, He said: "I Jesus have sent mine Angel to testify unto you these things in the Churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the Bright and Morning Star.

It means that out there, there are those Angels that are giving false impression - Pretending to be light.

The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 11:14, the Bible says: "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an Angel of light."

What I am saying is that, if you want to experience the Light of God, you need to run to God.

Now, Revelation 22:15 says something. It says: Outside of Me, you are exposed to dogs, but

inside of Me, you are destined for Greatness.

He said again: Outside of Me, you have Sorcerers, but inside of Me, you have Success.

He said: Outside of Me are Whoremongers, but inside of Me are Worshippers.

He said: Outside of Me are Idolaters, but inside of Me are Stars - Amen!

He said: Outside of Me are Sinners, but inside of Me are Winners.

I don't know what you want to be; Please get into the Light of God today!

It means that if at all you have been confused, you are Perplexed - You don't know where to turn to in this Perilous times:

1. Jesus is saying: My Light is BRIGHTER than all the light you can ever know.

Praise the Name of the Lord - Hallelujah!

According to the Book of John 8:12 - Hallelujah!

2. When we talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are referring to the LIGHT OF MEN - John 1:4

3. When we talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are referring to the CHIEF CORNER STONE - Psalms 118:22.

4. When we talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are talking about the LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH - Revelation 5:5

5. When we talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are talking about the LORD OF ALL - Psalms 2:9-11

6. When we talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are talking about the MESSIAH, the MIGHTY GOD - Isaiah 60:16.

7. When we talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are talking about OUR HOPE - 1 Timothy 1:1.

... Hallelujah!

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8. When we talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are talking about the RESURRECTION and LIFE - Luke 1:32

9. When we talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are talking about the WONDERFUL, the COUNSELOR, the MIGHTY GOD, the EVERLASTING FATHER and the PRINCE OF PEACE - Isaiah 9:6

Let somebody shout a loud Hallelujah - Hallelujah!!!

Just as the morning breaks forth from darkness of night; all things must change for Good the moment the Light of God shines upon you - Amen.

The Book of Isaiah 60:2 says: "For, behold, the darkness shall cover the Earth, and Gross darkness the People: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his Glory shall be seen upon thee.

... AMEN!

Verse 3 (Isaiah 60:3) says: "And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising."

What am I saying? - KINGS, not Ordinary Men because when the Light of God shines upon you, you are moving to the top!

... Because Kings will come into your dwelling.

As you read this Message on the Label of DMC today; I Pray that the Light of God will Shine upon you, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

In John 9:5 Jesus says: "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

... He is the LIGHT of the world - Hallelujah!

I was opportuned to be blessed by one of our Pastors' explanation of Hebrews 13:8 - He was able to differentiate between TRUTH and FACT.

He said: "FACT is something that is Proven Scientifically which may change when the basis of the Facts are changed".

He said: "TRUTH is something that man can attest to because it is a scenario that happened or is still happening".

... Man can confirm that!

But he said that TRUTH is that Word of God which is JESUS; and cannot be changed by TIME, nor by SCIENCE, nor by SPACE.

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Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Hebrews 13:8 says: "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever."

Oh Glory to God - Hallelujah!

I challenge you today to run to Jesus!

If you are not Born Again, the time is now for you to accept Him as your Lord and Personal Saviour.

I also want to mention that the Bright and Morning Star, according to John 1:1 and 5. Which ways:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not."

I was blessed by one of Daddy G.O's Online Holy Ghost Services:

He said: No matter how beautiful a Colour can be; when it gets into the dark; the darkness overshadow the colour.

That means the Potentiality of the colour becomes very DARK - Hallelujah!

What he meant is that: Unless the light shines upon that colour, the colour still remains dark.

What I am saying is that Jesus is the Bright and Morning Star.

That means when He shines His Light upon you, you are immediately noticed.

Isaiah 60:3 says: "And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising."

Praise the Name of the Lord - Hallelujah!

Oh, Thank You Lord!

I saw somebody taking a dimensional Greatness, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Now, if peradventure you find yourself in a difficult challenge; when you feel terribly bad, discouraged, cheated, disgraced or disappointed.

Well, the Bible says: Weeping may endure for a night, but Joy cometh in the morning - Psalms 30:5B

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... Can I hear you say Joy - JOY!

That means: You may go to bed very broke, when you wake up the next morning, you are stepping into manifestations of the sons of God - Amen.

I decree upon you now; you are coming out SHINING, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Praise the Name of the Lord - Hallelujah!

Everything you are going through is not just a coincidence. Nothing just happen by chance - You are been SETUP for God to LIFT YOU UP.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Are you still here?

Listen to me: You are been set up be God (deliberately) because you are His Purpose.

Because the Bible says: "He that believeth on me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water" - John 7:38

... Not just water; it says RIVERS of Living Water.

Now look at this: A river is not meant for itself - A river meets the Needs of others!

That means when you start to Shine; Kings, men, women, Nations will start to depend on you - Amen.

I Pray for you today: As you step out in this Grace, the Light of God will Shine upon you, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

Somebody is about to feed Nations here. Maybe you are the one - Amen.

As you say it to yourself, that will happen, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

... If you are the one shout a loud Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

Very quickly I will give you the reasons why He is called The Bright and Morning Star?

1. He is our GUARDIAN.

When you see a Star before the day breaks, that Star shines brighter than others.

It gives you a very Special attention for Direction.

For instance, in the Book of Matthew 2:1-12, the Bible says the Wise men were following a Particular Star until they located our Lord Jesus Christ.

That is not the Star I am talking about - I am talking about the Bright and Morning STAR (Hallelujah)!

It means that when Jesus shines in darkness; Light comes upon you - The remaining days in Year 2020 will not just go without releasing the BEST to you in Jesus Name - Amen.

You will not end the Year with Old stories; you are ending the Year with a GIGANTIC Blessing - Amen.

Praise the Name of the Lord - Hallelujah!

It is a fact that we have spent several Months at home due to the Pandemic called Coronavirus. But I tell you that, that was in the Plan of God! Nothing just happened.

God has put Coronavitus in this Year for someone to OVERCOME; for someone to SHINE; for someone to STEP OUT.

... I know you are STEPPING OUT, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

The Bible says in Revelation 1:8: "I am Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the Ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty".

All you need to do is just to trust Him to guide you.

And I trust God that the remaining days of Year 2020, you will come out SHINING, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

The Bible says in Isaiah 43:18 -19: "Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a New Thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a Way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert".

"Do not get used to God in the Perspectives of the PAST; rather, LOOK UP to Jesus, the Author and the Finisher of our Faith."

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... Why do we call Him the Bright and Morning Star?

2. Because He is our HOPE.

The Bible says that God gives us assurance that there is Light at the end of the tunnel.

Whatever you are going through, whatever you are labouring about, whatever that is affecting you; affecting your right standing with God over the years. Or you are experiencing a down turn, or problems; I assure you today: The Bible says in Psalms 46:1 "God is our refuge and Strength, a very Present help in trouble."

Hallelujah!

He is never too late to Bless us! He is coming forth to Bless you, in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

3. He assures us of VICTORY AT LAST.

Our God is the Almighty - That means He does Mighty things in Mighty ways.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

One thing you must not do this Year, is to cancel the Year because of how you feel because of what you think or because of what you were told.

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What People say about you does not matter - What matters is what God says about you!

He said: "In Blessing I will Bless you."

So, I decree today: As you are reading this Message now even on the Label of DMC; God is going to Bless you in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

When we talk about Jesus, the Bible says: Do not close the door because HE IS THE DOOR - :John 10:7-10.

You can't be hungry when you know that He is the Bread of Life.

You can't be waiting when He is coming with your Reward.

4. You cannot be wandering about when His Name is called WONDERFUL.

You might have almost exhausted the Year; but I tell you that His Plans for you are very solid. And you will end Year 2020 in Joy, in Jesus' Name - Amen.

4. He is the LIFE.

John 14:6: "Jesus saith unto him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

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If you are not Born Again, then you are missing.

"When your YOUTH is misplaced, then your ROOT becomes rotten."

I Pray for you today: If you must go far, then you must tarry before God. You must let Him breathe upon you.

Because out of the breath of God is the Life that you need!

... Let us Pray!

CLOSING PRAYER

Father we Thank You for today. Lord we give You Praise and Glory.

Thank You Lord for Your Children who have heard (read) Your Word today.

Oh Lord, what you have begun in Year 2020, Father end it for us, in Jesus' Name.

We will not end this Year the way we started.

Thank You Father!

For in Jesus' Mighty Name we Pray - Amen!

Let somebody shout a loud Hallelujah - HALLELUJAH!!!!!

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SOUTH SOUTH ZONE PRESENTATION

THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR – MINISTERING: DEACON ADOKIYE EKINE



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Compiled by www.discoverymediacrew.com (080-2360-4721) Facebook: @Dmc MediaCrew Twitter: @discoverymediac Instagram: @Discoverymediacrew Youtube Discovery Media Crew Email:info@discoverymediacrew.com And so our Father Who art in Heaven, halloweth be thy Name, thy Kingdom come, thy Will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven.

We thank You for the Privilege we have once again to share Your Words in this Annual Youth Convention with the theme: The Bright and the Morning Star.

Spirit of the Living God, we ask that You brood over every man, we ask that You brood over every heart, we ask You brood over everyone who is hearing the sound our voice and across the Nations of the Earth and reading now on the DMC Label, that there will be tremendous turnaround for everyone one of us, in the Name of Jesus.

We hide behind the Cross, we are the Pen of ready writer, You bring forth Your Word, bless all lives and let Your Word do us Good and let Your Word Profit us today and forever.

In Jesus Mighty Name we Pray - Amen.

BIBLE TE<mark>XT: ISAIAH 9:2</mark>

2. The People that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

This morning before we start Ministering, we have a bit introduction in every gathering, every event across the Nation to be held; when People gather is what we can do introduction and what we do.

People are introduced by their names - Either by the names of their father, either by the names of their Position, by their title or by their achievements in life.

So, whichever category, whenever a man and a friend is introduced either by his name, name of father or his Position, title or achievements.

Permit me in a couple of minutes to do a bit of introduction of Who the Bright and the Morning Star is:

Who is the Bright and Morning Star?

According to John1:5 - He is the Confuser of Light.

Whenever Light shows up, whenever Bright and Morning Star shows up in any event, in any gathering, in any place that darkness has overtaken the place before, darkness used to become confused, darkness used to run helter skelter, it begins to look for a place of hiding because it does not comprehend how Light used to overshadow, how light overpower, how light Pushes it aside.

So darkness is confused whenever Bright and Morning Star shows up.

Who is the Bright and Morning Star?

He is Who is referred to as Spoiler of

darkness - Colossians 2:15.

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So, whenever Bright and Morning Star shows up; whenever God wants to do something and devil is busy working at many things, the Bright and Morning Star shows up.

When He shows up, He spoils all the activities of the darkness, they have finished working, they may have finished arranging, they may have finished setting the trap that by the time you take to the left or right, there is going to be a stone that you will hit.

And when you hit the stone, you will fall down, you will break your legs and then you will be admitted in the hospital.

But when the Bright and Morning Star shows up, He does not bother them to arrange, He does not bother them.

While they make their Plans, all He does is to introduce the Bright and Morning Star, is to introduce Light.

He introduces Light in that event, He spoils every activities of darkness.

Why? - Because the Bright and Morning Star is the One that destroys and spoils all the activities of the wickedness of darkness.

Who is the Bright and Morning Star?

He is the One Who is called Disgracer of darkness - Colossians 3:2,15

He digraces darkness - When darkness is raising it's shoulder like a big man, when darkness is Parading himself as is written in Isaiah 60:1.

Darkness is Proud of himself for achieving so much, God introduces the Bright and Morning Star.

When the Bright and Morning Star comes up, what does He do, He just disgrace darkness, because darkness will have no Place of hiding, darkness will just run away.

That is why we are confident that by the Mercies of the Almighty God, that in this Season of the Bright and Morning Star, every gathering, every works of darkness, that is cooking and working against our lives, working against our destinies; the Bright and Morning Star will show forth and as He shows forth, He spoils their activities, He will confuse them and then He will disgrace them on our behalf in Name of Jesus - Amen.

Who is the Bright and Morning Star?

He is the One that can buy back the future of a man - A future that is lost, a future that is gone, a man that is without a future, a man that is without a Hope, a man that is without nothing.

He can buy it back.

Luke 7:12-15, records a widow, who had lost her husband and lost again her only child.

So, she lost her future and everything she had.

She had lost her Present and now she had lost her future.

No future for her, no Hope for her - So, she was on her way to go bury the son, on her way, she was going to bury her only son, everything she had hoped for, everything she had looked up to.

But lo and behold, the Bright and Morning Star showed up, and as He showed up the Bible says in Luke 7:15, He touched him and handed back to this woman - Her future, was restored back to her.

When the Bright and Morning Star shows up; everything said and declared condemn, everything that is concluded upon, He can reverse,

He reverses the irreversible.

No matter the conclusion of the enemy against our lives, against your life, against my life, wherever you are hearing the sound of my voice or reading on DMC Labels, the Bright and Morning Star will come through for you and He will buy back your life, He will buy back your destiny, He will buy back your Glory in the Name of Jesus - Amen.

So, what happens when He shows up in the life of a man.

We will go back to our Bible Text quickly - Isaiah 9:2: The People that sat in darkness, they have seen a Great Light.

The first thing that comes to mind when we read that Scripture is People that sat in darkness, they have seen a Great light.

Meaning that when the Bright and Morning Star shows up for a Believer, shows up for a child of God, He concludes the matter that the Vision, the sight of that Believer is restored, it is renewed.

Listen to me, you can be walking with your two (2) eyes open but your Mental Mind is blind, your emotional Mind is blind, your Psychological Mind is blind.

People think you can see but you cannot actually see anything, People think you are going somewhere but you are going no where.

Listen to me, a man who is blind Mentally, who is blind Spiritually, who is blind Psychologically, is a man that is heading no where.

When the Bright and Morning Star shows up, what does He do?

He opens your sight, He opens your eyes, He gives you a vision - Habakkuk 2:2: He that seeth will read and run.

You cannot see and read in darkness but when the Bright and Morning Star shows up, He gives you light, He gives you insight.

Hear this: Any man that you see, who says to you, you ask him - How are you? Where are you going to?

And he says: I'm just hanging around, I'm just going around.

You see a man: You say what do you want from God? What do you want to achieve? What do you want to do? - He says anything.

He comes to me, he says I want a job. I say ok you want a job, what kind of job?

He says any kind of job.

That Person needs an introduction of Bright and Morning Star, because:

A man who want anything from life does not have a Place he is going to.

A man who has a Place he is going to does not accept anything from life.

Why? Because you are somebody going somewhere about to happen - You cannot be anything going anywhere.

No, you are suppose to go somewhere to do what is going to happen.

So, a man with insight, a man with a Vision, a man that has a destination is a man that knows where he ia going to.

So when the Bright and Morning Star shows up, He gives you insight, He gives you Vision, He gives you ability to see in your Mental Mind, to see in your Spiritual Mind, to see in your Psychological Mind.

... He gives you direction.

So, when He shows up, He terminates wandering.

A man without a Vision, that can't find direction, he is bound to be frustrated for life.

This is why the Bible says: The People sat in darkness, they have seen a Great light.

You cannot be in darkness and expect to see. You cannot be in darkness and expect to go far. You cannot be in darkness and have direction.

It is only when you are in the Light, when there is an introduction of Bright and Morning Star, then you can now have a Pathway, you can now see the Way.

Isaiah 30:21, the Bible says: You will hear a voice - Whose voice? - The Bright and Morning Star's voice,

This is the way, to the left or to the right.

You will hear the voice of the Bright and Morning Star.

He terminates every Spirit of wandering, delivers who does not know where he is going to.

A Believer who does not have direction, he is about to take the Position of a devil.

The Bible says in Job 1:7 - God asked the devil where are you coming from and where are you going to?

The devil says: As usual; walking to and fro, walking up and down.

The devil was so jobless as a wanderer, that the Bible says God had to give him a job.

He says my servant Job, is a Good man - Go and check out.

Listen to me, any man who do not have Divine Direction in life, will be escorting men to their Place of Destiny.

He will never arrive at his own, he will only be escorting.

We are not called to escort, we are called to fulfill Destiny.

Whether you are Moses or you are Aaron, whichever Position; you are born, you are called to fulfill Ourpose.

So if you don't have Divine Direction, then the devil will be angry with you.

Why? - Because you want to take his Position as a wanderer, because he's a wanderer and devil doesn't like People competing with him.

And many of us as Believers, we have now become deputy wanderers, deputy devils because we don't know where we are going to or coming from.

But hear me child of God; when the Bright and Morning Star is introduced into your life, you will work with a sense of direction, you will work with a sense of Purpose.

Why? - Because when Light shines, you will see Vision, you will hear a voice telling you - This is the way to achieve the Vision.

What happens when the Bright and Morning Star shows up in man's life?

He terminates stagnation.

Isaiah 9:2: People that sat in darkness have seen a Great light, they sat in darkness.

You cannot be sitting and be advancing - No.

Advancements are for People who are moving.

So, if you are not a moving train, you are sitting looking like a dog who sits in Place and doesn't go anywhere.

And child of God is not called.

The Bible says that: The Path of a Righteous is like a Shining Light, that shines brighter and brighter, unto a Perfect day.

Meaning, you are a moving train.

So, if a child of God is stagnant then he needs the Bright and Morning Star.

If you look at your life, your business, your Spiritual life, your Relationship, your Marriage, your whatever is stagnant around you, excuse sir/ma, in this conference, in this Annual Youth Convention your Prayer is Bright and Morning Star introduce Yourself in my life.

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Why? - Because when He shows up He terminates every form of stagnation - He terminates.

When the Bright and Morning Star shows up what does He do:

He Is the one that announces your Star - He announces the Star and the Glory of a Man.

Because Isaiah 9:2 says: Light has come giving you insight and He has said He has given you Divine Direction.

Now because He has given you Divine Direction, He has said you are moving forward.

As you are moving forward, He announces you to the world.

How do I know in Matthew 2:2, Bible days: The Shepherds from the East saw the Star of Jesus in a Manger and they came to worship Him.

How do you explain that they saw the Star of a baby born in a Manger? - How do you explain, how it happens, the kind of technology, the kind of Media Advert, the kind of Publicity would have.

Hear me child of God: No amount of Media influence you will have that can give Publicity of the Bright and Morning Star.

Because when He shows up for you - He introduces you to your world, He announces you to your world, He announces your name and your name become a voice, He gives a voice and makes your name a voice not an echo when He shows up.

So, you must understand that if there is anything you should desire in this Convention; is God open my eyes, I will see where I'm going to. As i see it Lord, give me direction so that I don't go through the wrong route. Lord as You have given me Divine Direction, help me not to be lazy, help me not to be idle, help me not to just sit down there, help me to begin to work.

As you are Praying that you are saying: Lord begin to announce me, Lord begin to announce me - You are the Announcer of men, You are the Advertiser of men, begin to announce me, according to your Will, according to Your Glory, according to Your Purpose for my life.

What is my responsibilities, what is my response to the Bright and Morning Star?

As He is confusing darkness on my behalf, spoiling the works of the wicked on my behalf; as the Bright and Morning Star and He is buying back my future that has been so contaminated and He is buying them back, and as He is disgracing and disarming works of darkness on my behalf, as He goes as far as giving me a New Vision, He goes as far as giving me a Divine Direction, making me not to be stagnant and now moving me and advertising me, what is my response?
To embrace Him - John 1:4: His Life is light of men.

So, when you embrace him, you are embracing life, you are embracing Light.

John 3:3 says: Until when a man be BORN AGAIN, that is when you can embrace Him - When become a BORN AGAIN.

When Life and Light enters into your body and you have Light, you don't longer walk in darkness.

My response: I have a responsibility to Arise - Isaiah 60:1.

You have a responsibility to arise - Don't just want to arise but also to Shine.

Listen when He says arise, it means there must be some level of effort, some level of battle, some level of space that be put in Place.

When someone is sitting on the floor, for him to rise, he has to put his two (2) hands together and exert an energy that will Pull from wherever he is.

So, when God says: Arise; it means that you should rise from your laziness, from your slumber, from Giving Up on those dreams, from Giving Up on those battles, from Giving Up on your relationship, from Giving Up on your marriage, from Giving Up on your career.

... He says Arise for your Light is come then shine!

Listen to me child of God: Failure is not the one who started and fail, the real failure is a man who has ideas and never started.

So, God has given you ideas and you never start those ideas, you are already a Failure.

Rise on your feet wherever you are in your room, in the Church, all over the world, wherever you are or reading on DMC Labels - Rise and lift your voice:

Bright and Morning Star show and come through for me, in this Season as the Prophetic Word will be coming through our father in the Lord.

Rise on my behalf, transform me, give me Vision and give insight, move me forward in Jesus Mighty Name we Pray - Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER

Thank You Father, we bless You for Your Words this evening.

We ask my Father and my God that everyone who works in darkness, who sit in darkness, the Light of God will shine.

Bright and Morning Star shine upon everyone, shine upon everyone all over the Nations of the Earth, let them come to the Light of God and oh God my Father let everyone who is wandering, clueless in what he/she does, receive Light in Jesus Mighty Name we Pray - Amen.

Thank you so much for staying all through to read.

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You are the Mighty God The Great I Am Hallelujah, Hallelujah You are the Mighty God The Great I Am Hallelujah, Hallelujah

... Repeat!

OPENING PRAYER AND PRAYER FOR THE OCTOBER BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

King of Kings and the Lord of Lords; the Desire of all Nations - We Worship You.

We Thank You for this "Extraordinary Youth Convention" - The first (1st) of its type in being Virtual.

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We Bless Your Holy Name that it is also taking Place when our Nation Nigeria is marking her Sixtieth (60th) Birthday.

We Worship You Lord - Please accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Father, we Pray that during this Special Holy Ghost Service; You will do something Unique in all our lives; that You will bless us beyond our wildest imaginations.

And we commit all October Children into Your Hands - October, the tenth (10th) Month of the Year.

And ten (10) being five (5) times two (2); being the Month of "Double Grace" - We Pray Lord God Almighty that in every areas of their Lives, You give them: "Double Grace", "Double Promotion", "Double Anointing" so that they too will serve You Double.

And Lord God Almighty; we are asking that in the Life of everyone of us - Irrespective of the Month we are born; You will let this Particular Night be a Night that we will never forget.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

1. We want to bless the Name of the Lord for another Youth Convention (RCCG, ANNUAL YOUTH CONVENTION, 2020).

And this one in Particular, we are believing God that He will do something - The Kind that He has never done before in all our lives (Amen).

2. The November 2020 Holy Ghost Service will be on Friday, 6th of November, 2020.

The Theme which will be: LET THERE BE LIGHT - PART 8; It is also Subtitled: DREAM AGAIN!

LET THERE BE LIGHT - PART 8 (DREAM AGAIN)

3. Let me tell you before I Proceed any further that this is not just one of those Holy Ghost Services.

This Particular Holy Ghost Service is meant for someone in Particular - For a Specific Individual.

Because I'm sure that you have learnt that when God is speaking to a Congregation - No matter how large, He will address Himself to Individuals.

Revelation 3:20, He said: Behold I Stand by the door and knock. If any man - Not if: "Some Men"; "Any Man" hears my Voice.

... He is always talking to Individuals!

So, there is someone who will come to this Youth Convention completely Transformed - Amen.

And believe me honestly, I am trusting my Father that this is one Night that you will never, never forget - Amen.

Our Bible Text is going to be Revelation 22:16:

I Jesus have sent mine Angel to testify unto you these things in the Churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and The Bright and Morning Star".

As you know very well; for our Youth Convention this Year (Year 2020); the Theme has been: "The Bright and Morning Star".

Whenever you meet somebody Probably that you have never met before; even before you begin to talk at all, you will ask the fellow to introduce Himself - "Who are You?"

And here, Jesus Christ has given us the Good Example of what happens.

He said: I am the Root and The Offspring of David.

He is telling you that: In case you don't know me Oh; you need to know who my Father is because that is very important - "I am The Bright and Morning Star.

It is important to know who you are. It is even more important to know whose you are - Whom you belong!

But far, far more important than all of these is to do something about what you know.

You know WHO you are, you know WHOSE you are; but then, DO SOMETHING about it.

... Use that information for your BENEFIT.

You see, in James 2:20, Apostle James says: "Faith WITHOUT work is DEAD."

Don't just believe, DO SOMETHING about WHAT YOU BELIEVE.

A very Good illustrations would be the story of the Prodigal son (that I am sure you know very well).

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THE PRODIGAL SON!

... You can read the story in Luke 15:11-24.

You know the man who had two (2) sons; the younger one said 'Papa, you have refused to die! I can't wait any longer - Give me my inheritance, and let me enjoy".

And so the father gave him what belonged to him. And he left!

And spent the money, because he didn't work for it. And so he spent the money just like he wanted!

And very soon, there was nothing left! And then there was trouble in the land. There was a Famine; so that, finally, he found himself looking after swine.

And he was in such a terrible hunger that 'he would have gladly eaten the food of the Swine' but nobody gave him!

... That is how the Bible puts it!

And one day, he came to himself: Now wait a minute! I know WHOSE I am - I shouldn't die of hunger.

In my father's house, servants eat as much as they wanted. What am I sitting here dying for?

And so he said: I will ARISE and go to my father, and I will tell him: 'I am not coming back as a son, take me as a servant!'

... But at least I won't die of hunger.

"I will ARISE!" And the Bible says: He AROSE!

I am Praying that somebody would ARISE today or while reading this on the Label of DMC; and you would do something about all you have already learnt - Everything you know about your Heavenly Father and begin to do something about it!

You will leave this Convention different from how you came in - Amen.

Now, when I said that this is for just one (1) individual; I will give you just one illustration:

There are many of them that I could give you but let me give you just one (1) illustration:

A young man was sharing his Testimony years ago - How he was reading his Bible and he discovered certain things: "These SIGNS shall follow them that BELIEVE; in my Name you shall cast out demons, you shall heal the sick, you can even RAISE the DEAD!

So, he went to his Pastor: Sir, these things written in the Bible, are they written for me? - The Pastor said Yes!

Oh, are you saying: Sir, I can raise the dead?

The Pastor said: YES!

Have you raised the dead before Sir? - The Pastor said: No!

You haven't done so before Sir?

The Pastor said: No!

But you say I can do it? **OVERY MEDIA CREW**

The Pastor said: Yes; the word of God is forever SETTLED.

He didn't say, when you become a Pastor - If you BELIEVE, you can RAISE the DEAD' in the Name of Jesus - Amen!

He said, Thank You Sir! He left the Office of the Pastor.

Young Man! He had not got too much sense like some of you, who are already too sophisticated;

But he just had the Faith of a CHILD - if God said it, that is true!

He began to go from house to house (Stupid boy hey?) 'Is any dead fellow here?' - No!

He got to the next house - 'Have you any dead Person here?' - No!

He went until he was tired in the afternoon. He went, took some meal and then continued.

Finally (according to his Testimony), around 4:30pm, he got to a house: ' Is there any dead Person here?

They said Yes, 'what do you want to do with the dead Person?

He said: 'I WANT TO RAISE HIM!'

It was a child! He went in to the house; saw the child, he took the child, he cried, he wept!

And then all of a sudden, he realised the Bible didn't say you would weep - So, he stopped weeping and commanded the child to come back to life.

... By now, the child had been dead for hours!

And the child came back to Life.

I want you to go away from this Convention; I am talking to only one (1) Person! - One (1) Person who is not going to base his activities in: 'What my Pastor says; what my General Overseer says' - but what the Bible says!

Alright! I believe that that should be a Good beginning for you!

Now, Jesus is "THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR" - He said so!

And then in Revelation 2:26-28; He says: If I satisfy certain conditions (and you can go ahead and read for yourself), He said He would make me the Bright and Morning Star.

... He is the Bright and Morning Star; He said I also can be The Bright and Morning Star.

In other words, He is saying: Me, I Am the Son of God; You, you are a son of God.

John 1:11-12;

"He came unto His Own, and His Own received Him not. But as many as received Him, to them gave He Power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name".

So, Jesus Christ is my Eldest Brother.

Romans 8:29. It says:

"For whom he did foreknow, he also did Predestinate to be conformed to the Image of his Son, that He might be the FIRSTBORN among many Brethren."

Congratulations Lord Jesus - You are the FIRSTBORN of my Father.

Romans 8:15 says: "For ye have not received the Spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of ADOPTION, whereby we cry, Abba, Father."

... By ADOPTION!

And the little I know about Law, an Adopted Child has the same right as a Begotten child.

So, my Eldest Brother is the Bright and Morning Star. He tells me, I will Overcome; in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ - Amen.

I am an Overcomer.

I said, I too I am entitled to be called a Morning Star!

He is the Light (That is, my Eldest Brother) - John 8:12.

And according to Matthew 5;14-16; He calls me Light.

... So, I too, I AM LIGHT!

And then, He is the FIRST CHILD of my Dad. I am a child of God by Adoption.

And James 1:17 says God - The Father of my Eldest Brother (and my Father too) is FATHER of Lights!

That means, all of us are Lights - My Eldest Brother and myself!

So if He is Light, and I am Light; if He is the Bright and Morning Star and I am a Bright and Morning Star; I am not considering where I stand now; I am not considering what I have achieved now.

... I am talking about what is going to happen to me from now on!

You see, because Romans 4:17 made it clear: God calls those things which be not as though they were.

So, if I came in to this Convention and I am anything but Light (in the sight of People); things are changing now.

Because, Isaiah 55:10-11 made it clear: "So shall my Word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I Please, and it shall Prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Hr had called me Light, Light will I be!

The Bible says in Psalms 33:8, that once my Father speaks, it is done.

... That is the Word of God!

And I am just quoting so many Scriptures for you, because everything we are going to do will be based on the Word of God.

Not what I think, not what my Pastor had been able to do or not do; not what my General Overseer had been able to do or not do.

But what the WORD OF GOD says concerning me!

In 1 John 4:17, the Bible says clearly: "As JESUS is, so am I in this world. Not when I get to Heaven.

... As He is now, so am I.

And then there is one (1) further thing that is going to form another Foundation for what is going to me now:

And that is Matthew 18:18 - That is where the Lord Jesus Christ Himself said categorically to me and to that fellow whose Xestiny, the Almighty God is about to alter.

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He said: "Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on Earth shall be bound in Heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on Earth shall be loosed in Heaven."

Which in simple language means: Whatever I forbid is forbidden; whatever I allow is allowed.

GLORY be to God - Hallelujah!

CONSEQUENTLY:

1. Since my Father in Heaven has never been sick. And my Eldest Brother - the Lord Jesus Christ was NEVER sick never when He was here on Earth!

Even though He was wearing the body of flesh because if He had been sick, they would have told us!

Even when the Mother In-law of Peter was sick, they recorded it for us!

... My Eldest Brother was NEVER sick!

The Apostles who were following Him; the moment they became connected to Him, none of them was sick.

Therefore, from today, I am DISALLOWING Sickness and Diseases in my body - Amen.

I am going to tell my body: Before this night is out or you finished reading on the Label of DMC, according to Matthew 15:13:

Sickness, Disease, Ache, Pain, hear the Word of God, it is written: Every Plant, which my Heavenly Father hath not Planted, shall be ROOTED UP - Amen.

I am making up my mind based on what the Bible says; not on what the Evangelist or Apostle, or anybody says.

That according to Exodus 15:26: Any sickness or disease in my body, is NOT from God - Amen.

If it is not from God, and it is from the devil then according to 1 John 3:8: My Eldest Brother came to DESTROY the works of the devil.

And He left His STRIPES for my Healing - 1 Peter 2:24.

And it should interest you that they even People has to BEAT Him before they KILLED Him.

If you are going to crucify somebody, there is no need to beat him!

But they needed to beat Him, so that He would experience what Pain brought about by sickness feels like.

He came into the world in the body of flesh, to find out - 'How do we human beings feel.

He had NEVER been hungry when He was in heaven with our Father - So, He came, saw what hunger can be!

Which is why He CURSED a Fig Tree that is even supposed to bear fruits at that time.

He was hungry, so that when I cry to Him and I say 'I am hungry!' He would tell our Father "I have been there, I know what hunger is!

He came, He tasted THIRST - That is Probably the most Painful Thing.

That is why even when He was on the Cross; the only thing He cried for was WATER.

He came, found out what it means to be TIRED.

And He discovered that Oh, when you are tired, you can even sleep through a Storm.

But He never fell sick!

So, they had to beat Him, so He would know what pain is like!

And so, because He had GONE THROUGH THAT; I can tell the devil:

I. My Eldest Brother has CRUSHED your head.

II. By His STRIPES I am Healed.

But I won't stop at being WELL; I won't stop at being WHOLE.

You see, because my Eldest Brother said in Matthew 5:14-16 - He made it clear to me:

"My LIGHT must SHINE before ALL MEN."

So, beginning from today, and in the Name that is above every other names; I will be laying hands on the SICK.

After all, He says in Mark 16:17-18 that: I will lay hands on the sick and they will recover!

... That is what He said.

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If my Pastor has not laid hands on the sick for them to recover - No Problem!

If my General Overseer has not laid hands on the sick for them to recover - No Problem!

That Young man's Pastor told him: The Promise is not for Titles; the Promise is for Faith - 'if you BELIEVE.'

And Young man and Young woman; I hope you are listening to me wherever you are or reading now on the Label of DMC for whom this Message is directed - Don't listen to the devil if he tells you that: 'What happens when you lay hands on the sick and they don't recover?'

... That is none of his Business!

If you lay hands on the first (1st) and the fellow does not recover; lay hands on the second (2nd).

... Just keep going, and you will be amazed!

You see, it is not everybody that Jesus Christ healed that was Healed Instantly - There were those He Healed as they were on their way home!

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Keep on laying hands!

Don't leave the job to any big Titled fellow - Do it!

It's YOU that God says will HEAL THE SICK.

Now, when you talk about the Bright and Morning Star, we are talking about a STAR that will SHINE so BRIGHT that it OUTSHINE the Sun.

And since I have Peter - here, they call him Apostle; but I call him my brother because, we are children of the same Father!

Since I have Brother Peter as my example, who in Acts 3:1-8 was able to touch the Lame and the Lame began to walk! - I will Pray for anyone who is Lame, and I with expect them to rise up and walk.

... I won't even stop there, because Peter didn't stopped there!

Peter continued until his Shadow began to heal the sick - Acts 5:14-16.

What my Elder Brother, Peter did - And so help me God; I too will begin to do - Amen!

2. My Dad was never bound by Satan and my Eldest Brother; the Lord Jesus Christ was never in bondage to Satan.

In John 14:30, He said: "Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the Prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me."

And He told me clearly what I need to do so that I too will never be in bondage.

In John 8:32 and 36, He says:

"And ye shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

That whosoever He (my Eldest Brother) has made free, is Free indeed!

Okay! That being the case, from this very moment: I am serving a Quit Notice to all demons showing any form of interest in my life;

I am going to let them know that it is written in Ephesians 4:27 that 'I am not to GIVE PLACE to the devil".

... I am not to allow them near me!

I am not going to stop there; I am going to Proceed further.

Because according to Matthew 6:17, He said: I will CAST OUT DEMONS.

And there was no case of Age Limit; No reference as to how Old I must be before I begin to cast out demons.

All He asked me to do is BELIEVE in Him.

If I haven't done it before; I repent, I will begin to do it now!

And since I have Brother Peter as my example; I am not going to stop, until my handkerchiefs will begin to cast out demons - Acts 19:11-12.

I am sure you have heard me share the Testimony of a time I went to Minister in Port Harcourt at Full Gospel Business Men Fellowship International Conference and the Power of God came down!

We spoke about the New Anointing. I think it must have been 1989 or so.

And so, several People were trying to touch us and we escaped, got into our car.

And there was this Young man who was Pursuing us - Okay, if I can't touch the Man of God, I will touch his car with my handkerchief.

He left the Conference, went home!

By the time he got home, his Younger sister was raving mad - Tiny little girl, but it took six (6) men to hold her down.

And this young man (not a Bishop, not an Archbishop, not a General Overseer) told the men there: 'MOVE ASIDE'; I have something in my hand that will take care of the situation.

... They looked at him and thought he was crazy.

He said: Just give me room! And he laid the handkerchief on the girl.

And all of a sudden, as if a balloon got loosed; and the demons went out of her and the girl became normal.

I am living this Convention, determined to CHASE OUT demons from every members of my family - Amen.

Everyone I come across: Who is being tormented by the devil, in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ, DELIVERANCE is on the WAY - Amen.

3. My Dad in Heaven was never BROKE - He can't Possibly be BROKE.

Because according to Genesis 17:1, He is ALL Sufficient God.

According to Psalms 24:1 - The Earth belongs to Him, and the Fullness therefore!

My Father is the Controller of all Crude Oil, all the Gold, all the Diamonds, all the Silver in the Ground. Every bit of it belongs to Him.

In fact, He says it in Haggai 2:8; "The Silver is mine, and the Gold is mine, saith the LORD of Hosts."

... That is what my Father in Heaven said!

And then, my Eldest Brother said in John 10:10B, He said: He has come that I might have Life, and that I might have it more abundantly.

I am letting the Heavens and the Earth know, that by the time I return for another Youth Convention: I would no longer be Struggling - Amen!

I am going to say loud and clear to all those who want to hear; because of WHO I am, because of WHOSE I am, I am going to PROSPER - Amen.

Why? - Because according to Psalms 35:27, my Prosperity is going to give PLEASURE to my Father!

I am not going to DISPLEASE my Father.

It doesn't matter what anybody may want to say about Virtues of Poverty; they can keep it!

I want to give Pleasure to my Father; the Bible says He has PLEASURE in my Prosperity.

I am not going to Steal, I am not going to be Corrupt.

But the Bible tells me that He is a REWARDER of those who DILIGENTLY seek Him.

I will be DILIGENT; I will Work Hard, I will do everything that is necessary to be done, in order to PROSPER.

... But I will be more than that!

Because I have Brother ELISHA for an EXAMPLE.

By the time I read 2 Kings 4:1-7; I see that it is Possible for me to be the VESSEL that God will use to TERMINATE Poverty in the lives of those who are Destitute.

I am not just going to be Blessed, I am going to be a BLESSING.

I am not just going to Prosper, I am to Press on until even my saying so will bring Breakthroughs to those who are suffering.

... But I won't stop there!

You see, if I am going to be the Bright and Morning Star; if I am going to Shine so much so that during the day time, People will know that this fellow is a Star; I am not going to stop until I begin to LEND TO NATIONS.

Because it is written in Deuteronomy 28:11-12 that: God will PROSPER me so much, I will be LENDING to Nations.

... That is what is written!

I remembered in those early days, when I go to America for one Convention or the other; and some of the Brethren there will come and say: "How can we help you?"

I said: The God in America is the God in Nigeria.

I said, a day will come, it is not: "How can we help you?"; you will be saying "How can YOU HELP US?"

There are some People who would say: Oh, we know what is going on in the Redeemed Christian Church of God: "They must have some People abroad sending them some money".

I am saying it again (I have said it before). But this time, it is going throughout the whole world: If ANYBODY anywhere in the world has ever given money to the Redeemed Christian Church of God to say: 'Use this to build your Camp'; let the fellow come on the Air and tell the whole world!

Hey, you must be getting help from abroad - You are Correct!

I am getting Help from Heaven.

And by the Grace of God, from Nigerians that People look down on!

We are sending Missionaries to more than a hundred and ninety (190) Nations of the world and they are being Paid, their rents are Paid as at when due, their children are in Schools.

Because God said: 'I will LEND to Nations; NOT BORROW from them!

And there is somebody listening to me now (or reading now on the Label of DMC) - Young ones and those of you who might be Old, who consider yourself Young.

There is someone for whom this Convention has been arranged; who will one day come to me and say: Daddy, how much is your Budget for this Year?

I won't stop until I begin to LEND to Nations; I begin to singlehandedly build Churches all over the Nations - Amen.

I have Brother David as an example in: 1 Chronicles 22:24 - When he said he wanted to build a Church and God said: No, you can't build one, your son will build it.

He said fine! - Son, God has given you the opportunity to be the Builder.

But, I will give you everything needed to do the building - The Resources will come from me.

I am not going to stop until I begin to BUILD THE KINGDOM OF GOD on Earth - Amen.

Because in Matthew 6:31-33; the Word of God makes it clear: If I just seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness, EVERYTHING would be added to me.

I. So I refuse today to die Poor.

II. I refuse to barely Survive.

III. I refuse just to be rich.

I want to FLOURISH so that I can LEND to Nations and do the work of God EASILY.

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4. Since my Dad is the Most High according to Psalms 91:1.

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He is HIGHER THAN the highest according to Ecclesiastes 5:8.

And He is the PROMOTER -Psalms 75:6-7.

And He can PROMOTE everyone from any level to any level -1 Samuel 2:8.

... I intend to reach the Top!

So, let all my enemies hear: In the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ; even those I am LOOKING UP TO, one day they will LOOK UP TO ME - AMEN!!!!

Because it is written in Deuteronomy 28:13 that I will be the HEAD not tail, ABOVE ONLY not beneath.

Young fellow that I am speaking to: The PLAN of the Almighty God for you is not just to reach the TOP, but to STAY THERE!

It is not the PLAN of God for you to be an Ex Champion, but to be an EVERLASTING Champion.

And since I have Brother Daniel as an example; I intend to EXCEL among my Peers.

Daniel 6:1-6, the Bible records it for us that even among the BEST, Daniel was still the BEST.

And that is what I want to be: When the BEST gather together, I want to be OUTSTANDING.

I want you to leave this Convention with this Solemn, Solid, Quiet, Hold on Tenacity that this is what is going to happen - Amen.

Because that is what is supposed to happen to the child of the Bright and Morning Star.

And much more than that - still using Brother Daniel as my example.

I intend to Press so close to God, that all those who are associated with me would also reach the Top.

Because, if you read Daniel Chapters 1 and 2; the Bible will tell you that Daniel had some very close friends - Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego.

... They refused to compromise; they refused to corrupt themselves.

And when Promotion came for Daniel, he said: Oh King, I have some people too, who must be PROMOTED.

5. Since my Dad is the ALMIGHTY -Psalms 91:1.

Since my Dad can DO ANYTHING -Jeremiah 32:27; Luke 1:37.

I intend to join the Club of the ALMIGHTY.

Hey! What are you saying? Aren't you over reaching yourself?

Young man (woman), don't listen to the devil - The son of a dog is a DOG; the son of a lion is a LION.

The very day an Elephant gives birth to its child, that child is already bigger than a GOAT.

And the son of an Elephant would be an ELEPHANT, anytime, anyday!

Because my Eldest Brother (Jesus Christ told me how I can join that Club of the ALMIGHTY; the Club of those who can DO ANYTHING.

In Mark 9:23, He said: If only you can BELIEVE, ALL THINGS are Possible!

What is the meaning of all things are Possible?

It means one who is in the Club of the ALMIGHTY.

So, from now on, in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ; I will begin to move MOUNTAINS - Amen

He said so!

My Eldest Brother told me in Mark 11:23-24 - He said: All I need to do is have FAITH in GOD;

... Then when I find Mountains, I tell them to MOVE!

Oh, supposed I ask the Mountain in the first (1st) time to move and it does not move?

... Tell it to move again!

If it doesn't move the second (2nd) time, I tell it to Move again - IT HAS TO MOVE!

Now, one Man of God was telling us the statement of the man who was the first (1ST) to climb Mount Everest.

First (1st) he failed; up to the third (3rd) time! And everybody thought: 'Now he should be tired.

Ni! The Man of God said (as he was quoting him) he spoke to Mount Everest and said:

"I am speaking to you, in the Name of EVERY Mountain MOVER; you have defeated us three (3) times but I assure you that we will defeat you!

He said "Because you can grow bigger (laugher!) But we; we are going to grow STRONGER.

The next time they went to clime, he REACHED THE TOP!

Is any Mountain in your life my son, my daughter?

Have Faith in God - Tell that Mountain: Things are different now. You might be looking at me as if the same fellow who came to the Convention is the same fellow you are facing now - No! Things are different now!

Not only will I begin to move Mountains; beginning from now, I will begin to Move Mountains for others.

I still have Brother DAVID again, for EXAMPLE.

That this young man, not only did he deal with Lions that came his way, and Bear that came his way; he took away the Mountain that was terrorising the Nation - 1 Samuel 17:1-51.

And it would interest you to note also that he was a Young Fellow - He was not even twenty (20) years old when that happened!

While the elders were hiding, he said: Let the Giant come!

I am going to rise up from this Convention and decree that by the Grace of the Almighty God: Every Person causing trouble in my Nation; if they don't repent, they will not see the New Year -Amen!

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After all, in Ezekiel 23:30; God said: I Am looking for a MAN (Not many Men) who will stand in the gap for the Nation.

I know some of my friends have said: If only all the Christians in Nigeria would gather together and Fast and Pray.

... When is that going to happen?

When are you going to get everybody to agree to Fast and Pray (laughing)?

God didn't say: I am looking for a crowd. He said, I am looking for a man - A MAN!

Where else can He find a man than among the Young ones?

You are still Young, you are still Strong - You can be the one He is looking for!

6. Because my Dad is very Bright; that is why He calls Himself "The Bright and Morning Star!"

So BRIGHT that according to 1 Timothy 6:16; He dwells in Light UNAPPROACHABLE.

... Light that cannot be approached!

And He told me how I can Shine like that! - Daniel 12:2.

He said it is only if I can begin to WIN SOULS, if only I can begin to turn men to Righteousness.

He said I will SHINE as the firmament.

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And so, what am I going to do from now?

I am going to learn a lesson from Brother Isaiah.

In Isaiah 6:1-5; I am going to say: Lord, I have come to Your Presence - Your very, very Presence.

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I am laying myself on the Altar now! Lord, overhaul me, take me to Pieces.

Daddy, you have my full Permission; take me to Pieces.

Clean me up! Put me together, and send Fire from Heaven to Purify me.

Everything in me that should not be there: All these immoral thoughts, all these ambitions that are not in compliance to Your Programme for my life - Take me to Pieces, and flush them out - Amen!

When You finish Cleaning me up; bring me together again and send Fire from Your Altar; so that like the Day of Pentecost, I may leave this Convention on Fire for You - Amen!

And even as Brother Peter Preached a Sermon and won three thousand (3,000) souls; set me on Fire, so that even before the end of this Month, all the Churches around me would know: Hey, there is a Revival Now!

Set me on Fire Lord! - So that by the time I return for the next Convention, even I alone, will bring several "Bus load of People" to come and worship You on this Mountain - Amen.

Let me conclude:

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Do you know that unless you are a Child of God; you cannot claim to be Child of Light?

If you are not Born Again; if God is not your Father because He is the Father of Light, not Father of darkness.

When you don't belong to His Family; all these things that I'm talking about cannot be your Portion.

It is not who you are alone that mattered; it is whose you are!

The Bible makes it clear: He that says he is of the devil ...

The devil has his own children.

But you can tell the devil now: Leave me alone; I'm crossing from darkness into Light.

That is what the Bible says: If you are Born Again; you have translated out of the Kingdom of darkness into the Kingdom of Light.

I beg you Young Man, I beg you Young Woman, I'm begging you Young Adults, I'm begging even you Adults - Don't waste your Life, you can be a Giant for God. You can be as Bright as the Brighter Morning Star.

All you need to do is to take the first (1st) Step: Give your Life to Jesus Christ.

Let us bow our head in Prayer!

Those of you wherever you are listening to me or reading now on the Label of DMC; and you want to Shine for the rest of your Life and you are crying unto Jesus now; asking Him to save your Soul.

Tell Him to wash you clean with the Blood; tell Him to bring you into the Family of Light. Promise Him that you will Shine for Him.

And I Pray for you now!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION

My Father and my God; I want to Thank You for Your Words and I want to Thank You for all those who has decided to surrender their Lives to You.

Please my Father and my God: Receive them, save their Souls, wash them clean, receive them into the Family of Light.

And from now on; let them begin to Shine for you.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen

Now, those of you who has just given your Life to Jesus Christ; Please contact me as soon as Possible.

And those of us who are already children of God; your Prayer today is just one (1) Major Prayer but I want you to Pray it for as long as you have the Strength in you.

1. After you have Thank God who saved your Soul.

2. Your Prayer is: Father, it is written: LIKE FATHER LIKE SON; You are the Bright and Morning Star, I want to be a Bright and Morning Star for You.

Almighty God, let me be a Brighter and Morning Star for You; let me Shine for You in every areas of my Life: Physically, Materially, Emotionally, Spiritually.

In every facets of my Life, let me shine for You - Let me a be: A Bright and Morning Star for You Oh Lord!

As you Pray that Prayer; the Almighty God will grant your request - Amen.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name - Amen!

LIVE BROADCAST FROM RCCG REDEMPTION CAMP

WORDS OF PROPHESY

Before you settle down to Pray; the Message you just heard (or read as above on the Label of DMC) had been recorded couple of weeks ago.

As at that time; I just recorded the Sermon and I know that when the day comes, the Almighty God will speak to me concerning a Word or two (2) of Prophesy for that Particular Person or Persons for whom this Particular Convention has been organised.

You may want to write down the following Words of Prophesy and then pick those ones that are yours:

1. And the Almighty God wants me to tell someone - He says that: As I carried your Parents; so will I carry you too - Amen.

2. He asked me to tell someone: I will reward your father's Faithfulness to Me through you - Amen.

3. Then He said something that I believed is mine but I will share it with whoever may want to Partake of it:

He said: I assured you that you will not weep in your Old Age - Amen.

4. He asked me to tell someone that: Yours is a family known for bankruptcy.

But He asked me to you that: That ends tonight - Amen.

5. Again this is for me but I will tell you too so that you can share it.

He says: Relax, your Future is secured in Me - Amen.

6. And finally; He said - Without any doubt, this must be for me too.

You know that I have told you that this Convention is for one (1) Fellow in Particular - I believed that is me and then somebody else might join me.

He said: The next twelve (12) Years of your Life will be Full of Miracles in Ascending Order of Greatness and Brightness - Amen.

I Pray that everyone of you listening to me tonight or reading now on the Label of DMC will be Partakers of these Prophesies - Amen

SPECIAL APPRECIATION FOR THE SUCCESS OF RCCG YAYA CONVENTION 2020 BY PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

I want to seize this opportunity to really Thank the Almighty God on behalf of all the Youths and Young Adults for His Faithfulness in your various lives.

I must confess that this Convention has been an extremely Successful one.

I have followed as much as it is Possible on Television - At least whenever I wasn't deep in Prayers.

I have listened to Sermons coming from some of you Young Men and it has been "Extraordinarily Good" - I am delighted!

I want to encourage those of you who didn't follow this Convention from the beginning - Do yourself a favour: Get the Tapes!

I am already collecting the Tapes - I want to listen to them again and again.

This is "One Convention" that definitely has been "Extremely Beneficial" and I will want you to Treasure all the Sermons in Particular that has been Preached.

I want to bless the Name of the Lord for all the Choirs that sang from Across the Oceans.

I want you to know that we are Praying for all of you and it is going to be well with you in Jesus Name - Amen.

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Now, before we go; I am going to Pray for all of you again and then as it is our Custom, we want to say Thank You to the Almighty God before the Closing Prayers.

And wherever you are at home; I want you to get ready because after the Thanksgiving Service; I will be back to Pronounce a Special Blessing on all of you.

God Bless You as we listen to the Choir.

They will sing as we give our Thanksgiving Offering to the Almighty God.

SPECIAL FINAL BLESSINGS BY PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

My Father and my God; I want to bless your Holy Name.

I want to Thank You for these "Wonderful Convention" of these Young Adults and the Youths.

Thank You for the manifestations of Your Glory - Father, Please accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

I Thank You God Almighty Particularly for that Testimony of that Young Man who had Cancer of all Places in the Mouth.

Thank You Lord God Almighty that You Proved once again that You are: "The Original Physician" - Thank You Daddy because there is nothing too hard for You to do.

On the basis of that Testimony my Father and my God; I Pray that anyone of Your children battling with that terrible disease called Cancer; that they will receive their Healings right now.

And Lord God Almighty, I decree that from this moment onwards; none of Your children will never have any contact with Cancer again in Jesus Name.

Lord God Almighty, Your children are coming to You in Prayer just now - We want to be like You; we are Your children Lord: Like Father, Like Son.

As they cry unto You tonight my Father and my God; in Your Own Miraculous Ways: Transform all of us, Receive us into "The Club of The Almighty", Give us the Power, the Grace, the Ability to do the impossible.

Bless Your children Oh Lord, answer all their Prayers

Receive their Offerings Lord, Bless it, Sanctify it and Use it for Your Glory.

And I Pray Lord God Almighty that very, very soon; each and everyone of Your children will be Lending to Nations!

Thank You Almighty God!

I Pray Lord God Almighty that even before Sunday (4th of October, 2020); everyone of these Your children will always be raising the dead.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise Ye the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

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And I can assure you that you will be glad you did as it will avail you first hand access to comprehensive reports on the various Messages of Pastor E.A Adeboye and other Men of God!

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