

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 35 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 22) - "THE ROLE OF YOUR EYES IN YOUR JOURNEY TO THE PROMISE LAND").

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OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, we are asking that in Your Own Wonderful Gracious Mercy that You will make this Year (2024) the Best that we have seen so far.

Send Help to us and just let all be well.

You have Repositioned us, we Pray Lord God Almighty that we will not abuse the New Position but we will use each and everyone of it for Your Glory.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Some of us might still be wondering why we are still talking about Joshua in the New Year.

It is because if you are looking for a Classical Example of Divine Repositioning, you will find it in Joshua too.

Because to move from being a Messenger to the Position of Head of State - That is a massive Repositioning that can only happen through the assistance of the Almighty God.

The Last Time we met at this Particular Channel for the Weekly Online Sunday Service (DMC NOTES: In Part 34 of this Series - You can get the Full Text on all Labels of DMC); we discussed the fact that "Achan Must Die".

And we gave several illustrations of People who had "An Achan" in their lives and "The Achan" Prevented them from reaching their Goals.

And I believed that the Last Example that we gave was Probably Moses - His own Achan was that he could get angry just once in a while.

And then, just when he was about to enter into the Promise Land, "His Achan" rose up against him and he missed the Greatest Opportunity of his Life.

We are going to talk a little more about Achan - As a matter of fact, we will be discussing Achan for a couple of some times to come because Achan must die.

Anything that will not allow us to reach our Goal must die - Amen!

So, we are going to read Joshua 7: 19-21:

19. And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I Pray thee, Glory to the LORD God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide it not from me.

20. And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the LORD God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done:

21. When I saw among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels of Silver, and a wedge of Gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they are hid in the Earth in the midst of my Tent, and the Silver under it.

We want to talk briefly about: "THE ROLE OF YOUR EYES IN YOUR JOURNEY TO THE PROMISE LAND".

...Because Achan said here in the Bible Text that we read that "I SAW".

1. The Original Sin came in Genesis 3: 1-6 - The Bible said that Eve saw.

She saw that the tree was Good for food and Pleasant to the eyes.

It was because she saw that the Original Sin came!

2. When you look at Genesis 13: 1-11; when Abraham said to Lot: Ha, we are Relatives and there should be no quarrel between us. Look, the whole Land is before you; select which one you want - If you go to the right, I will go to the left; if you go to the left, I will go to the right.

The Bible says in Verse 10 (DMC NOTES: Genesis 13:10) that Lot lifted up his eyes and saw the Land towards Sodom and Gomorrah and said: Oh, this Land is beautiful, well Watered and he choose that Land.

You know the result of what he saw - What he saw that led to his Choice:

I. Because in the very next Chapter - In Genesis 14: 1-12; it was what he saw that he was taken

Captive. He became a Prisoner of War - All because "He Saw".

II. As a matter of fact, by the time you get to Genesis 19: 15-38; you discovered that Lot lost all - He lost every Properties that he gained in Sodom and Gomorrah because while he was slow to escape, the Angel of the Lord hurried him. On the way to Salvation, his wife looked back and became a Pillar of Salt.

III. Oh yes he escaped with his two (2) daughters but at the end of the Story, the two (2) daughters got him drunk one night after the other and they became mothers of children for their father

So, what are you seeing?

What you see that will destroy your Legacy, in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ; you will never see them again - Amen!

3. And when you go on to Samson - You know very well the Story of Samson that he kept on seeing the wrong things.

I. In Judges 14: 1-18; he saw a Strange Woman and you know the result.

II. In Judges 16: 1-3; he saw another Strange Woman and that one nearly cost him his Life.

III. And then in Judges 16: 4-21; he kept on seeing again until the Enemies got him and Plucked out his eyes.

He never became what he could have become!

And anything at all that will work against your Destiny, if you are still looking at them; in the Name that is above every other names, you will never see them again - Amen!

4. I will give you another Example - You will find that in 2 Kings 5: 1-27.

It tells us the Story of a Man called Gehazi:

- The Man who could have become the Most Powerful Prophet of the Old Testament.

- The Man who could have inherited the Double Portion of Anointing on Elisha. Which means that He could have inherited a four times Portuon of the Anointing on Elijah.

But he lost all and instead he became a Leper!

Why? Because He saw the Wealth that Naaman brought with him.

The Bible said that Naaman came with Ten Talents of Silver, six thousand (6,000) Pieces of Gold and ten (10) Changes of Raiment (DMC NOTES: You will see this in 2 Kings 5:5).

And when his Master (Elisha) said No, the Power to heal you was given to me for free and so I can't Charge you for it - Go, I don't need your money.

Gehazi said my Master is allowing this Syrian to go without taking something from him? He said for me, I will Pursue him and take something off him.

You know the rest of the Story - He saw and Pursued and took what he wanted to take.

That's why he ended up a Leper.

5. You see, when you look at Matthew 4: 1-11; you will see that satan is fully aware of how what you see could completely truncate your Destiny.

The Bible said that he showed the whole world to the Lord Jesus Christ and said: Look at the whole world, look at the Glory thereof - All You need to do is just bow down to me, Worship me and I will give them all to you.

Thank God that the Lord Jesus Christ does not allow what the devil was showing Him to derail His Mission.

I'm Praying for you again at this beginning of a Great Year, that anything that you will see that will derail you from the Plans that God has for you; the Almighty God will not allow you to see it - Amen

You will begin to wonder then - The eyes must be very dangerous as Part of the body!

Well, according to Matthew 6: 22-23; the Bible calls the eyes the Light of the body.

And I'm telling you, that it is not a Good thing at all to be blind!

Because if you consider the Story of Bartimaeus in Mark 10: 46-52; you will see some of the horrors of being blind:

I. It could mean Stagnation.

II. It could mean Poverty.

III. It could mean Loneliness.

IV. It could mean quite a lot of Terrible Things.

And that's why I'm Praying from the bottom of my Heart that all those of you who has any form of Eye Problem at all, the God that I serve will give you a Brand New Eyes - Amen!

Because when you read Isaiah 6: 1-10; you will see that Physical Blindness might be terrible but even Spiritual Blindness is worst.

The Almighty God told Isaiah - I want to wipe out a Group of People and the only way that I can do it is that I will make them blind. If they won't see, then they won't be able to Repent and so I won't be able to save them.

So, those of you listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC, who are still in Spiritual Blindness of any type; I Pray that before today is over, God will open your eyes - Amen!

How important the eyes could be to the body is further illustrated in Mark 8: 22-25.

It tells the Story of a Man who was blind and who was brought to Jesus Christ.

The first time that Jesus touched his eyes, he said that he could see Men like trees. And the Almighty God gave him a Second Touch.

That is the only Story in the Bible where Jesus touched Somebody twice - It has to do with the issue of seeing because He wants you to see and see Perfectly.

There are things that only the "Blessed Eyes" could see:

1. In Matthew 13: 14-17; the Lord told the Disciples - Oh, blessed are your eyes for they can see me Performing Miracles and Wonders.

2. David Prayed a Prayer in Psalms 119:18 - He said: Lord open this my eyes that I may behold Wondrous Things out of Your Word.

It takes the Almighty God opening your Spiritual Eyes to see "Hidden Treasures" in the Word of God!

Two (2) People can read the same Passage of the Bible and one will see Nothing - Just what is written on Paper; and yet another can sit down for one week and begin to tell you "Hidden Truths" in just one Verse of the Scriptures.

I Pray for everyone of you listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC; that God will open your Spiritual Eyes - Amen.

3. In 2 Kings 2: 9-15; the day that Elijah was to be taken away; he asked Elisha: What can I do for you before I'm taken away from you? And the boy said: I want a Double Portion of your Spirit.

Elijah said that you have asked for a "Hard Thing" - But if you see me (Take Note of the Condition) when I'm taken away from you then it will be so to you. But if not, you won't get what you said that you want.

And the Great moment in the Life of Elisha, and the "Deciding Point" is: Can he see or will he not see?

That was why when the Invincible became Vincible - When he saw Horses of Fire, Chariots of Fire coming to take his Master home; he shouted to let the Master know that I see you.

He said: My father, my father; the Chariots of Israel and the Horsemen thereof - I can see what "Ordinary Eyes" cannot see.

There was a Woman who was born blind and was talking and she said: My case is better than many of you. She said that I have no eyes but I have Vision.

She said that some of you have eyes but you have no Vision.

It is one thing to have "Ordinary Eyes" and have no Vision.

It takes an insight, ability to see the Invincible and the ability to see the Future; to make a Man/Woman Special and Great.

So, it all depends on what your eyes are focused on.

In the case of Achan, his eyes were focused on the things that the Almighty God said: Hey, don't touch; these things are mine.

He said: Oh, I saw Silver, Gold and he said that is why I coveted them.

What are you focusing on? Because in this New Year (2024); your focus is going to determine your Future!

Colossians 3: 1-4 says that you should focus on Things above and not on Things beneath.

You should focus on things that will be Pleasing unto God and God will take you to Heights that you cannot even imagine.

I will tell you a Story before I close and it has to do with me.

When I became the General Overseer, The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) was small - Much smaller than we are now because we are still small.

But I want the Church to grow, I want the Church of God to be Big because I knew that my Life depends on the Church growing.

Then I heard of a Man called Kenneth Hagin - That when he is holding his Convention or Camp Meeting, thousands of People will come and so I said that I will go and see him.

I went and I saw.

I saw for the first time in my Life, a Congregation of seventeen thousand (17,000) People that came from all over the world - Hey, at that time The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) was at the biggest Convention less than seven hundred (700) People.

... I saw and I cried to God!

Years Past, things began to improve, then I heard of a Man called Yonggi Cho - That he is the Pastor of the biggest Church in the whole world in South Korea. And so, I went and I saw.

And I saw a Pastor that holds seven (7) Services in a Day on Sunday; each Service Packed to an Auditorium that can sit fifty thousand (50,000) People.

That is where I heard for the first time, a Pastor begging his Congregation that those of you who come this Sunday, don't come next Sunday so that those who could not come in this Sunday might be able to come in.

I saw and i cried to God!

Today, I am Grateful to God!

But I'm still seeing, I'm still focusing for something even Greater still.

Because you see in 2 Corinthians 3:18; the Bible says that as you behold the Lord Jesus Christ, you will be Transformed into His Image from Glory to Glory.

I'm focusing on the Lord Jezus Christ because I want to become more like Him in every details of Life!

What are you focusing on? Because what you see will determine what you will become!

ALTAR CALL

As for those of you who has not given your Life to Jesus Christ, it will amaze you to read what is written in John 3: 1-3 - The Bible says that unless you are Born Again, you can't see the Kingdom of God.

... You have to see it, before you can even think of entering into it.

And for your eyes to open to the Glory that is waiting ahead for Children of God, you have to give your Life to Jesus Christ first.

That is why I'm begging you today - That you will come and Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ so that He can open your eyes and you can then begin to see the Glory that lies ahead for every Child of God.

So, if you want to give your Life to Jesus Christ, wherever you may be now; Please bow your Head and cry to the Almighty God and say:

Please Lord, save my Soul today, open my eyes so that I can begin to see the Kingdom of God that is waiting for all Children of God.

Ask Him to save your Soul as I join you in Prayers.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

Oh my Father and my God, I want to bless Your Holy Name for Your Words.

I Thank You very much for the insights that You have given now into Your Words.

I Thank You for what You have allowed me to share with Your People today.

Please these People who are Surrendering their lives to You today, Please receive them, save their Souls, forgive all their sins, Lord God Almighty let Your Blood wash them Clean and Please open their eyes and let them begin to see the Kingdom of God so that on the Last Day, they will be there to reign with you.

As for Your Children - Those who has already been Born Again, I cry to You today that in Your Own Miraculous Way, You will take their eyes away from those things that can destroy them and let them begin to focus on You so that Day-By-Day, they will become more and more like

You.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I'm rejoicing with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ today - I will advise you to go to the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) and ask the Pastor there what do I do now that I'm Born Again and he will tell you.

God Bless You - I hope to hear from you very soon.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!



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Let Us Pray!

SONG

Blessed be the Name of the Lord
He is Worthy to be Praised and Adored
So we lift Up Holy Hands in one Accord
Singing, Blessed be thy Name
Blessed be thy Name
Blessed be the Name of the Lord

Holy is the Name of the Lord
He is Worthy to be Praised and Adored
So we lift Up Holy Hands in one Accord
Singing, Holy is thy Name
Holy is thy Name
Holy is the Name of the Lord

Jesus is the Name of the Lord
He is Worthy to be Praised and Adored
So we lift Up Holy Hands in one Accord
Singing, Jesus is thy Name
Jesus is thy Name
Jesus is the Name of the Lord

OPENING PRAYER

King of Kings and Lord of Lords; the One who is called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

The Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the Ending; the One who was, the One who is, the One who is to come; The Almighty - We Worship You and we Adore You.

We Thank You for all You have done for us already in the New Year; we Thank You for what You are yet to do - Please accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Even today as we gather together at Your Feet again to learn; Please send Your Words to us and let Your Words bring Healings to all of us.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen,

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

We are moving on to Part 36 in our Study on the Series: "For Whom The Heavens Open^ and here we are using Joshua as our illustrations for Someone for whom the Heavens Open.

And we were discussing in details what and what could represent Achan in our lives because we have emphasised that Achan must die. That anything at all in our lives that could lead us into trouble as we journey to our Spiritual Promise Land must be thoroughly dealt with.

In Part 35 of this Series, we looked at Joshua 7: 19-21.

I will read that Bible Text again as we continue our discussions on Achan.

Joshua 7:19-20:

19. And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I Pray thee, Glory to the LORD God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide it not from me.

20. And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the LORD God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done:

"He saw" - That was what led to our discussion on: "The Role of the Eyes in our Journey to our Promise Land".

And then he took.

So today, we will be talking about: "The Role of the Hands in our Journey to our Promise Land".

He (Achan) said: I saw and then I coveted and then I took.

The Bible is very, very Specific when it comes to the issue of Covetousness.

In Luke 12:15; the Lord said a Man's Life does not consist in the Abundance of the things he Possesses.

The Value of your Life is not determined by how much you have.

How Great you are is not determined by how many cars you have, how many houses, how much Money you have in the Bank, how many dresses you have - That is not what determines your Greatness.

As a matter of fact, I'm sure that some People must be frustrated because they have so much and there is no way of telling the People that this is how much I have in the Bank.

Some People if it were Possible will like to have a way of writing maybe on their foreheads - This Man is a Billionaire.

No, what makes you Great, what makes you Important, what makes you a Man/Woman of Value is not determined by the Abundance of the Things you have.

Covetousness is a Killer - You want to have everything that your Neighbour has.

That could lead you into some things that you never could have Dreamt that you could do.

The only thing that the Bible gives us Permission to covet according to 1 Corinthians 12:31 is the Best of Spiritual Gifts.

The Bible says that you are to covet earnestly the Best Spiritual Gifts.

If you say: God I want to have the Ability to raise the Dead; I want to have the Ability to get the Lame to walk; I want to have the Ability to make the Blind see - Oh, God will keep on saying Amen; ask for more.

You are allowed/advised to covet the Best Gifts because these are the things of Value and these are the things that will help you on your Journey to Eternal Life in Heaven.

But now, let us consider briefly the role of the hands because this Man said: When I saw, then I took.

You know in Genesis 3:6; in the original sin, it was after Eve saw that she took.

Genesis 3:6 - When the woman saw that the Fruit was Good, Pleasant to the Eyes, then she took.

You know that there is a Statement of the Wise - They said that the one who is fond of toiling with the leaves will reach for the Fruits at Last.

You kept on admiring the leaves, one day you will reach for the Fruits.

1. The Hand can bring in Death to the Owner.

In 2 Kings 4: 38-41; the sons of the Prophets were sitting before Elisha and he said that they should Prepare food for them.

And one Zealous fellow went to the field to go and gather additional Fruits to go and put into the food. And he brought in Poison.

You know, when we say to People who jump from one Church to another, there is the danger that you might bring in Poison from outside and the Poison you bring in might not be only there to kill you; it might be there to kill others with you.

Be careful what you touch with your hands.

Psalms 105:15 gave a Great Warning that has to do with how you use your hands.

It says: Touch not my Anointed and do my Prophet no harm.

When you read 1 Samuel 24: 1-5, in case you think that, that has only Spiritual Implications and Nothing Physical; you will discovered that when David had an opportunity to kill King Saul, he refused to kill him. He said No, he is the Anointed of God but I will cut a little Piece of his dress - Just a little Piece,

The Bible said that after he cut that little Piece, he has a Heart Attack - His Heart smote him. That is what the Bible says because he uses his hands to cut a little Piece of the dress of a Man of God.

Oh yes, he is a Backsliden King - Oh yes, God had forsaken him but the Anointing was still there.

Be careful how you treat or handle the Man of God.

Now, the Bible says again and again and again - Touch not the Unclean. Watch what you do with your hands.

In 2 Corinthians 6:7; it says that anything Unclean don't touch. Why? Because if you touch the Unclean, you defy yourself,

How important is your hand? How important is what you touch with your hands?

Why don't we learn a Lesson from what happened during the Coronavirus Epidemic or Pandemic.

What was the emphasise throughout that Period?

It was your hand - Wash your hands, and use Sanitizers on your hands.

They did not ask you to use Sanitizers for your face, they say instead, cover your face.

But then when it comes to your hands - Oh you shake hands with Somebody, then you must use Sanitizers because they know that the greatest way for the enemy to catch you might be through your hands.

The Bible says in Psalms 24: 3-5 - It says that you want to go to the Presence of God? They said that your Priority must be a Clean Hand.

Number One of all the conditions for those who will go to the Presence of God is Clean Hands.

That is why those of you who are True Children of God - Be careful what you do with your hands in your Place of work because whether you know it or not; God is watching you and God is keeping a Record.

That is why when we were talking of Restitution, you must learn to Restitute everything you have taken that is not yours, and everything that you have Possessed that should not belong to you because what you do with your hands can determine how far you will go.

That is why if you have stolen Money from your Place of work, you must Restitute; or if you have taken what is not yours, you must Restitute.

I told you this Story before:

When I was a Lecturer at the University of Lagos, because of my Position in the Department, we had envelopes and sheets that when we want to write Official Things we can use.

And I wrote a Personal Letter and I Stretch forth my hands to take one of the envelopes to put the Letter in. And the Almighty God said: Stop it, that envelope is for Official Letters and not for Personal Letters,

And I said to the Almighty God - How much is an envelope? And He said to me that if you know an envelope is that cheap, go and buy your own.

Because many of you can see the Glory - And I thank God for the Glory of God in my Life.

And I'm Praying for all of you my children because you are the ones I'm Praying for Specially - In the Name above every other name, you will be Greater than I (Amem).

But if you see the Glory, you must know the Story.

The God that you are dealing with is an Holy God and the wife He wants to marry must be a wife without Spots, without Wrinkles and without any Blemish.

If you have some Restitutions that you haven't made, go ahead and make them now!

If you think that you have done certain things that Nobody knows and Nobody sees; what about God? He knows, He sees and He is keeping Records!

2. And yet the hands are very Precious Part of the Body:

I. If you use your hands right, it can bring in your Miracles.

For Example in Mark 5: 25-34; the woman with the Issue of Blood said that if I can just touch the hem of His Garments - That's Hand o!

She didn't say if I can tear His Garments!

You remember King Saul tore the Garments of Samuel and Samuel said to him - The Kingdom is torn away from you.

The woman with the Issue of Blood touched Him and as she made Contact with her hands with the One carrying the Power that made Heaven and Earth, she got her Healings.

I'm Praying for those of you who needs a Miracle today; that by Faith your hands will touch the hems of the Garment of Jesus Christ - Amen!

In John 11: 39-43; when Jesus Christ came to the Tomb of Lazarus, he asked the Men who stood by to roll away the stones.

You need hands to roll away stones,

They used their hands to do what Human Beings can do and then they open the way for the Almighty God to do what He alone can do.

Occasionally, the Almighty God will give you an opportunity to use your hands to Preoare the way for the Miracle He wants to Perform in your Life.

For Example, when we come to the Convention, we always say that those of you who are around; you must Pick Up every dirt that you see on the floor.

And we always add - As we are keeping the House of the Lord Clean, He will keep your Life Clean.

Some of you will say that I'm "Too Big" to bend down to Pick any dirt. You don't know what you are missing - Your hands can Prepare the way for the Miracles of the Almighty God to come in.

Use your Hands correctly and you will get a Reward from the Almighty God!

Consider 2 Kings 2: 9-15 - When Elijah was taken by Whirlwind to Heaven and he dropped his Mantle.

The Bible said that Elijah took the Mantle - He used his hands to grab the Mantle.

He used his hands when he got to River Jordan to roll the Mantle and to smite the Jordan and said: "Where is the Lord, God of Elijah?".

He used his Hands Profitably, he used his hands in the correct way and you know the results - He became Someone that other Children of the Prophets came to bow down for.

II. Your Hands can become Conductor of the Power of the Almighty God.

For Example in Mark 16: 17-18; the Almighty God says as Part of the Signs that will follow those who believed Him, that they will lay hands on the Sick and they will recover.

Your hands can conduct the Power of God into the Life of the Sick, so that the Sick can become Healed.

God is not saying that you will be the Healer, He says you lay your hands that they can feel and then my hands that they cannot see will be laid on your hands and the Power will flow.

But what kind of hands do you think that can be laid on the Sick and get the Sick healed? It cannot be dirty hands or Unclean hands.

What kind of wire is used to conduct Electricity? - Pure wire. They don't use iron wire to conduct Electricity.

There was a time they were using Copper wire because that was very pure compared to iron in those days.

But they moved on from that when they discovered that there is Fibre glass.

They discovered that the Purer the Conductor, the more easily the Current will flow.

What kind of hands are your hands? Can they conduct the Power of God freely?

It is not everyone who can lay hands on the Sick and the Sick will get healed.

What is the Problem? The Problem is a matter of the hands - How Clean are your hands?

3. And then another thing about your hands is found in Ecclesiastes 9:10.

The Bible says that whatever your hands find to do, do it with all your Might.

In other words, how Diligent you are is related with your hands.

Are you a Lazy Person? Are you an Hardworking Person? Are you Someone that God will give the opportunity to bear rule?

The Bible says that the Diligent Hands shall bear rule.

How are you using your hands? Do you use your hands to Play all day long or you use the hands to do something Precious for the Almighty God?

Think about it.

Is your hands reaching out to something that is wrong or is it reaching out to transform other lives?

4. But the most important thing about your hands is actually to be found in Psalms 73: 22-24.

David was talking about how he could be a "Foolish Fellow"; how he knows that he is not very Worthy.

He said but one thing he is sure of is that the Almighty God will hold him by the hand and receive him into Glory,

If you read Psalms 24: 7-10; you will discovered that when we are talking about entering into Glory, there is a door there called "The Everlasting Door".

That door does not just open to anyone - It opens only to the Lord Jesus Christ.

And even the Lord of Host Himself will answer Questions when He get to that door.

My Spiritual Daddy used to tell me - Son, when a Man dies in Christ, the Angel will come and take him and carry him to Heaven.

But when the Angel gets to a certain Level, He will tell you that I can't go further than this - I get "Too Close" to God, the Glory of God will wipe me out.

He said that is why the Angel who stands before God cover their faces and feet with wings so that the Glory of the Lord will not wipe them out.

He said that the Angel will say: This is how far that I can go and then the Son of God Himself will come and take you from there on and lead you all the way to where God the Father is.

David said: When I walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, I fear no evil; for thou Art with me - Because I know that you will receive me to Glory by holding my hands.

Do you think God is going to hold dirty hands?

Do you think that the Almighty God whose Eyes cannot even behold sin will hold the hands that is Unclean and lead Him to Glory?

You will cry to God today and say: Lord God Almighty, from this Day onwards, don't let my hands touch anything Unclean.

Anything that I have been toiling with that will not allow You to hold my hands and receive it to Glory, Father let me put an end to it today.

ALTAR CALL

Now, as for those of you who are not even yet Born Again; it is not even your hands alone that are dirty but your entire body.

So, you better come to the Lord Jesus Christ now and ask Him to Please wash you Clean in His Blood. Ask Him to save your Soul because there is a Place you cannot go on your own except the Lord leads you in.

So, if you want to give your Life to Jesus Christ, Please bow your heads now.

Cry to Him for Salvation - Ask that His Blood will wash you Completely Clean from head to toe as I Pray with you just now.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You once again for Your Words - I want to Thank You for the Grace to say the Truth as it is.

And I want to Thank You for those who has decided to Surrender their lives to You today.

Father Please receive them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away traces of sin in their lives. And from now on, Father keep them Pure and keep them Holy so that all of us together will be able to enter into Your Kingdom as You hold our hands.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I'm rejoicing with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ today.

I can assure you that the Blood of Jesus Cleanses from all sins. That even if you are to die today now, you will make it to Heaven.

But I will advise you to go to the Pastor in The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) nearest to you and ask him what do I do next?

I will be hearing Good News from you in Jesus Name - Amen!

And one day, we will meet in Heaven - Amen!
Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 37 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 24) - "THE DOCTRINE OF SANCTIFICATION".

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 28TH JANUARY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 7: 24-26

Let Us Pray!

SONG

You are Worthy to be Praised
You are Worthy to be Praised
My Redeemer
You are Worthy to be Praised

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, the Ancient of Days, the Unchangeable Changer - We Worship You.

Thank You because thus far You have helped us - It is of Your Mercy that we are not Consumed.
Thank You for renewing Your Mercy everyday in our lives.

We Thank You for Your Patience Lord - Patience while we look at what we should not looked at; Patience when we take what we shouldn't take; Patience allowing us to Restitute our ways.

Father, we give You all Glory and Honour, Please accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Father, as we continue with our Study today, speak to us Lord, teach us the Truth Lord; so that we will know the Truth and the Truth will make us Free.

And Uphold us till the very End.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, we want to move on to the next Stage in our Study that we have using Joshua as our illustration - An illustration for whom the Heavens Open!

And it is quite a "Good Illustration for Divine Repositioning".

And we have been discussing the case of Achan - And we said that Achan must die because Achan represents that which can hinder us from reaching our Goal.

We have looked at Achan and:

- We have Studied the role of our eyes in this our Journey to Heaven.
- And then we discussed on a "Fairly Deep Level"; the role of our hands in the Journey to Heaven.

So, we want to discuss something - A Doctrine that is not often talked about nowadays today from the case of Achan.

You know like I told you some weeks Past, nowadays People don't talk about Restitution - Which is unfortunate. But in your own case, you have heard me talk about it.

But we will be talking about another Doctrine today - Very Deep Doctrine that was commonly taught when People like me got Born Again but we don't hear "Too Much" about it now.

And so my Bible Text today will be: Joshua 7: 24-26.

Joshua 7: 24-26

24. And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the Silver, and the Garment, and the wedge of Gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his Asses, and his Sheep, and his Tent, and all that he had: and they brought them unto the Valley of Achor.

25. And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? The LORD shall trouble thee this day. And all Israel stoned him with stones, and burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

26. And they raised over him a great heap of stones unto this day. So the LORD turned from the fierceness of his anger. Wherefore the name of that Place was called, The Valley of Achor, unto this day.

Let me start by Praying for you - That the Lord will trouble your trouble (Amen).

That everything that is troubling you, in the Name that is above every other name; the Almighty God will trouble them - Amen!

When I read this Part of the Story, I was shocked.

I was shocked because of the Violence exhibited here upon Achan and everything that Pertains

to him.

I. They stoned him to Death.

II. I thought that will be enough but they didn't stop there - Then they burnt him with fire. That means that they reduced him to ashes.

III. But they didn't stop there - They heap a Mighty heap of stones on his ashes.

In other words, they are saying as they will say among my People - "Die upon die, upon die".

In Yorubaland, they will say: "ATUNKUTUN RE" - Die so thoroughly that you can never never rise again.

Your Achan must die!

- It must not just be stoned to Death, it must be burnt by Fire.

- Not just burnt with Fire, after you have buried it, you must heap stones upon the Grave so that it can never Possibly rise again.

Why? You see because 1 Corinthians 10:11 tells us clearly that everything that is written is written to be an Example to us, for whom the end of the world has come.

They didn't just do these things just for fun; it is to be an Example to those of us coming from behind.

Why were the People so violent with Achan?

1. They did it so that it can be an Example to others.

Just in case there are other People in the Camp who may want to think along the same way as Achan - It says watch and see what will happen.

2. This is the most important reason according to Nahum 1:9 - So that Affliction may not arise the second time.

Many of us had made mistakes in the Past because of the way we used our eyes, because of the way we use our hands and we had suffered the repercussions.

Achan must die so thoroughly so that we will never, never, never again make the same mistake.

Anyone who has been backsliding before and you know what you suffered during the Period of

Backsliding; you must do something so thoroughly that, that situation can never repeat itself.

That brings us to the Doctrine called: "THE DOCTRINE OF SANCTIFICATION".

1. After you are Born Again, the Blood of Jesus Christ wipe away all your sins!

1 John 1:7 says that the Blood of Jesus Cleanses you from all sins.

After you are Born Again according to 2 Corinthians 5:17 - Oh, Old Things are gone, all things are to become New.

2. But the Bible teaches us that after you are Born Again, there is the Possibility of Backsliding.

2 Peter 2: 20-22 says: Hey, after you have tasted the Power of the Kingdom to come; after you have escaped from all the Corruptions of the world; if you should go back, it might be difficult to restore you.

It might be like a case of a dog returning to its vomit - That is what the Bible teaches.

3. The Bible teaches in Galatians 5:4 that there is a Possibility of falling from Grace as you are saved by Grace.

4. In 1 Corinthians 10:12; it says he who thinks he Stand must take heeds lest he fall.

So, those of you who says that once you are saved, you are saved forever - Maybe they don't read all the Bible!

The Bible says that there is need for you to take heeds lest you fall.

2 Corinthians 13:5 says: Keep on examining yourself - Are you still in Faith?

5. The Bible tells us that there is the Possibility of becoming Lukewarm.

Revelation 3: 15-16 - All the Books written in the Book of Revelation were to the Churches and Church Members.

That is where God says that some People are Lukewarm and He was going to spue them out of His mouth (Revelation 3: 15-16).

6. There is the Possibility of becoming Cold after you are Born Again.

And some of you listening to me or reading now on the Label of DMC; you know what I'm talking about.

The Bible says in Matthew 24:12 - It says that because Iniquities will abound, the Love of some People will grow Cold.

And we are living in an era when Iniquities are really, really abounding.

I mean the kind of things you never could Dream could happen is happening.

I know in one Nation in the world where we have our Churches, they arrested my Pastor. And what was his offence.

He spoke in a Gathering and he said: Ladies and Gentlemen and then he continued to speak and they arrested him.

Why? Because he said Ladies and Gentlemen. They said what about the others? What of those who are neither Ladies and Gentlemen.

I mean we are living in a world where you can say Ladies and Gentlemen and go to the Prison for that.

So when Iniquities abound, the Bible says that the Love of some People will grow cold.

7. And then, there are those who fall back because what they are hoping for they didn't get it on time.

Proverbs 13:12 says Hope deferred can make the Heart sick.

My Prayer for you is that whatever that you are hoping for; the Almighty God will give you today - Amen!

THIS BRINGS US TO THE ISSUE OF THE HEART.

Because when we talk about Sanctification, it has to do with the Heart - Your Heart is very important.

Proverbs 4:23 says: Hey, take Good care of your Heart because out of it comes the Issues of Life.

Matthew 15: 18-19 says: Out of the Heart comes all manners of things. All kinds of evil thoughts they emanate from the Heart.

Proverbs 23:7 says that it is as a Man thinketh that he is.

It is your thoughts within your Heart that will determine ultimately how you will end up becoming.

For Example: Take Peter - A Great Man of God.

In Mark 10: 28-30; Peter said to the Lord Jesus Christ - We have left all and we are following You. What is going to be our Rewards?

And there was no Rewards like he was expecting - To be made Probably the Minister of Fishery.

And so, when in Acts 1: 4-6; when they were gathered together with the risen Jesus Christ; he raised the Question again - Are You going to restore the Kingdom now because we thought that you are going to bring the Kingdom?

I mean that we are already Struggling who will be on the Right Hand side, who will be on the Left Hand side; who is going to be the Deputy King or whatever.

Now, You died, and then You rose from the Dead - Good! Are You now going to restore the Kingdom?

And the Lord said: No, that is not the way things are going to be.

The Bible tells us in John 21: 1-3 - Peter looked at the rest of the People and said: Well, I don't know about you but I go Fishing.

I am going back to my Trade - I had hoped for something Great from this Man but I didn't get it and so I go back Fishing.

I Pray for those of you who are on the verge of Backsliding; the Lord who stopped Peter and who restored his Confidence to him will Pay you a visit today - Amen!

And so Sanctification talks about your Heart - Because the Heart of a Man according to Jeremiah 17:9; the Heart of a Man is desperately wicked.

The Heart of a Man is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked and who can know it?

That is why in Ezekiel 36: 24-25; the Bible says that after God has Cleansed you, He has to do something about your Heart - He has to give you a New Heart of Flesh.

He has to remove from your body, the Heart of stone - The Heart of stone must go.

When we talk about dealing with Achan, you need to know in 1 Samuel 17: 45-51 - David just didn't just kill Goliath, he cut off his head.

It is not just enough to be saved, you must deal with the Heart so that the Heart does not get back into sinning.

- It is not enough to kill a Snake, you must cut off its head.

- It is not enough to kill Goliath, you have to cut off his head.

In Matthew 5: 29-30; when the Lord was giving you the advice that only your best friend can give you.

And he was talking of your eyes - He said that if your Right Eye is going to cause you to offend, He said you must Pluck it out and throw it away from you - Not just Pluck it out, you must throw it away so that there won't be any Possibility of the Eyes finding it's way back.

And then He gave the same Advice concerning your Right Hand - He said if your Right Hand is causing you to offend, cut it off and throw it away from you.

We have talked about the Eyes, we have talked about Hands and God is saying that it is not just a case of Plucking out the eyes or cutting off the hands; it must be thrown away!

It is not enough to be saved; you have to get to that Stage you have to Pray so that the Almighty God will deal with your inside or your Heart.

The Blood will Cleanse you but you must go a step further and cry to God for a Heart of Flesh.

- It is Sanctification that will Prevent you from falling into the trap of Pride because Pride comes from the Heart.

- It is Sanctification that will help you to forgive those who has offended you, so that you don't harbour Bitterness in your Heart.

Because if you harbour Bitterness in your Heart, the Bible says that the root of Bitterness will defy you.

- It is the next step in your Journey to become Christ-Like that that Heart of stone deep within you be replaced with a Heart of Flesh.

- It is Sanctification that will bring you to a Level that will show even the Almighty God that alright, you have reached a "Point of No Return" and that you are going to go with Him all the way,

You need a New Heart - A New Heart of Flesh.

You cannot run this race with the Heart of Stone still within you or you will backslide. You need the Heart of Flesh.

You need what we could call a "Heart Transplant" - And that is the best illustration ever.

When a Man has a Heart that is sick that the Doctors said that there is Nothing I can do about this Heart - It's too bad.

Then they will say that he should be Prepared for a Heart Transplant.

How do you get a New Heart to replace the Old Heart?

Well, they will look for a Young Man who dies maybe in a Motor Accident and the Heart still Strong and Healthy.

And very quickly after that boy died, they quickly take the Heart before it is "Too Late" and Prepared it.

And the Fellow who needs a New Heart is already in one Hospital or the other, waiting till when they will find a Good Heart.

As soon as they get a New Heart, they put the Man who needs a New Heart to Sleep, take out the Old Heart and put in the New one. And the Man will wake up and begin to live with a New Heart.

Now, you don't get a New Heart unless Somebody dies - Somebody has to die in the Prime of Age and then makes the Heart available to you.

A New Heart became available to you the Day Jesus Christ died on the Cross.

The Day He said in John 19:30 - It is Finished!

He was actually saying that there is a New Heart available for anyone who wants to receive it - The Heart of Jesus Christ Himself is an Heart of Flesh.

That Heart is still available today for anyone of us who is willing to receive it.

But you need to know that the Fellow who is going to receive a New Heart must be put to Sleep.

The Doctor before beginning the Operation, is going to put the Man who is going to be the Recipient absolutely to Sleep.

He is going to check whether the Fellow is fully asleep by slapping or Pinching to see if he will say: Leave me alone. Then they will know that he is not ready for the Operation.

Until you are ready for a Life of Total Surrender to the Almighty God, you cannot receive the Heart Transplant!

So, those of you who are listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC; you know that the Topic is not really a small one - We are talking deep to you now.

Are you ready for a Life of "Complete Surrender" to God? Because if you are, He is ready to give you a Heart of Flesh.

He is ready to take out of your System that terrible Heart that is desperately wicked and give you the Heart of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

And the moment you get that New Heart, you yourself you know that things are different now - And living a Life of Holiness will be easy, living a Life of Compassion will become easy and the ability to Restitute your way will become easy.

But the Choice is yours - I can't take the Decision for you as you can only take the decision by yourself.

Which means that those of you who are not even Born Again, Step Number 1 is Salvation (The Foundation).

But Sanctification is the Pillar that only Upholds the house that God is about to build for you in your Life.

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So, if you want to begin to think of getting really, really committed to God, why don't you start by giving your Life to Him - Let Him save your Soul today and then you can continue from there.

So, those of you who wants to give your Life to Jesus Christ, will you Please bow your Head wherever you are - I will Pray for your Salvation and the Almighty God will continue from there.

And those of you who are already Born Again but we still have our Heart troubling us - Thinking all sorts of Terrible Thoughts, Immoral Thoughts and we want to be fully Sanctified; this is your Day where you can cry to the Almighty God in Total Surrender.

And say: Father, take away the Heart of stone from me and give me a Heart of Flesh.

Let Us Pray!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, once again I want to Thank You for Your Words - Thank You for taking us Deeper and Deeper everyday.

And I give You Glory and Honour for all those who has made up their Minds that we want to begin this Journey, we want to be saved and we want to be washed in the Blood of the Lamb.

As many of them that has made up their Mind to do this Lord, Please save their Souls, forgive all their sins, let Your Blood wipe them Completely Clean of all their sins and receive them into the Family of God.

And I am Praying also for all Your Children today, who are asking to be Completely Sanctified - Those who are asking for the Heart of Flesh.

Please Lord, grant their Requests so that from now on my Father and my God, it will become very easy to live a Life of Holiness.

Thank You Almighty God.

For in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Again, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ.

I advise you to Please go to the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) near to you.

And ask the Pastor there: What do I do next now that I am Born Again?

And he will tell you.

God Bless You!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

Thank you so much for staying all through to read.

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TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 38 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA -

PART 25) - "THE DOCTRINE OF SANCTIFICATION - PART 2" AND "BACK TO SQUARE ONE - PART 1".

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 11TH FEBUARY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 8: 1-2

Let Us Pray!

SONG

Magnify Him, Magnify Him
Magnify Christ the Lord
Amen
Magnify Him, Magnify Him
Magnify Christ the Lord
Amen

OPENING PRAYER

Our Father and our God, the Bright and Morning Star; the Holy One of Israel, the One who was, the One who is, the One who is to come; the Almighty God - We Worship You.

We are very, very Grateful for Loving us as we were because while we were yet Sinners, You died for us.

We want to Thank You for keeping us in Your Love, even up till this moment - Thank You!
Thank You!! Thank You!!!

Thank You because Your Words teaches us that even while we are yet in our mother's Womb, You had already chosen us.

Thank You Almighty God - Please accept our Worship in Jesus Name,

It is written that He sent His Words and it Healed them and delivered them from all their Destructions.

As Your Words will be going forth today to Your Children, let the Healing Power in Your Word becomes Manifest.

Deliver us from all our Destructions and let all just be well with us Lord.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

We are continuing with our Study using Joshua as an illustration of "The One Whom The Heavens Open".

And like we said at the beginning of the Year (2024); it could easily have been used as a Typical Example for Divine Repositioning.

And we have been spending quite a lot of times on Joshua Chapter 7; but today we are moving forward to Joshua 8: 1-2.

I'm sure that by now, some of us will be saying: When are we ever going to finish with the Book of Joshua?

Well, as long as God has something for us, we will just keep on Studying.

Joshua 8:1-2:

1. And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the People of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the King of Ai, and his People, and his City, and his Land:

2. And thou shalt do to Ai and her King as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a Prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the City behind it.

This is an extremely interesting Passage in the Story of Joshua.

But before we go deeper into this Passage, I ended up in the Last Series - DMC NOTES: Part 37; on "The issue of Sanctification".

And I told you how to get a Heart of Flesh and having the Heart of Stone removed so that we can have an easy way of doing the Will of God.

DMC NOTES: We can get to read the Full Text of the Part 37 of the Series on this Link:

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But I noticed that in my hurry to tell you how to become Sanctified, I didn't even bothered to

fully described the word Sanctification and what exactly it means.

To be Sanctified actually means "To be Set Apart for the use of the Almighty God".

In 2 Timothy 2: 20-21; the Bible tells us that in a Great House, there are many Vessels, some unto Honour and some unto Dishonour. And it says further that if a Man will Purge himself (Purge and not just washed); of all manners of evil, then he will become a Vessel unto Honour, Sanctified, Meet for the Master's Use.

To really understand the full meaning of Sanctification, you will need to understand that there are many People that can be called the Bride of Christ.

So, it will be appropriate to think of a King that has many wives - And you know in the Olden Days, a King can have many wives like Solomon who had only just seven hundred (700) wives.

And then, out of all the wives, the King will choose one that he will call his Favourite.

An illustration of an African King might help us:

An African King may have many wives. And because the wives are many, he might not be able to attend to them appropriately as he is supposed to do as a husband to a wife.

And because all manners of High Chiefs and Warriors and Medicine People do come to the Palace regularly; some of them get attached to one wife or the other of the King and they minister to them.

That is why they say in Africa that you find all manners of children in the Palace but not all of them are really born by the King.

But because they were born in the Palace, they are called Princes and Princesses - Some of them might belong to the Head of Warriors and another one might belong to the Chief Herbalist and so on and so forth.

But then, of all these wives; the King will choose and make it abundantly clear - This one belongs to me and me alone and Nobody messes with her.

It doesn't matter if you are the Head of all the Warriors, you mess with this one, you loose your Head.

That wife that is called "The Favourite Wife" or she could be called "The Sanctified Wife" - She is kept Pure, Untainted Unsoiled and Set Aside for the King!

You said where do you find that kind of thing in the Bible?

1. Numbers 3: 11-12; the Almighty God said: Levite shall be mine, I have taken Levite unto myself.

... Oh, I love the whole of Israel but Levite shall be mine.

I don't have the time to tell you the Story of how Levite became the Favourite of the Most High God.

But if you have time, Study everywhere you find Levite - You will be amazed how Wonderful it is to be Set Aside for God.

Do you know that the Levite were not even supposed to own Land?

The Almighty God said I will be their Supply - The rest of the Nation is Commanded to Supply the Needs of the Levites.

It is a Wonderful thing to be a Favourite of God - So, to be Sanctified is a Wonderful Thing!

2. I give another Example in the Scriptures - In Esther 4: 10-16.

We learnt that the King that married Esther was such a Powerful King that Nobody comes to His Presence without Permission - If he does not send for you and you go to visit him; all he has to do for you to loose your head is to do Nothing.

You come to his Presence, he did not send for you, he looks at you and just keep looking at you - Nothing else.

That is enough Sign to the Soldiers around to cut off your Head.

But when Esther visited him unsummoned as we will find in Esther 5: 1-3 - Because Esther was a Favourite Wife, she went to the King.

Not only did the King says you are Welcome, the King says: Ask anything you want; even up to half of my Kingdom and you will get it.

Believe me honestly - If you don't have any other reason(s) to be Sanctified; that is enough!

So, make sure that you sincerely Pray that Prayer that the Almighty God will Sanctify you!

3. And you will find another illustration in John 13: 21-26.

And you find out that among the Apostles, God has Someone that was referred to in the Holy

Bible as "John The Beloveth".

He was so loved that name "Beloveth" was attached to him.

And an incident happened in the Passage that we considered (John 13: 21-26) - Jesus Christ was talking about who will betray Him and everybody was asking: Is it me?

And Peter beckoned to John the Beloveth and said: If He won't tell anybody else, we know that He will tell you as we know that you are Special.

And we know the rest of the Story - John asked for the information and Jesus told him; not in Plain Language but in Codes.

There are some People who can get information from God, even when God is not telling anyone else - They are the Sanctified People.

To be Sanctified means that you are Set Apart for God and you become a Favourite of the Most High God!

I Pray that God will use this little Piece of Message as a Great Hunger in you for Sanctification if you are yet to be Sanctified.

That you will Pray for it and God will give it to you in Jesus Name - Amen!

Now, we come to Joshua 8: 1-2:

Joshua had Restituted and Achan was dead - Stoned to Death, burnt and even the ashes were covered with a Great Heap of Stone.

And now, God spoke to Joshua.

You know that there is a Phrase "BACK TO SQUARE ONE" - And we always use that Phrase Negatively!

But it has a Positive Meaning too.

"Back to Square One" could have a Negative Meaning if:

1. You considered something like Exodus 14: 5-12.

When Pharaoh and his People were Pursuing the children of Israel and they met them at the Red Sea. Their Plan was to bring them back to Square One - Back to Slavery and Bondage.

... That is a Negative Way of looking at "Back to Square One".

2. In Proverbs 21:20; if you want to interpret it in Modern Language; you can say what is well known that: A fool and his Wealth are always soon separated.

In other words, if a fool becomes rich; it is not going to be long before he becomes "Back to Square One".

That is why you find a lot of People winning huge amount of Money in a Lottery and within a Couple of years, they are broke again - They are back to Square One.

As a matter of fact, the world's Statistics says eighty Percent (80%) of those who win Lotteries, within five (5) years will be begging for Money - They are back to Square One.

3. In 1 Kings 1: 5-53; you will see the Story of a Prince called Adonijah.

He woke up one Morning and said that my father refuses to die; I'm going to become King as I can't wait for him - It is my Inheritance anyway!

Early in the Morning, he gathered People together and Proclaimed himself a King. And the People were already hailing him - Long live King Adonijah!

And News got to David and there was a little bit of Political Play in the Palace and before you know it, Solomon was Proclaimed King by King David himself.

The Bible says that in Israel on that Day, there were three (3) Kings:

I. King David - The Original King.

II. Adonijah - The one who made himself King.

III. And Solomon - The one who was made King by his father.

But the most important thing was that before the Day was out, Adonijah was back to Square One - He wasn't a King anymore!

Oh yes, he still remains as a Prince but a Prince living in Fear - That is a Good Illustration of "Back to Square One".

But there is a Positive Meaning of "Back to Square One" - You see, it all depends on what exactly is "Square One".

For Example:

1. You read Genesis 8: 14-21 - And you can see what happened to Noah and his family.

They used to live on dry Land, then they got to the Ark, Rain came and the Rain lasted for forty (40) days and forty (40) Nights.

And they were in the Ark with all manners of animals, birds - Oh, only God knows how smelly the inside of the Ark might have been but they dare not go out until after forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights when they were back to dry Ground,

They were back to Square One - A very Good Square One!

2. Another Example of Good back to Square One is found in Daniel 4: 28-37 - It tells us the Story of a King called Nebuchadnezzar, who was a Mighty King.

Then he forgot himself and God told him: Alright, I will show you who is the King of Kings.

And for seven (7) years, Nebuchadnezzar was walking about naked - Eating Grass with the animals and the only Clothes that he has were Feathers like birds.

And then, he came to his senses - Restituted his Ways and say: Oh God, I am sorry and I am just like an "Ordinary Grasshopper".

And God said, okay back to Square One - And He Picked him up, his Chiefs came to him and took him back to the Palace, washed him, Clothe him and Crowned him again.

And he said: Oh, my Glory were restored to me - That is back to Square One and a very Good Square One.

3. And then of course, when you read Luke 15: 11-24 - You will read the Story of the Prodigal son there.

He was a son - Living in Plenty, eating the best Meals and everything was fine. He was "Well Dressed" as a son of a Mighty Man.

Then he strayed - He took what he considered to be his own Portion of the Heritage, went, lavished all the Money, and wasted everything.

And then Famine came and he became so hungry that he would have loved to eat what was being given to Pigs to eat and they will not even give it to him.

And then the Bible says that one day, he came to his senses and he said: Ha, instead of dying of hunger; I will arise, I will go to my father, I will explain to him that I have sinned and I want to

Restitute.

He came home and he was well received.

He wasn't just back home - They washed him, they removed the rags on him, they dressed him up and even held a Party for him.

... He was back to Square One but what a Good back to Square One - Back to Positive, back to Honour and back to Celebrations.

I'm Praying for you today who has strayed that before this Day is over; you will be back to a Good Square One - Amen!

Because after Restitution, God brings you back to at least the spot where you strayed so that you can begin afresh.

I have always given the illustration that if you are travelling for Example in Nigeria.

Assuming you are travelling from Lagos to Ilorin (DMC NOTES: Capital City of Kwara State) - Travelling Northwards. And you are supposed to go straight Northwards.

But then, you get to the Junction called Sagamu Junction (Around Ogun State) and you turned off to the Right - Taking you now Eastwards.

But then, at a time when you are supposed to be in Ibadan (DMC NOTES: Capital City of Oyo State) - Which is still on your Northwards Journey; you find yourself in a City called Ijebu Ode (DMC NOTES: A City in Ogun State) - Going Eastwards.

And you suddenly realised that I have strayed.

To be back to Square One is to come back to right where you strayed - Come back to Sagamu Junction and now begin the Journey towards the North..

When you read the Passage that we read today - DMC NOTES: Joshua 8: 1-2; you will see that what God said to Joshua is evidence that God is saying: Alright Joshua, you have strayed but now you are back and so we can begin to talk again.

I can now begin to speak to you as I was speaking to you at the beginning.

You know that in the case of Abraham - When Abraham left home in Genesis Chapter 12 and he did not obey God Completely because he took Lot with him.

From that moment onwards, God didn't say a word to Abraham - And he went from one Problem

to another and God kept quiet.

There is a Great Prayer that you should Pray:

- That the Almighty God will not keep quiet when you are Suffering.
- That God will speak to you so that at least you will know when to quickly Restitute your way so that you can begin to hear from Him again.

When you read Genesis 13: 14-18; the Bible tells us that after Lot had departed from Abraham, then God spoke to him again.

And you know what? From that moment onwards, God began to speak to him.

As a matter of fact, by the time you get to Genesis 18: 17-33; the Almighty God said that: "Shall I hide from Abraham what I'm about to do?"

The One who had not spoken when he strayed or his Obedience Incomplete, God is now saying: I don't think that I can't hide anything from this Man again as he has become my friend and Favourite.

I'm Praying for everyone of you listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC - If you are suffering and God has been Silent, I Pray that God will reach out to you today so that you can Repent, Restitute and He can begin to talk to you again - Amen!

I am Praying from the bottom of my Heart that if you are on Speaking Terms with the Almighty God before but you are no longer on Speaking Terms with Him; whatever you need to do so that He will begin to talk to you again, so that you can come back to Square One (In terms of Speaking Terms with God), may the Almighty God give it to you and give you the Grace to do it - Amen!

ALTAR CALL

And so, for those of you who has not yet given your Life to Jesus Christ - You wonder: What is he talking about being on Talking Terms with the Almighty God?

Probably the reason why up till this moment you have never heard from God is because you have not even Surrendered your Life to Him - You are not one of His Own, that is why you have not heard from Him.

Because the Lord says: I know my own and my own knows me and knows my voice.

If you will give your Life to Jesus Christ today, you will be amazed that it won't be long before God begin to talk to you as a friend to a friend,

So, if you want to give your Life to Jesus Christ, will you Please bow your Head now as I Pray for you.

And God will save your Soul and you will come to Talking Terms with the Almighty God.

Shall we Pray!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

Ancient of Days, we want to say Thank You - We want to give You all the Glory and Honour for Your Words today.

And we are asking Lord God Almighty, that You will have Mercy on all those who are Surrendering their lives to You for the First Time today.

That You will Please forgive all their sins, that You will save their Souls Lord and bring them into Fellowship with You so that from now on, they too will be hearing Your Voice.

And I Pray for those of us who has strayed from You and who are no longer hearing from You; that today, whatever we need to do so that we can come back to Speaking Tetms, You will help us to do it Lord.

Thank You Almighty God.

For in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Again, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ today.

Please look for the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you and asked the Pastor what you should do next - They will guide you.

And I'm sure that I will hear from you soon.

God Bless You!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 39 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 26) - "BACK TO SQUARE - PART 2 (BACK TO GOD).

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 18TH FEBRUARY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 8: 1-2

Let Us Pray!

SONG

Immortal God
Invincible God
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

The King of Kings
The Lord of Lords
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

OPENING PRAYER

Immortal, Invincible, the Only Wise God; the One who lives forever - Our Father, we Worship You.

We want You to know that we are Proud of You - There is no Father like You; You are the Almighty, You are the All Sufficient God, all Power belongs to You.

Father, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

We are here before You today Lord, Please speak to us again, let us hear Your Voice and do something Mighty in all our lives.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, we are going on to Part 39 in our Study of the Life of Joshua as an Example of Someone for whom the Heavens Open and a very Good Example of Divine Repositioning!

The Bible Text that we started looking at Last Series is in Joshua 8: 1-2:

1. And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the People of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his People, and his City, and his Land:

2. And thou shalt do to Ai and her King as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a Prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the City behind it.

If we read this Passage gently, we will see several beautiful things that God said to Joshua.

For Example, He asked him to:

I. Fear Not - We will come to that in one of the Series.

II. Don't be dismayed.

III. Take all the People of war with thee and arise and go up to Ai.

III. Then God said: See, I have given to thee the King of Ai.

IV. Then God said: See, I have given into thy hand the King of Ai and his People and this City and his Land - That is a lot of Giving.

V. And then God went on to say that thou shalt do to Ai and her King as thou didst unto Jericho and her Kings - That is a Great Promise.

VI. But God didn't stop there, He said that you wipe out Ai but the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a Prey for yourselves - That means any Money or Good Thing you find there, I'm not even asking you to bring them to me like you did in Jericho. You can keep it.

VII. And then of course, God said: Lay thee an ambush for the City behind it.

... Quite a lot of beautiful things here!

You know that in the Last Series, we spoke about: "Back To Square One" - We told you about how beautiful "Back To Square One" could mean.

But here for Joshua, it is actually "Back to God" - The Square One here as far as Joshua was concerned was "Back to God".

Because you see in Joshua Chapter 7; when Joshua suffered that "Humiliating Defeat" and he fell

on his face in Agony, afraid, the future completely uncertain.

When God spoke to him, He said that I am not going with you anymore.

I mean what is Life if you have to live it without God?

How terrible can situation be when God used to be your Partner and your Partner now says: I am no longer going with you?

How am I going to face the future?

When I was a Messenger and You choose me and made me Head of State and You Promised me that no Man will be able to Stand before me all the days of my Life; that as You were with Moses, You will be with me.

And now You say: No more!

You can imagine the situation Joshua was in Joshua Chapter 7.

You can imagine the reason why they violently dealt with Achan.

If you used to hear from God and you no longer hear from Him; let me tell you the Plain Truth, it is better to die.

I have told you the Story before but I need to tell you that again today because it is very, very important so that you can learn a Lesson.

I told you that when I joined The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG), and I became a Worker in a hurry; I became the Interpreter - The Translator for my father-in-the-Lord because as at that time, I was the most Educated in the Church. But not now again.

And there were many other Interpreters - Many other People who could translate from Yoruba to English and vice versa.

And because all the Pastors realised that the old Man had chosen me to be his Interpreter, they left me alone to him. And whenever any other Pastor wanted to Preach, they will take another Interpreter.

And unknown to be, I became arrogant - I have become the Big Man, the Interpreter for the General Superintendent

And then one day, one Pastor - I don't know what got into him; came to me and said: Brother, you are Interpreting for me today.

Ha, I was furious - I didn't show it but I was. Didn't he know that I am as it were Set Aside for the General Superintendent?

I interpreted for him because in The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG), a Worker doesn't say no sir to the Pastor - You don't dare.

But if he knew what was going on in my Mind, he would have asked me to go and sit down and take Somebody else.

We finished the Sermon and I was on my way to my car when God spoke to me and said: Son, so you are now "Too Big" to Interpret for my Servant?

And from that moment onwards, the Heaven Closed.

And one of the Blessings that I have enjoyed as a Young Christian was the ability to hear from God.

Oh, I will be going to Church on Sunday Morning; before I get to Church, God will tell me who will be the Preacher, what he will be Preaching on, the Bible Passages he will use - I knew the Sermon before I get to Church.

That was my Relationship with Him!

But after that day, God kept quiet - I'm telling you that it wasn't long before the devil realised that I wasn't hearing from God anymore and he tortured me.

I Prayed, I Fasted, I Cried to God and God was Silent.

Until one day I said in desperation that: Father, begin to speak to me again and if I am going to offend you again tomorrow, take me away today!

God knew that He got me - God knew that I was willing to do to myself what they did to Achan. And He began to speak to me from then.

And He is still speaking to me till today!

I'm Praying for you that if you have been on Speaking Terms with God and you had strayed and He is no longer talking to you; I Pray that the Almighty God will help you to do whatever you need to do so that He can restore you to Speaking Terms with Him in Jesus Name - Amen!

Now, Joshua was back to Square One - He went back to God; the One who called him Originally.

The One who spoke to him in Joshua 1: 1-9 - Hey Joshua, my Servant Moses is dead; now you rise up, you will continue where Moses failed and then gave him many, many Great Promises.

Back to God for Joshua means:

1. NO MORE FAILURES

Oh, I am Praying for everyone of you listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC that this Day, will mark the end of Failures in your lives - Amen!

Because if you are "Back to God" according to Philippians 4:13 - You can do All things through Christ who will be Strengthening you.

... No More Failures!

Life can be fantastic if you know that for the rest of your Life; you are not going to fail again - Amen!

Failure is not a Pleasant Thing at all:

- You have never seen a Student who will shout Hallelujah because he failed an Examination.
- You will never see a Man of God in the real sense of the word, who will Pray for the Sick and the Sick will die; who will say: Glory be to God!

And in the Name that is above every other name; you will never fail again - Amen!

2. But it is more than Failure - It actually means: NO MORE DEFEAT.

It means that any battle that you fight from now on, you will win!

You see, there is a difference between Faith and Defeated!

If you want to find an illustration of this;, you look at the Story of the Man by the Pool of Bethesda - You will find that Story in John 5: 1-14.

It tells us the Story of many People by the Pool of Bethesda, that once a Year, an Angel will come and stir up the Pool and the first fellow to get in; gets an Healing.

And there was this Man who had been there for thirty eight (38) years; and when Jesus Christ got to him and said: Man, will you be made Whole?

Listen to what he said:

He said that I have tried for thirty eight (38) years, I have failed for thirty eight (38) years and the reason I failed was because Somebody got in before me.

... I was defeated for thirty eight (38) years.

When we are talking about Defeat, we are talking about other Forces other than yourself being responsible for your Failure!

"Ordinary Failure" means that you tried on your own and you failed

If the Man had said: I have tried for thirty eight (38) years but before I get to the Pool, I was tired
- That would have been Personal Failure.

But Somebody got in there before me means that I have Competitors who caused me to fail.

But the Bible says in Romans 8:31 - If God be for us, who can be against us?

I Pray for all of you listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC - No more Defeat in Jesus Name (Amen).

3. It means to Joshua: NO MORE LOSSES

Because the Defeat that he suffered in Joshua Chapter 7, led to losses - Not Ordinary Losses but Loss of Lives.

- Several families lost their Breadwinners because of the sin of Achan.

- Several wives became Widows because of the sin of Achan.

- Several children became Orphans (They lost their fathers) because of the sin of Achan.

- Joshua lost his Joy, lost his Confidence, lost his Past Victories because the Victory in Jericho became Nothing because of the defeat in Ai.

And God is now saying to him - I will restore unto you Victory. Just like You did to Jericho, I am going to allow you to do the same thing to Ai and you are not going to lose anymore.

You know when you read Malachi 3: 8-12; you will see that regardless of what anybody might want to say against your Payment of Tithes; that you suffered a lot if you failed to do so.

Because not only did God says that you will be under a Curse;

I. He says that if you do what I asked you to do, you won't suffer any more losses - That is one of the things He said.

II. He said that everything that you have lost, He says that I will restore unto you.

III. He said that I will rebuke all those Cankeworms, and all those Pests that has been draining your Resources.

IV. He said that I will bless you so much that even the world will begin to look at you and wonder.

You know - You don't know what you have until you have lost it!

I Pray for you today that you will never suffer a loss again - Amen!

And one of the Problems with losses is that some of the losses cannot even be regained.

I mean for Example, all those People who died at the first attack on Ai; even now that Achan is dead, they didn't come back to Life - They were dead and dead.

There are some losses that once you loss it, you can't get it back again!

Oh I Pray in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ, no more losses for you - No more losses Physical, Material, Marital and Spiritual (Amen).

And I Prayed like Someone who has suffered a loss can Pray - In the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ, none of you will ever loss your child (Amen).

4. And so, God was saying to Joshua: NO MORE SORROW

I wasn't there but you can be sure that Joshua wasn't smiling that Day during the first attack - He wasn't Laughing or Praising God.

Even though the details were not given to us, when he fell on his face down there; only God knows how much tears that he shed.

And God made a Promise in Isaiah 25:8 - He said that God will wipe away all tears from your eyes.

And He added something - He said that you will suffer no more disgrace.

Do you know that God was saying to Joshua - No More Disgrace?

The Elders has a saying that on some Special occasions, it is better to die than to be disgraced because disgrace brings Shame!

- And some Shame can be very terrible.

- There are some Shames that you can't hide.

5. And then He was saying: NO MORE FALLING ON YOUR FACE IN AGONY

Fantastic results of Restitution is that you don't have to fall down on your face in Agony!

You know that in Deuteronomy 33:27; the Bible tells us that underneath are the Everlasting Arms.

If you are restored back to God, then you don't have to fall on your face again.

Because even if anything tried to trip you, the Everlasting Arms will be there to Support you.

If you are back to Speaking Terms with the Almighty God, His Arms will be there to make sure that you won't fall.

6. It is another way of saying: ENEMIES DON'T REJOICE OVER ME - IF I FALL, I WILL RISE AGAIN

One should spend some Quality Time, thinking of all the Joy of Restitution.

It Nothing at all, it brings you back to Joy - It gives you several Glorious Things that you have Lost!

7. And what God was saying in essence is that: A NEW RIVER NOW WILL BEGIN TO FLOW.

Isaiah 43:19; the Almighty God says: Hey, don't worry about the Past Things, now I will do a New Thing, I will bring forth Rivers in the Desert.

A New Thing - Rivers will now begin to flow where there was Desert before!

And you know what that means?

New Rivers beginning to flow means: "New Hope".

He said to Joshua: Don't be dismayed, don't lose Hope - Hope is rising now!

You know that the Bible says in Ecclesiastes 9:4 - It says that you are still Breathing. There is Hope for you because a Living Dog is better than a Dead Lion.

Yes, you have suffered a defeat; yes you are disgraced, yes you have suffered losses, yes you have been defeated but Joshua, you are still alive and a Living Dog is better than a Dead Lion.

Yes what happened was bad, but it didn't take your Life.

And so, I am saying to Somebody who Probably like Joshua - You have suffered losses, you have failed, you have been defeated, you have been disgraced and now, you are in Sorrow; hey Cheer Up, you are still Breathing.

Remember that the Almighty God said that: Let all things that has Breadth Praise the Lord!

As long as you have Restituted your ways, don't be dismayed; your Tomorrow will be alright - Amen!

8. When there is a New River flowing, then as they will say among the Elders: A NEW RIVER WILL MEAN A NEW FISH

It means that Emptiness will be replaced with Fullness!

It means that everything will now begin to Increase - That your Multiplication will begin!

Because you will see what God said here - He said: Hey, this time around, when you go to Ai, I'm not even going to create a Problem for you; there will be no need for anybody to steal because whatever you get there you can keep.

I allowed you to keep all the Wealth, all the Garment, all the animals.

... I'm telling you - That a New River is flowing and the River will not be Empty!

9. But of course, He is saying to Joshua: THERE IS A NEW BEGINNING BECAUSE I'M SURE YOU WILL NO LONGER FORGET WHO IS IN-CHARGE

Because you went to Ai without Consulting me.

When you are going to deal with Jericho, remember that you were Surveying Jericho and I came and you fell down before me and I gave you Instructions,

You win and now you thought that you are the one who can do all these things - That's why you went to Ai without coming back to me to say: Lord, what next.

I hope you have learnt your Lessons:

I. I hope that you have learnt that without me, you can do Nothing.

And I hope all those of you who are listening to me or reading now on the Label of DMC are Paying attention to that.

Because in John 15:5; the Lord made it clear - Without me, you can do Nothing,

II. I hope that you will know that I am the Only One Supplying you the Strength.

III. I hope that you will know that it is only those who wait upon the Lord that will renew their Strength - According to Isaiah 40: 28-31.

So my Beloveth Children - My Beloveth Brothers and Sisters, when you Restitute your Ways and the Lord restores you to Himself; Great Things will follow but Please never forget the Great Lesson - "WITHOUT GOD, YOU AND I ARE NOTHING".

Never again, do anything; never again undertake any Project without Consulting God because He is the Source of our Strength, He is the Source of our Success and He is the Source of our Glory!

ALTAR CALL

As for those of you who has not given your Life to Jesus Christ - You think that you can live your Life on your own?

You might be heading for very serious trouble.

I appealed to you today - Run to Jesus Christ, Surrender your Life to Him, make Him Your Senior Partner and then you will never know Failure again, and you will never know defeat again and you will never know losses again.

So, if you want to give your Life to Jesus Christ, Please bow your Head wherever you are and I will Pray with you so that the Almighty God can begin to hold you by the Right Hand and begin to lead you on. And your Future can become Bright.

Shall we Pray?

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

Almighty God, the owner of Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow - I Thank You once again for Your Words.

I give You all Glory and Honour for all those who has made up their Minds to Surrender their lives to You Today.

Father, Please receive them, have Mercy on them, let Your Blood wash away all their sins and give them a Brand New Beginning.

Receive them into the Family of God and from now on, whenever they cry unto You; answer them by Fire.

Father, I'm Praying for all Your Children Today all over the world; Please Lord, let there be "No More Losses" in our lives; "No More Failures" "No More Defeats"; "No More Disgrace"; "No More Shame" and "No More Attempting anything again without Consulting You".

Thank You Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well again, I'm rejoicing with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ - I Promise you that by the Special Grace of God, I will be Praying for you from now on.

So, if you will Please Consult the Pastor of the nearest The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you; he will tell you what to do next.

And you Contact me and I Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

It will be well with you in Jesus Name - Amen

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 40 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 27): "FEAR NOT".

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 25TH FEBUARY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 8: 1-2

Let Us Pray!

SONG

There is None Holy as the Lord
There is None beside thee
Neither is there are any Rock like our God
There is Nine Holy as the Lord

OPENING PRAYER

The Holy One of Israel - We Worship You.

There is None like You - You are Glorious in Holiness, You are Fearful in Praises; You are a Wonder Working God.

We bless Your Holy Name - Please accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Father, Your Children are Gathered here today to hear Your Words; Please Speak to us; give us the "Hearing Ear", send Your Words to us Lord and Perform Miracles in all our lives.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

We are moving on to Part 40 in our Series and we are still looking at the same Bible Text - Joshua 8: 1-2.

Joshua 8:1-2:

1. And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear Not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the People of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his People, and his City, and his Land:

2. And thou shalt do to Ai and her King as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a Prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the City behind it.

There is something called "The Law of Priority" - It means what is Uppermost in your Heart is what you will attend to first.

You know that the Bible says that out of the Abundance of the Heart, the mouth speaketh.

So when out of the Abundance of your Heart your mouth is about to speak, what your mouth will speak first will be what will be a Priority among all the other things that you are going to say.

The first thing God said to Man in Genesis 1: 26-28 is: "Be Fruitful". Then He went on to say Multiply et cetera et cetera.

... Be Fruitful - That is the Priority!

Even on the basis of that alone, I have the Privilege of decreeing to all those of you who are Trusting God for the Fruit of the Womb, You will not die barren - Amen!

Now, the first thing that God said to Joshua here is: "Fear Not".

Now, God will only say to you "Fear Not" only when there is something to Fear - When you have reasons to Fear.

I mean like I have always told you - If you see an Angel for the first time, you will be afraid I guaranteed you because an Angel is not that Picture that you see, maybe with Wings. That is Demons.

An Angel is huge - If you want to know how big an Angel can be; you know the Plane called 747? An Angel can carry a 747 Plane on the Palm of his hands like a toy. That is how big an Angel can be.

DMC NOTES: The Boeing 747 is a large, long-range wide-body airliner manufactured by Boeing Commercial Airplanes in the United States. After introducing the 707 in October 1958, Pan Am wanted a jet 2+1/2 times its size, to reduce its seat cost by 30% to democratize air travel.

There is no Human Being that will see Somebody that Big and will not be afraid.

So, the first thing that an Angel will say to you is: "Fear Not" because you have something to fear.

In the case of Joshua - Put yourself in the shoes of Joshua: If you are Someone that had thought

that you can never, never fail and you can never be defeated and all of a sudden, you found yourself flat on your face; then you will be afraid.

I have told you in the Past that if you fight against God, you will loss.

There is Nobody who can fight against God and win - That is Simple.

But I have also told you that if God is Neutral - If He is not fighting you but He is not Helping you as well, then you will loss.

And Joshua had discovered that in a very Dramatic Mannner and he was afraid.

Okay, I have Restituted my ways o - I have killed Achan; Oh God what next? What is my future going to be like?

I Pray once again - From this moment onwards, you will never suffer another defeat (Amen).

So, God said: Alright, let us begin where we should begin - "Fear Not".

I Pray for all of us who has something to fear right now; in the Name that is above every other name, whatever is causing your Fear will disappear - Amen

Fear is a Terrible Thing - It is a Tormentor!

1 John 4:18 says: Fear has torment.

When Somebody is afraid, he is like Somebody who is bring Tormented - Someone who has a Problem and the Problem is tormenting you.

You have a situation that you can't handle, a situation you can't deal with on your own, a situation when you don't know what is going to happen next - That can be tormenting!

And "Fear Not" is the opposite of Faith!

... And we really need to understand what Fear is!

Today, I Pray that the Almighty God will give me the Ability to really explain to you what Fear is so that you won't fear anymore.

Fear is the opposite of Faith - It is based on whose Reports are you going to believe. That is the Foundation of Fear!

Are you going to believe the Report of the Lord or are you going to believe the Report of the

Devil? - That is what determines whether you have Faith or Fear!

Isaiah 53:1 says: Who has believed our Report;; to whom has the Hand of the Lord been revealed?

1. Whose Report are you going to believe because Fear is actually saying: You can believe the Report of the Devil.

But why should you believed the Report of the Devil?

Afterall, you should know John 8:44 tells us that Satan is a liar - Not Ordinary liar but the father of lies. He is Lying Personified.

It is Satan who says: Ha, you are in trouble; Ha, you are not going to escape this one; Hey, you are caught now. It is Satan that says that there is no future for you.

But he is a liar and so as a Child of God, don't believe Satan but believe God instead.

2. Whose Report are you going to believe? Is it the Report of the Devil or the Report of Men?

The Doctors said that you have Cancer, it is Stage 4, it has spread and there is Nothing more that we can do - Whose Report are you going to believe? Is that the Report of the Lord?

Don't you know that it is written in Romans 3: 3-4 - The Bible says: Hey, let all Men be liars but let God be True.

The Report of God is what is so important!

Oh, the Specialist has spoken! Ha, haven't you read that in Jeremiah 17:5 that Curse is the Man who put his Trust in Man; Curse is the Man who made the arms of the flesh his Own Support.

Yes, Science may say some things, but what is God saying?

Faith says: I believe God's Reports; Fear says: I believe the Reports of Man.

I'm sure that those of you who are old will remember the Story of one of my children who was a Soap Maker.

And on a Saturday Night, because he knew that he won't be coming to work on Sunday, decided to mix the Chemicals that he will use for his Soap Making the following Monday and in the Process, he fell and a bowl of Acid fell and splashed on his face.

And he was in Agony for hours because everybody had closed; until a Man was Passing by and

saw the door of his Factory opened and he went in and saw him on the Ground and they rushed him to the Hospital.

And after the Doctors had treated him, the Doctor began to ask him Questions - Have you a Child? - Yes; Old enough to how many years Old? - He said Yes. And so on and so forth.

He finally asked the Doctor - Why are you asking all these Questions? The Doctors said because you will never see again. The acid had already eaten up your eyes and so you will be needing Somebody who will be leading you in the hand from now on.

And he said to the Doctor - Is that so? And the Doctor said without any doubt..

And he said Thank You very much; could you help me a little further? Get me a Taxi and let them take me to the Redemption Camp - Let me go to my father-in-the-Lord, let me go and hear the Report of the Lord.

And they brought him here (Redemption Camp) - And I'm telling you that when I saw his face, even my own Faith shook but I had to put up a bold face and Pray that there is Nothing God cannot do.

And I'm saying to Somebody here today listening to me or reading now on the Label of DMC - Your own case will not be impossible with God (Amen).

And we Prayed a Simple Prayer - We cried to the Almighty God, the Maker of Eyes and that Man lived for several more years without using Glasses.

The Almighty God who can restore; the One who can reverse the Irreversible is the One whose Reports you should believe!

And His Report to you today is that - That thing that you considered Irreversible, shall be reversed - Amen!

Who is Stronger - Is it the Devil or God?

Because Jeremiah 32:27, the Almighty God said - Behold, I am the God of all flesh, is anything "Too Hard" for me?

In Luke 1:37; the Almighty God said in His Word - For with God, Nothing shall be Impossible!

And the meaning of "Nothing" is "Not A Thing" - You can't find "A Thing" that is "Too Hard" for God to do!

In Genesis 18: 9-14; God said to Abraham - Tell Sarah your wife: She is going to have a son in

nine (9) Months time and Sarah laughed.

And God said: Sarah, why are you laughing?

Sarah said that I didn't laugh! Why will I laugh? I am only 90 years old, my Husband is 100 and you are talking of us having a son?

Is that something to laugh about?

God said: Is there anything "Too Hard" for the Lord to do?

The Question is: Whose Report are you going to believe?

Your own Report that says that it is "Too Late" for you or the Report of the Almighty God - The God of all flesh.

Who is Stronger - You or God?

If God says that I can do it, then it is done!

I am Praying for all of you who are facing what looks like Impossibilities; even before the end of this Month; you will have cause to shout Hallelujah - Amen!

Who is the Most Influencer?

Because when we are talking of whose Report you will believe, the issue of Influence can Play a Part.

I mean that you can go to Court and the High Court can say that you are Guilty.

You can go to the Appeal Court, the Appeal Court can say: Hey, you are free to go.

Or both the High Court and Appeal Court can say that you are Guilty but the Supreme Court can say: Don't mind them.

And if the Supreme Court says: Hey, you are Discharged and Acquitted; no High Court Judge can say No.

Why? Influence! Someone is higher than Someone else!

Who is the Highest?

Psalms 91:1 says: He that dwelleth in the Secret Place of the Most High - That is talking about

God.

Ecclesiastes 5:8 says: He is Higher than the highest.

If you can think of anybody who you think is the highest; there is Somebody higher than him still - That's the Almighty God and it is His Report that you should believe.

He is the One who said in Isaiah 66:1 - He said: Heaven is my Throne, the Earth is my Footstool.

That means that the "Highest Man" in the whole world; the Man with the "Highest Authority" on Earth, sitting on his "Highest Exalted" Throne - That Throne is still under the feet of the Almighty God.

That is why you shouldn't Fear because He is the Supreme God.

The Bible calls Him: "The Judge of the Universe" - His own Court is higher than any other Court anywhere!

Why should you not Fear? - Ask the Question: Who is All-Knowing?

Oh, the Devil may know a little bit about your future; but the Elders has a saying that: The High Priest of the Devil can see at least four (4) days ahead. That is why they had to check their Oracle every 5 days.

But the Almighty God knows the end from the Beginning.

Revelation 1:8, He says: I am the Alpha and the Omega, the One who was, the One who is and the One who is to come.

The Bible says in Acts 15:18 - It says: Known unto God are all His works from the Beginning of the Earth.

Isaiah 46: 9-10; the Almighty God says: I am God, there is None else - None like me.

He said that I declare the End from the Beginning - He is the Only One Person who knows your End. And He knows your End even from the Beginning.

He is the One whose Reports you should believe - He is the One who knows your tomorrow.

Who is Omnipresent? Who is the One who is everywhere at all times?

Oh as Fearful as the Devil may be to you, he can only be at one Place at a time.

But God is Ever Present - Anywhere you are, He is there.

Psalms 46:1 says: Our Ever Present Help Particularly in times of Trouble.

Oh, you may be in a Strange Land, He is there - Don't be afraid!

You may be in the Air - He is there!

You may be in the Sea - He is there.

... He is everywhere at all times - Don't be afraid.

Why the devil is walking seeking who he may devour; according to 1 Peter 5:8 - It says the Devil like a roaring Lion is walking about, seeking who he may devour.

The Bible tells us in 2 Chronicles 16:9 that the eyes of the Lord are running to and fro throughout the whole Earth, to show Himself Strong on behalf of those who are doing His Will.

Like Someone said - There are two (2) People: One is walking and the other is running; who is likely to arrive first?

So, you find yourself in trouble and the devil says: Hey, I have gotten you?

There is Somebody who is running, who has seen what is about to happen before they could happen.

David said something in Psalms 23:4 - He said though I walk in the Valley of the Shadow of Death; I will fear no evil.

Somebody explained that the reason that there is a Shadow is because there is a Sun Shinning!

And the Almighty God is the Sun of Righteousness - Malachi 4:2.

So, if all of a sudden, you see yourself in the Shadow of Death, don't be afraid - This Shadow can only appear because the Sun is there.

And that Fellow went on to say: Oh, the Lion can kill but the Shadow of a Lion is harmless.

The Shadow will not harm you - It can't harm you because of the Sun of Righteousness.

The Sun of Righteousness is always there by your side Shinning.

Why should you be afraid when God is on your side?

Have you forgotten that He is a Miracle Worker?

Isaiah 9:6 says that His Name is Wonderful - Full of Wonders,

Exodus 15:11 says who is like unto thee Oh God - Glorious in Holiness, Fearful in Praises and doing Wonders.

Daniel 6: 25-27 - Even an Idol Worshipping King said - There is no God like the God of Daniel.

He said that this God can deliver, He can rescue, He can Perform Wonders in Heaven and on Earth.

So, God is saying to Somebody today - "Fear Not". Just believe in me.

He went on to tell him (Joshua) if you read further - He said I am your God; He said: "Fear Not".

And so, I'm saying to all Children of God today - Put Fear away from you!

You know that I came to live in the Redemption Camp almost forty (40) years ago now - I came with my wife and my little children to come and live in a Jungle surrounded by Pythons, Poisonous Snakes; by a High Way that was Notorious for High Way Robbers,

As a matter of fact, Redemption Camp then was in a Jungle which was the Headquarters of High Way Robbers because when we were walking through the bush, we saw where the High Way Robbers used to come and open the boxes they stole from the People they robbed.

Somebody said: How could you do that? Are you not afraid?

Ha, I have discovered that if God is on your side, there is Nothing to fear.

It is God who Pointed out this Jungle for me and said: Hey, that is the City that I Promised you and I am with you.

And if God is with you, who can be against you?

I am crying to God to those of you who are my Children that from now on, you will only believe the Report of the Lord and you won't believe the Report of the Devil.

You won't even believe the Report of the Best Physicians as you will believe only the Report of the Lord!

And the Report of the Lord is saying: It shall be well with you and He will be with you!

Achan is gone now and from now on, it is going to be well with you.

ALTAR CALL

As for those of you who has not yet given your Life to Jesus Christ; you have cause to be afraid o!

Because Jesus Christ said that those who are not with me are against God.

And if you are against God, you are in Trouble - Serious Trouble.

If you are against God, you can't win.

So Please, Surrender to God now - If you Surrender to Him, He will take care of you.

So, those of you who wants to give your Life to Jesus Christ, if you will bow your Head wherever you are now or reading now on the Label of DMC and cry to God; I will Pray with you and He will save your Soul.

Let Us Pray!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

Ancient of Days, I want to Thank You once again for Your Words and I want to Thank for the Assurance that we have Nothing to Fear.

I Thank You for those who has made up their Mind that they will Surrender to You.

Father, Please receive them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away their sins, bring them into the Family of God and from now on, keep them from Evil.

Anytime that they cry unto You, Please answer them by Fire.

And all of us who are Your Children, I Pray that from now on, we will never know Fear again.

Thank You Almighty God.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Once again, I'm rejoicing with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ.

I want to assure you that God helping me, from now on I will be Praying for you.

And so, you get in Contact with me as soon as Possible.

And visit the nearest The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you and ask the Pastor there - What do I do next that I'm Born Again and he will tell you.

And I Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

It will be well with you in Jesus Name - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 41 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA -

PART 28): "NEITHER BE THOU DISMAYED"

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BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 8: 1-2

Let Us Pray!

SONG

We are Serving the Living God
We are Serving the Living God
We are Serving the Living God everyday.

OPENING PRAYER

Our Father and our God, we Worship You.

We know without any doubt that You are Greater than the Greatest; You are Higher than the Highest; You are Stronger than the Strongest.

We Thank You because we know that You Control Today, Tomorrow and Everyday of our lives.

We are very, very Grateful that we have You at our back and so we have Nothing to be afraid of because You are there for us.

So Father, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Your Children are here today again; my Father and my God in Your Own Miraculous Way, send Help to all of us and let it be well with us Oh Lord.

At the end of everything, let Your Name be Glorified.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, we move on to Part 41 in our Study on: "For Whom The Heavens Opens" using Joshua as our Case Study!

And we are reminding ourselves that Joshua is also a very Good Example of Divine

Repositioning.

The Last Time we spoke, we were discussing Joshua 8: 1-2 - And that is where we will still be Continuing today and maybe in another couple or so of weeks.

Joshua 8:1-2:

1. And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou Dismayed: take all the People of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his People, and his City, and his Land:

2. And thou shalt do to Ai and her King as thou didst unto Jericho and her King: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the City behind it.

... "Fear Not, Neither be Thou Dismayed" - We may just stop there today and just continue from there Next Time.

God spoke to Joshua - Joshua was back to talking terms with God and God said to him first and foremost: "Fear Not".

And we learnt last time that Fear is the opposite of Faith and it is a way of saying that you believed the devil rather than God or you believed the Report of Man rather than the Report of the God of all Flesh.

And so, we can see that Fear is a Tormentor - It is actually meant for those who don't have Faith in God; who is the Almighty.

The God who is Higher than the Highest, who has the Greatest Influence in the whole Universe; the Almighty God who can Perform Wonders and God who is everywhere at all times.

So, we have discovered that a True Child of God has Nothing to Fear because wherever he/she may be, the Almighty God is there to take care of the situation.

But the Next Thing that God said is: "Neither Be Thou Dismayed".

The word that we want to look at today is the word "Dismayed".

The word Dismayed according to 2 Samuel 4:1 - Actually means: "Courage has Failed".

We are not talking of Fear now:

- We are talking of feeling Completely Helpless.

- We are talking of a word like Dismantled.
- You are not just afraid but the matter is even a bit worst and you become like a Vegetable.
- Your Strength is gone and the desire to move forward is no more.
- Dismayed is a word in the same Category as: Discouraged, Despondent - Meaning Overwhelmed with Sorrow, In Despair or in its worst form as Hopeless.

You see the word Dismayed in the situation of Elijah in 1 Kings 19: 1-8 - When Elijah having waited in the Presence of God for years:

I. When we first met him in 1 Kings 17:1; he was boasting that as the Lord God of Israel liveth, before whom I Stand.

That was the Man that we have never met before but he told us boldly that I'm coming from the Presence of God.

II. And he decreed that the Heavens be shut and the Heavens obeyed him - For years, no Rain.

III. He obeyed God when God said: Go and hide - He went and hid by the Brooks of Cherry.

IV. He obeyed God when God said: Hey, go and stay with a Widow.

V. He obeyed God when God said: Alright now, you can go and show yourself to the King.

VI. And he left that Wonderful confrontation on Mount Carmel - He finished all the Prophets of Baal in one Mighty move of the Almighty God.

VII. He Prayed and Fire fell.

VIII. He Prayed and Rain fell.

IX. He ran faster than the Chariots of the King Triumphantly - Coming from the Mountain Top to the Valley.

X. And then he arrived - And what did he met; Jezebel sent to him and said: By tomorrow; you will be Dead.

... After all I have done for God, is this how I'm going to end?

The Bible said that he ran and kept running for days!

By the time he got to that Juniper Tree, he was Dismayed! - What next now Oh Lord? Why waste Time anymore? Let me just die!

That is a very Good Illustration of what it is to be Dismayed!

Oh, I Pray in the Name that is above every other names; that if anyone of you is in that kind of situation; my God will arise for you today - Amen!

Because it took a Double Visitation from God to get Elijah going again,

- God sent an Angel to bring him food the first time. He ate and wasn't Strong enough to continue the Journey.

- So, God brought him another Meal from Heaven.

We are going to look at the Word "Dismayed" using the worst kind or worst Interpretations of the word - Which is "Hopeless".

If you look at your Life and the situation seems to be very, very Hopeless; I have Good News for you: Because as long as you are still Breathing, there is Hope for you!

1. You need to know that some Good and Great Things takes Time!

The Bible tells us in James 5:7 - It tells us about a Farmer/Husbandman; how he must wait Patiently for the Seed to become a Fruit.

So maybe you have been waiting; you have been Fasting and the Result(s) is/are not here and you are just about to "Give Up" - Just take Note that some Great Things takes Time to Produce!

I have given the Illustration before - When you Plant a Maize, you will Harvest within three (3) Months. But if you Plant Cocoa, you will have to wait for years before it will begin to Produce.

Why? Because Cocoa is far, far more Precious than Maize.

And for further Illustration; the Maize once you cut it down, that is the end of the Story - You Harvest Maize only once.

But for Cocoa, once it begins to Produce, it will Produce for a Lifetime.

2. Another thing that you need to Note why you should not loose Hope and Patiently waiting for God even if He seems to be delaying is that: The Bigger the Problem, the Bigger the Testimony!

In Genesis 21: 1-7 - We see Sarah speaking.

You know Sarah, you know when God Paid her a visit in Genesis 18: 9-14.

By the time God said Sarah will have a son; you know that she Laughed - That is the Laughter of Somebody who is already Dismayed or Someone who was saying to the Almighty God: Let's forget this joke.

When you made this Promise 25 years ago, it was easy to believe You but now, You enjoyed my Meal. Thank You very much - Just say Thank You and go. Don't bother me anymore!

But in Genesis 21: 1-7; she said that God has made me to Laugh!

She said something - She said: Who would have thought that Sarah will give suck to children? Who would have thought that Milk will flow from the breast of a Woman who is already over 90 years Old.

... The Bigger the Problem, the Bigger the Testimony!

You can understand what happened in Exodus 15: 1-21 - You will see the Beautiful Song that Moses and the children of Israel sang after they escaped from Pharaoh and his Host.

You need to know how Big was their Terror the Night before:

I. They had been in Bondage for more than 400 years and they have never learnt how to fight.

II. Even if they had learnt how to fight, they had no Weapons.

III. And the Greatest Army in the whole world was Marching after them with Horses and Chariots.

IV. The People they thought that they were free from were here again.

Oh the Night before, they were Dismayed - They were not just afraid, they had become like Jelly.

But then the Almighty God moved - And in a Single Sweep of the Power of the Almighty God, the Enemies they had seen that Night, they never saw them again by the Following Morning!

Moses was not a Musician but that Morning, he Composed a Song.

I have Good News for Somebody who is almost Completely Hopeless now - In the Name that is above every other name; by tomorrow you will be Singing (Amen).

3. And occasionally, the Almighty God will delay because He wants to do something Extraordinary, something Big and something that will show the world how Mighty He is.

When you considered what happened in Mark 5: 35-45 - The daughter of Jairus had just died and Jesus Christ went there and woke her up.

Some People said that this is not a Miracle - Didn't you hear Him; He said the girl wasn't dead but Sleeping.

What is a Miracle in waking up Somebody who is Sleeping?

And then God said alright; maybe we will wait and see one fellow who is not just Sleeping but on the way to the Burial Ground.

In Luke 7: 11-15 - The Story of the Son of the Widow of Nain.

They were already on their way to bury the boy - He hasn't just died, he wasn't in a coma like the People said in the case of the daughter of Jairus.

And then, God raised up the boy and some People said that the boy was in a "Deep Coma" - And so, as he was being taken to the Burial Ground, Fresh Air blew on him and Jesus Christ just came at the right time when the boy was about to wake up and so it was just mere coincidence.

That is why when you get to John 11: 1-44 - When they came to call the Lord Jesus Christ and they said that the Man whom You love is Sick. He said that the Sickness is not unto Death but so that God will be Glorified.

The Bible said that He waited where He was for 4 Days - He was simply saying: This one, it won't be that he is asleep or in a coma; it will be Someone who is not just buried but had been there for 4 Days in the Grave rotten.

When I bring this one back to Life, then the whole world will know that there is Someone called the Resurrection and the Life.

4. Occasionally, God deliberately delays so that when He finally moves, the whole world will know that: Only God can Possibly do this!

So, if you feel that God has delayed too long and you are beginning to be Dismayed; just take Note:

I. There is a God whose Promises are always Yea and Amen.

2 Corinthians 1:20 says: All the Promises of God in the Lord Jesus Christ are Yea and Amen.

II. Remember that there is a God who never lies.

Number 23:19 - The God you serve is not a Man that He should lie, neither the Son of Man that He should Repent.

If God has said anything concerning your case; Relax He won't lie and He won't fail you.

III. Remember that there is a God who Controls Times and Seasons.

Daniel 2: 20-21 - The God that you are Serving Controls Times and Seasons.

Oh, you say that my Time has Passed! Who told you?

My Season has gone and it is not Possible for me to get the kind of Miracles that I have been Praying for! Who told you?

Some of you heard the Testimony of a Lady who came from America to visit her Siblings in London and we are having a Holy Ghost Service and she came with them.

And the Word of God came just as the Service was on - God said that there is Somebody here that He has reduced the years by 10 years.

And she said Amen and turned to the Siblings and said: Don't call me Aunty anymore. I'm Younger than some of you now.

A few Minutes later the Almighty God spoke again and said: Hey, the Fellow that thought it is already "Too Late" to have a child, God is saying that I will surprise you.

And she said: God, how can you love me this much?

Brethren, just believe Him - When God speaks, it is done!

The following year, when that Lady returned to the Festival of Life (FOL) as they call the Holy Ghost Service (HGS) in London; she was carrying a 3 Months Old baby - Because there is a God who Controls Times and Seasons.

IV. There is a God who can make Dry Bones live again.

Please Note that everything written in the Bible is written for our Examples and Instructions.

Ezekiel 37: 1-10 - You know the Story of the Dry Bones.

When God asked the Man of God - The Prophet: Can these dry bones live again?

The Man of God said that it is even beyond his own Faith - He said God, only You can tell.

And God said alright, I will tell the Wind to blow. But you will do something for me - Just Prophesy to the dry bones.

And in the Name that is above all names; in the Name of the One who sent me: I Prophesy to all things in your Life that could represent dry bones and I say dry bones, live again - Amen!

Habbakuk 2:3 tells us that if God gives you a Vision, it may tarry but it will come to Past.

If God had given you a Dream and you think that the Dream is "Too Late" in coming to Past - The Dream of Greatness, the Dream of Success, the Dream that is even far, far beyond you. And you think that it is already "Too Late". As long as God is still on His Throne, when He gives you a Vision; He will bring it to Past - Amen!

5. So when God seems to be Silent - You have Prayed, you have Fasted and you have done everything you know how to do and Nothing seems to be happening. Hey, don't be Dismayed!

Because whenever God seems to be Silent, it is because He wants to do something Big!

You know the Story in Daniel 3: 1-end.

The Almighty God wasn't Sleeping:

- When they were binding Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego.
- When they were taking them to the Fiery Furnace; He wasn't Sleeping but just Silent.

Why? Because:

- He could have moved in even as the King was Commanding that they should bind them.
- He could have moved in and asked an Angel to go and wipe out the King and the Army in order to rescue His boys.

But He says: Hey, let's do something Bigger than that - My boys, come into the Fire and I will be there waiting for you.

And then, let us show this Idol Worshipping King that there is a God in the Heavens who is far, far bigger than his idols.

God wasn't Sleeping in Daniel 6: 1-end:

- When they were throwing Daniel to the Den of Lions.
- He could have Stopped the whole Show because He has the Ability to do so.

But He got more Glory when Daniel spent a whole Night in the Den of Lions and came out alive.

... He knew what He was doing!

6. So, if you think that your situation is "Too Critical" and you are about to feel Completely Dismayed - Remember 1 Kings 17: 8-16; in the Story of the Widow of Zarephath.

As she was going out to fetch two sticks to cook her Last Meal for herself and her son - As she was going, Help was already on the way,

God is the Ever Present Help in Times of Trouble!

God is never Late as He will come right on Time!

So, I'm rejoicing with those of you who are at the Point of "Giving Up" - That this Message is for you today. Don't loose Hope as your tomorrow will still be Alright (Amen)!

The only one that I can say really hasn't got a Hope is the one who is not connected to Jesus Christ!

Because according to Colossians 1:27 - It is only Christ in you that brings you the Hope of Glory.

So, if Christ is not in you; then you don't have the Hope of Glory.

But you can open your Heart to Him today and invite Him into your Life.

And immediately He comes into your Life, He will turn that Hopeless situation around.

ALTAR CALL

So, if you will want to Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ; wherever you may be or reading now on the Label of DMC, if you will bow your Head now and call on Him and ask Him to come into your Life; He will do so.

I will join you in Prayers now and God will give you a New Beginning.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

And so my Father and my God, I want to Thank You for Your Words.

I want to give You all the Glory and Honour Particularly for those of you who has decided that they want You to come into their lives so that they too now can have the Hope of Glory.

Father, Please receive them, have Mercy on them, save their Souls, write their names in the Book of Life Lord and Please Lord let their Future be alright.

As for those of you who for one reason or the other are just Dismayed; I Pray that You will come to our Help Speedily so that very soon, all our Problems will become Mighty Testimonies.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now I rejoice with those of you who has invited Jesus Christ into your Life today - I'm saying to you Congratulations!

I want to assure you that from now on, I will be Praying for you.

And I will ask you to go to the nearest The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you and ask the Pastor there that I have sent you and you want to know what to do next now that you are Born Again.

I will be hearing Good News from you soon!

God Bless You!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 42 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA -

PART 29): "IT IS TIME TO TRY AGAIN"

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 28TH APRIL 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 8:1

Let Us Pray:

Immortal God
Invincible God
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

The King of Kings
The Lord of Lords
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

Immortal God
Invincible God
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

Jehovah El-Shalom
The Prince of Peace
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

Immortal God
Invincible God
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

Jehovah El-Shaddai
The God is More Than Enough
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

OPENING PRAYER

Immortal, Invincible, the Only Wise God; the One who can do anything; with whom Nothing

shall be Impossible - We Worship You.

We Worship You because we have a Father - A Father who is the Father of all fathers; a Father who can never fail; the Everlasting Father - Father who never dies, a Father who never Changes Position, the Only Father who can say: My Name is "I AM". We Worship You - Please, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

We Thank You for all You have done for us in the Past; and we Thank You for what You will do for us in the Future - Please, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Please, visit us today and do something New in our lives.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, now we move on to the Part 42 of our Series: "For Whom The Heavens Open" as we continue to look at the Life of Joshua - Learning Lessons from Someone who could be used as an Example: "For Whom The Heavens Open" and a very Good Example too for Divine Transformation, Divine Transportation, Divine Humility and Divine Goodness and Mercy.

In the Last Series, we looked at Joshua Chapter 8 - And we read a little bit of Verse 1.

And we are going to read the whole of the Verse today - Joshua 8:1

And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the People of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the King of Ai, and his People, and his City, and his Land:

We have examined what God said to Joshua:

I. He told him not to Fear.

☆ Fear is not for a Child of God - We are not giving the Spirit of Bondage again to Fear but we have been given the Spirit of Adoption whereby we cry Abba Father.

☆ Fear is not for Children of God because our God is Greater than all the Enemies put together.

II. And He told him not to be Dismayed.

☆ Not to be Discouraged.

☆ Not to loose Hope.

☆ Not to become like a Vegetable.

But that he should now remember that he is now a Warrior.

And now, He is saying to him: Arise! It is time to go up again; it is time to fight again.

And He (God) told him (Joshua) - This time, you are going to win!

He told him - Hey, I can tell you; already the Victory is already yours:

☆ The King of Ai, I have handed him over to you.

☆ His People, I have handed them over to you.

☆ His Land, I have handed them over to you.

... I have given you everything that is in Ai.

I believed that God is saying to Someone here today or reading now on the Label of DMC - "IT IS TIME TO TRY AGAIN".

You have tried in the Past and you have failed; it is time to try again!

I. We have already learnt that we should not be afraid - Fear is not your Portion,

II. We have been told not to be Dismayed - Don't be Discouraged, Despaired, or Loose Hope.

III. And now, it is time to try again.

☆ And many atimes in our Journey in Life, we abandoned Projects because we have tried and the Project seems to have failed.

☆ And many atimes even the Projects that we abandoned are Projects that we Prayed about before we started them.

☆ Many atimes the Projects, we even get a Word of Prophecy before we started them.

But then, we have tried and we have failed - And the Almighty God is saying: "Try Again".

You remembered in Luke 5: 1-7 - When the Almighty God spoke to Peter to "Try Again". He

said: Ha, we have fished All-Night and caught Nothing.

But fortunately, he said: At Your Word, I will try again.

I'm Praying for everyone of you who have abandoned one Great Project or the other; the Grace to try again to have the "Biggest Breakthrough" in your Life, may God give it to you today - Amen!

You have to Note that in Life, occasionally you have to "Try Again" and Again and Again.

When People like me were in Secondary School, there is something that our Teachers used to say in those days:

"If you try and you failed; try and try and try again".

... They drum this into our "Little Heads" - And some of us has never forgotten.

When you go through the Scriptures, you will find out that there are some People who made "Mighty Breakthrough"; and who got Miracles that were recorded for Eternity - And they did not stopped after they failed the first time:

1. Take Moses for Example:

Moses tried ten (10) times before Pharaoh allowed the Children of Israel to leave.

And it was God who told Moses in Exodus Chapter 3 - Oh, I will be with you, you will go and bring out the Children of Israel and they will come and Worship me on this Mountain. God said that I will go with you.

And then Moses got there and he had to tried ten (10) times - And God was there all the time.

God could have Solved the Problem at the first time, but He choose to wait till Moses had Performed ten (10) Mighty Miracles.

I mean you know the Story:

☆ There was the Miracle of the Rod.

Moses threw his rod down and the Egyptian Magicians threw down their rods. All the rods became Serpents and there were Serpents all over the Place.

And then the Serpent of the rod of Moses swallowed up all the Serpents from the rod of the Egyptian Magicians.

I mean you would have thought that is enough to get any King to say alright o; it looks as if your God is Bigger than mine and so you better go.

☆ Then he Changed Water to Blood - There was no Water for anybody to drink for some time.

☆ Then Frogs came.

☆ Then Lice/Gnats.

☆ Then Flies.

☆ Then Livestock Pestilence.

☆ Then Boils.

☆ Then Hails.

☆ Then Locusts.

☆ Then Darkness that could be touched.

But it took the Death of the First Born to cause Pharaoh to say: Alright now, you can go.

DMC NOTES: You can read all these from Exodus; 7: 8-13; Exodus 7: 14-24; Exodus 8: 1-15; Exodus 8: 16-19; Exodus 8: 20-32; Exodus 9: 1-7; Exodus 9: 8-12; Exodus 9: 13-35; Exodus 10: 1-20; Exodus 10: 21-29 and Exodus 11: 1-10.

Moses could have said half way through - Lord, I have tried enough and so I'm not trying anymore.

His name won't have been in the Book of Life if he had done so!

... It is time to Try Again!

2. Remember the Story of Naaman in 2 Kings 5: 1-14.

A Man of God said to Naaman - Go and dip in River Jordan seven (7) times.

If he had stopped after six (6) times; he would have died a Leper because it was after the seventh (7th) time that he came up and his skin was like the skin of a New Born Baby.

I remembered years ago when my wife and I wanted something desperately.

We decided that we know what we will do - Afterall Jesus Christ Fasted for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights before His Breakthrough came.

We Fasted for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights and no Breakthrough came.

We started the Second Round for forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights and still no Breakthrough came.

We said alright, this third time I told my wife that you and I will follow to forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights; after that she will wait if we haven't gotten the result yet and I will continue.

forty (40) Days and forty (40) Nights came; I said okay dear you have done your bits, so you can break now and I will continue.

But she said: You continue and I will continue with you.

And when I saw how she was looking after forty two (42) Days and forty two (42) Nights; I said I don't want to kill another Person's daughter and so I broke.

But then, the Breakthrough came!

It is time to "Try Again" - You have tried, you have Fasted, you have Prayed and you haven't gotten the results yet; "Try Again".

3. Remember Elijah on Mount Carmel in 1 Kings 18: 41-45.

Here was a Man who Prayed for 2 Minutes - Check the Prayer of Elijah on Mount Carmel; it lasted approximately for 2 Minutes and Fire fell.

"Hear me Oh Lord, hear me; let these People know that You are the Lord God Almighty!

... Roughly, that was the Summary of his Prayer and Fire fell.

Now, he said that I have heard the Sound of Abundance of Rain - He said that he heard the Sound of Abundance of Rain.

Before the Competition on Mount Carmel; God had told him in 1 Kings 18:1 - The Lord said: Go and show yourself to Ahab and I will send Rain.

... God said so - He Promised.

☆ He had shown himself to Ahab.

☆ There had been a Competition - He had cried to that same Living God and Fire had fallen.

☆ Now, he heard the Sound of Abundance of Rain - And he said: Thank You Lord, Your Promise is about to be fulfilled.

But he Prayed the first time - No Rain; he Prayed the second time - No Rain.

... Poor Elijah!

He Prayed the third time - No Rain.

And that Great Man of God Probably sensed that I don't know what is going to happen now; when he fell on his face, the Bible says that he put his face between his legs.

He doesn't want to look at the Sky directly so that he will not be discouraged - God, You said there is going to be Rain; but now the whole Sky seems still very clear and there is no Sign of Rain.

And I'm going to Pray - I will put my face between my legs so that I won't see.

He kept sending his Servant seven (7) times.

You can't call yourself a Prayer Warrior and say that you are bigger than Elijah - You haven't called down Fire down from Heaven yet.

And believe me Honestly - The Almighty God is in Heaven, He is Alive and He is on His Throne. He hears Prayers and He is waiting for you just one more time.

Today and even as you are reading now on the Label of DMC; you will Pray one more Time and the door is going to open - Amen!

4. Remember the Story of Hannah in 1 Samuel 1: 1-20.

The Bible didn't tell us how many times that Hannah came to Shiloh, but she kept on coming - Thinking that maybe it is this Year and Nothing seems to be happening but she kept on coming.

Until one day, the High Priest noticed her!

Today, in the Name that is above every other name; the Almighty God Himself will Notice you - Amen!

She (Hannah) ended up with six (6) Children - 1 Samuel 2:21.

God rewarded her for all the times that she had been coming to Shiloh - After Samuel, she still had additional five (5) children.

God is keeping the Records of all Your efforts, of all your Prayers, of all your Fasting - He is keeping Records!

He knows how many times you have already said: "Happy New Year" and Nothing seems to have happened.

But your New Year will come - Amen!

And I'm believing God for you that this will be your own Year - Amen!

5. Remember Jacob in Genesis 32: 24-29.

The Bible told us that Jacob was left alone and it said that a Man wrestled with him - There was a Wrestling Match between Jacob and the Almighty God.

Each time that you read that Story, you know that it is an Encouragement to you to wrestle on!

Because the Bible tells us that after a while; the Fellow who was Wrestling with him dislocated his thigh - He said: Let me go!

Ask yourself the Question because this is one of the funny Stories in the Bible; one of the Dramas.

The Fellow who can dislocate a thigh, can't he dislocate the Head?

The boy was being taught - Come on, wrestle a little more and show that you are Determined!

And where did the Man come from anyway?

When the Almighty God says: Come on my dear, let's have some time together - It is not to destroy you, it is not to take away Hope, it is not to cause Fear but it is to show you: Hey, show me how much Faith that you have.

... Come on - Try Again!

And in any case, many of us don't have any Plan B - It is when you have Plan B that you can stop Praying!

We have no Plan B and so we have already come to the Last Bus Stop!

When you don't come to Jesus Christ, where else can you go?

Do you think that those Witch Doctor who can't even take care of himself will succeed where God had failed?

We have that Beautiful Chorus:

Since I was Born
And now I am getting Old
I have never seen the Lord failed.

... And He will never failed because it is just Impossible for Him to fail.

And there is no Plan B - Just keep on to Try Again.

6. In Matthew 15: 21-28; the Bible tells us the Story of that Woman whose daughter was grievously vexed of the devil.

She came to Jesus Christ and said: Have Mercy on me; Help me - It is not me in need of Help now but my daughter.

And the Bible says that the Lord did not answer her a word - The Lord heard but didn't answer.

The Disciples came to the Lord Jesus Christ and said: Send this woman away as she is too Noisy.

Do you know what that means?

She kept on crying - She was ignored but she kept on crying.

When finally she said: Lord, You have to have Mercy on me - When she came and Worshipped; the Lord said that I can't give the Bread of Children to dogs.

She said that agreed that I'm a dog but this dog will get her Miracle - I'm not asking for the Bread that You served for the Children but I'm asking for the crumbs. And she got what she wanted.

When you know how to hold on, you can bring the Future into the Present!

The time for that Lady to get a Miracle wasn't come yet - The time for the Gentiles was still far, far ahead.

The time of Gentiles didn't come until Acts of the Apostles Chapter 10 - When God sent Peter to

the house of Cornelius.

... That was when the time for the Gentiles came.

But the Lady said that I'm not going to wait - I'm not going to wait for Peter but I'm going to cling unto Jesus Christ.

And you remembered the Story - She got her Miracle.

I'm Praying for everyone of you who will cling to Jesus Christ today - God will bring to you what He wanted to do for you in 10 years time to today - Amen!

7. And you remembered the Story of Bartimaeus in Mark 10: 46-52.

Bartimaeus heard that Jesus Christ was Passing by and he began to cry for Mercy.

You know the Story very well - There was a crowd there and they all told him to shut up.

If he had agreed, and if he had stopped crying; he would have died in Darkness.

But the Bible said that instead of keeping quiet, he cried a lot much more louder - He said: God, You will have to hear me.

And one beautiful thing that I learnt from the Story of Bartimaeus is that the Bible say: Jesus Christ Stood Still.

And my Bible tells me that if Jesus Christ Stands Still, it means that the whole Universe Stood Still.

Because Colossians 1:17 says: It is in Jesus Christ, by Him that everything consist.

The entire Universe revolves round Jesus Christ - Everything!

So, when He Stood Still, the whole Universe Stood Still.

A Beggar cried and God stopped everything until He gave a Miracle to a Beggar.

I'm Praying for Someone today - Whatever God is doing; He is going to stop it until He has given you a Miracle today (Amen).

You see, the Bible says in Matthew 7: 7-8 - It says: Ask and you shall be given; Seek and you shall find; Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.

☆ He said that whosoever will ask shall be given.

☆ Whosoever will seek will find.

☆ Whosoever shall knock, the door shall be opened unto him.

But those who knows the Bible very well - They said that what the Bible is actually saying is that:

☆ Ask and keep Asking.

☆ Seek and keep Seeking.

☆ Knock and keep Knocking.

... Keep Asking until your Joy be Full.

That is what the Lord said in John 16:24:

- Ask until your Joy be Full.

- Keep Seeking until you find.

- Keep Knocking until the door be opened unto you.

I remembered very well one of the Greatest Sermon that I ever heard that was Preached by my son - Oluwagbemileke.

When he said something that has never left me since that day - When he said: "Keep Digging".

- You dig for a while, you get to water.

- You dig a little deeper, you get to Gold.

- You keep digging and you get to Oil.

I have not stopped Digging since then!

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It is Time to dig again:

- Time to Pray again
- Time to ask again.
- Time to seek again.
- Time to knock and keep Knocking.

The Time to dig and keep Digging!

ALTAR CALL

As for those of you who has not yet given your Life to Jesus Christ - You have considered the situation before: Should I give my Life to Jesus Christ?

Oh, I'm not quite sure - When I give my Life to Jesus Christ, I might not be able to live a Christian Life.

Oh, try again today - Come to Him; He will receive you and Change your Life Completely.

Or you are Backsliden, and you are afraid to come back to Him - Saying: If I go back to Him, I am a Backslider.

No, come back to Him just this once more and by the Grace of God; you won't backslide again,

So, if you want to give your Life to Jesus Christ; Please bow your Head wherever you are - I will Pray for your Genuine Salvation.

And if you are Backsliden, come back to God and He will restore you.

Let Us Pray!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

Ancient of Days, I want to say Thank You - Thank You for Your Words and Thank You for the

illumination of Your Words.

And Thank You for those who has decided to come to You today to Surrender their lives to You.

Father Please receive them, have Mercy on them, save their Souls, and receive them into the Family of God.

As for Backsliders, Father restore them Fully. And I Pray that from now on, they will never backslide again.

Father, I'm Praying for all of us who has Prayed before and we have not received an answer yet; as we Pray today, Please answer us.

I'm Praying for those of us who has knocked on doors before and the doors has not been opened; when we knock today Father, let the doors be opened to us.

This very Day Lord God Almighty, as we cast our Nets again; I Pray that all the fishes that we have not been able to catch, we will catch them all in Jesus Name.

Thank You my Father and my God.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Well, I'm rejoicing once again with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ and I'm rejoicing with those of you who have Backsliden and have come back to the Lord.

Please, go to the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you - Tell the Pastor there that I sent you and he will tell you what to do next.

And I will be hearing Good News from you very soon in Jesus Mighty Name - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 43 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 30): "DIVINE STRATEGIES IN SPIRITUAL WARFARE".

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BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 8: 1-2

Let Us Pray!

SONG

I will enter His Gates
With Thanksgiving in my Heart;
I will enter His Courts with Praise.
I will say this is the Day
That the Lord has made.
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice
For He has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice
For He has made me glad.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, the Owner of Heaven and Earth, the Controller of Times, the Controller of Seasons; the Only One who is Unchangeable, the Unchangeable Changer - We Worship You.

We Thank You for all You have done for us in the Past, Thank You for having made us glad - Please, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Thank You for what You have done for us thus far; Thank You because we believed that Today is our Day - That this is the Day that You have made for us to rejoice and to be glad.

Please Lord, before this Day is out; cancel every Sorrows in our lives and give us New Joy.

As we begin to move forward in Your Name my Father and my God, accelerate our Promotions, accelerate our Victories, accelerate our Joy and just let all be well Lord.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

We will move on to Part 43 in our Study: For Whom The Heavens Open" - Studying Joshua, a Man for whom the Heavens open and a Classical Example also of Divine Repositioning.

We have been looking at Joshua 8: 1-2:

1. And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the People of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the King of Ai, and his People, and his City, and his Land:

2. And thou shalt do to Ai and her King as thou didst unto Jericho and her King: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the City behind it.

One could stay on this Passage for a very long time because there are so many Hidden Treasures in this Particular Passage.

But the Section that I want to look at today is where God said to Joshua - Lay an ambush for the City behind it.

And I want to talk in the Little Time that we have on: "DIVINE STRATEGIES IN SPIRITUAL WARFARE".

God was telling Joshua - This war is not going to be Frontal Attack; this time, you are going to lay ambush for the enemy.

We need to remember as we have learnt in the Past - And it is good to repeat certain things because as any well trained Teacher would tell you; Repetition is a very good way of Teaching.

If you want to teach a Child a Language, you have to go on repeating and repeating and repeating.

If you want to learn how to Play Piano, or any Instrument; you have to keep on repeating, repeating and repeating.

We have learnt that our God is a Man of War.

We know that one of His Titles is "The Lord of Host".

We have learnt that God is the King of Glory and the King of Glory is God Strong and Mighty in Battle.

We have learnt that when they say that He is the Lord of Host; He is not just the Lord of Host in Heaven but He is the Lord of the Host on Earth and Underneath the Earth.

We have learnt that our God is a General by Land - That He knows how to fight by Land.

We have learnt in Numbers 16: 1-34 - Our God knows how to solve the Problems of every General.

That the Problem of a General is: What to do with the bodies of the Enemies that I killed in the Battle?

Do I bury them? - Waste Precious Time burying the bodies of the Enemies?

Or do I leave them to rot and create a Plague at the end of which even in their death they might create a Problem for my Army?

That God showing that He is a General of Generals solve that Problem by making sure that the Ground swallowed His Enemies?

He didn't have to bury them - You find that in Numbers 16: 1-34.

And when you go through the Scriptures, you can find that the Almighty God can turn "Ordinary Sand" to a weapon of Warfare - Exodus 8: 16-19.

He told Moses - Pick up sand, throw it into the sky and when it is falling down, it will come down as Lice to invade the whole of Egypt.

We have learnt that He is an Admiral by Sea - That He can fight by Sea.

That just as He solved the Problem of His Enemies on Land by asking the Ground to open its mouth to swallow them - In Exodus 14: 1-21, when He killed His Enemies; the Host of Pharaoh (A whole Army), He made sure that He just drowned there.

There were enough fish in the Red Sea to finish the job for Him.

We have learnt from Exodus 7: 17-21 that He can fight with water - He can Change Water to Blood.

... He can make sure that His Enemies has no water to drink.

We have seen from Exodus 8: 1-3 that He can call frogs out of the River and used them as an Army to invade the Territories of His Enemies.

I mean when He decided to fight Pharaoh with frogs, there were frogs everywhere - Frogs on the bed, Frogs in their pot of soup etc.

We have learnt that He is Air Marshall by Air - That when it comes to fighting by Air, He is the Leader.

When you read Exodus 8: 20-24; He used flies to fight Pharaoh.

By the time you get to Exodus 9: 13-33; He used Hays to fight - Dropping Hays from Heaven to fight.

In Exodus 10: 21-23; He used Darkness - He just told the Sun not to rise and there was Darkness all over.

Darkness so thick that People could touch it.

Darkness so thick that where People were sitting down, they couldn't get up for three (3) days.

You have heard the Testimonies of Witches who came against the Almighty God and they couldn't fly again.

Everyone of you who is a Child of God - If there is any Witch in your family; from today, they won't fly again - Amen!

So, when we are talking of Warfare; there is no one like God to give you Advice - To tell you the Strategies to use!

He knows Warfare inside out:

I. How to fight by Land - He is Number 1

II. How to fight by Water - He is Number 1

III. How to fight by Air - He is Number 1

So, you should Pay attention to His Advise when it comes to Warfare!

For Example:

1. There is a Time He will Advice you to Run!

There is a Time God Almighty will say to you - Don't fight, Run for Cover!

In Matthew 2: 1-15; Wise Men came when they discovered that Jesus Christ was born.

On their way, they stopped by in the Palace to ask: Where is this one born to be the king of the Jews?

The King said: Is that so? Go and find out where this your King is and come back and tell me so that I too can go and Worship Him.

And the Angel of the Lord told the Wise Men - Don't go back to him. Go another way back to your own Country.

And then God sent a Message to Joseph: Take the Child and Run - Flee to Egypt.

Now, if you think like a Man, you will say that it doesn't make sense?

A Child was born, the Host of Heaven came down to come and sing and Celebrate Him and now, one "Ordinary King" says that he want to kill that boy and God says Run?

Where are the Angels? Can't the Angels come down and defend the one they have come to sing for?

You better know that you are not as wise as God - When it comes to Warfare, you don't come near Him at all in Ability.

And He said in 2 Timothy 2:22 - He said: Flee Youthful Lust.

... Flee! He didn't even say Run.

And Flee means: Run as in Terror! Run as if it is the devil himself Pursuing you.

And I think that I have said something to you before - I said that if you find yourself being tempted by Somebody of the Opposite Sex, don't wait to fight; Run!

Because God knows that if you say you want to resist and you want to stand to fight; you will loose.

I made it clear to you that it is not a Question of "I am Anointed".

Samson was highly Anointed but he lost his Life and his eyes were Plucked out.

He was a Mighty Man of God - Alone he killed a thousand of People with the Jawbone of an Ass.

But a little girl brought him down.

And I gave you the Example of Elijah - He is a Mighty Man of God, he called down Fire from Heaven.

But when a woman say that I'm coming to get you; he ran.

... When God says run - Run!

Oh, but the Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want - He said run, so Please run.

- Run from the Lust of the eyes.

- Run from the Lust of the Flesh.

- Run from the Pride of Life.

That's what He said!

2. And then, there might be occasions He will say: Don't run, just be "Still".

When He says that, it is because He has made up His Mind that He is going to deal with the situation.

In Psalms 46:10; He said: Be still and know that I am God.

When He tells you not to run, it is because He wants to demonstrate His Power.

In Exodus 14: 13-14; when Moses said to the children of Israel: Hey, be still. Hold your Peace he said because God will fight for you.

There are occasions when He will ask you: Don't worry, just stay cool.

When David said: Thou has Prepared a Table before me in the Presence of mine Enemies.

It is because He has taken care of it.

When God says: Don't worry; it means that the matter is Settled.

... Learn to listen to Him!

I told you the Story of when I got information that one Military Head of State was going to come for me because Somebody told him that I will be interfering with his Plans.

And I was afraid and I went out to Pray and cry to God. And God says: Don't mind him, I have taken care of the situation.

You remembered the Story: He said, just tell your People to say Happy New Year - That's in June.

He told me not to run and that is why I could stay.

3. And then there could be occasions when He will say to you fight.

And He says so in James 4:7 - He says you Submit to me, then resist the devil and the devil will flee from you.

But take Note of the Pre-Condition: "Submit to me" - Do whatever I asked you to do, be one hundred Percent Obedient, make sure that your entire Life and all your Plans are in accordance with my Plan for you.

Then resist the devil and He will flee from you.

When He asked you to fight, then you stay and fight.

When He ask you to resist, then you can Stand to resist.

And take Note: It is the devil that He asked you to resist:

- Not the girl who is smiling at you in a way that is likely to lead you into trouble.

- Not the brother who is telling you that: Hey, I have never seen Somebody like you before. Where have I been all those years? When I see you, it seems as if the Sun is just rising.

That is not the one He asked you to Stand and resist; it is the devil.

In Deuteronomy 28: 1-7; the Bible says that if you will hearken diligently to the voice of the Lord your God, to observe and to do all that He has Commanded you this Day - That's the Condition.

He then went on to say in Verse 7 - The Enemies that rise up against you shall be smitten before

your face and they will come against you in one way, they will flee seven (7) ways.

It is when your Surrender is Total; it is then that you can resist and win.

I. You cannot be one of those People who are trying to twist the Bible to fit your Purpose, that can resist the devil and the devil will flee.

II. You cannot be one of the People who are saying that what God said, that one is in the Old Testament.

When God says: Pay your Tithe - That's in the Old Testament but now, we are in the Age of Grace.

When you are trying to Select what Part of the Bible you are going to believe, and then you say you want to resist the devil? The devil will knock you out!

And then, the most important aspect of this Passage is that He says: "Lay ambush for the Enemy".

I'm telling you my Beloveth Children - It took me quite a while to figure that out.

How do I lay ambush for the Enemy?

I can understand when You ask me to flee; I can understand when You ask me to ignore him; I can understand when You ask me to resist him - How do I lay ambush for the Enemy?

So I have to really, really ask Him - And so what I am about to tell you is what He shared with me.

So, don't think that your daddy must be a very Great Theologian.

He said to me: Son, whenever you face a Major Challenge; Praise me - Sing, Worship me, do it in Spirit, do it in Truth and then see what will happen!

According to John 4: 23-24; the Bible says that God is a Spirit, they that Worship Him must Worship Him in Spirit and in Truth for the Father seeketh such to Worship Him.

He says you Worship me in Spirit and in Truth, and what do you think will happen as I get up to come to you?

Psalms 68: 1-2 will happen - Let God arise and His Enemies will scatter. And the Enemies will melt like wax.

You find the Enemies trying to attack: They have made their Plans, then you begin to Worship me.

And they will look at you and say:

I. Hey, he doesn't know what is coming - We are going to swallow him up and finish him up.

II. Leave him alone - He has gone to the Holy Ghost Service to sing and shout but we are waiting for him.

He said: Worship me; let them look at you as if you are Defenceless and I will arise.

By the time I arise, they won't have anywhere to run to.

And He gave me an illustration in 2 Chronicles 20: 1-25.

When some Kings gathered together and they were going to swallow up Jehoshaphat and the Almighty God says: Hey, just sing and just Praise me.

And the Enemies heard - These People they were Singing and they were Praising God and they said these People were meat for us now. They didn't even know how to fight.

And the Almighty God said that He laid ambushment against them.

When you have a Problem you can't handle, just go ahead and Praise Him.

And you should remember what happened in Acts 16: 25-end.

At Midnight, Paul and Silas Prayed and sang Praises unto God.

The Enemies thought that by tomorrow Morning, we will finish Paul and Silas - We will end their Destiny and they will never be able to Preach again.

But they sang Praises unto God and the Almighty God arose and shattered the Prison doors.

By the time you get to the end of the Story, you will find out that the Jailer became a Servant and the People who threw them into Prison had to come and bow down and beg them to leave.

The Lord asked me to encourage Somebody who is in a very Great situation - You are facing a Problem that is beyond your Ability to Control. He asked me to tell you: Worship Him, Praise Him and then go to Sleep!

He said that before you wake up, He will take care of the situation - Amen!

He asked me to tell you to read Acts 12: 5-24.

When the King thought that he was going to kill Peter.

Peter was fast asleep when an Angel came to take him out.

And the King that thought that he was going to finish Peter was the King that worms ate.

I'm going to encourage all of you today - Spend Quality Time Worshipping the Almighty God and you will be laying ambush for your Enemies!

And very soon, I will hear your Testimonies - Amen!

ALTAR CALL

Those of you who has not given your Life to Jesus Christ, this is a Great God and so come to His Side.

Oh, one with God is a Majority.

Come to His Side - He knows how to fight and He will fight your battle for you.

Come to Him today and Surrender your Life.

Bow your head and I will Pray with you for the Salvation of your Souls and you will never have to fight any battle alone anymore.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

And so my Father and my God, I'm Thanking You once again for Your Words and I'm Thanking You extremely for all those People who are Surrendering their lives to You now.

I'm Praying my Father and my God that You will receive them, You will save their Souls, Your Blood will wipe away all their sins and You will receive them into the Family of God so that they will be secured under Your Protection.

And I Pray that from now on, anytime they sing Praises unto You; You will lay an ambush against their Enemies and give them Total Victory.

And all Your Children today, even as they go into a Session of Worship and Prayer, You will

Please Lord God Almighty remove every Obstacles on their ways.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I rejoice again with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ today.

I want to assure you that I will be Praying for you from now on.

So, Please get in Contact with the Pastor of The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) nearest to you - They will tell you what to do next.

I Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

God Bless You!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 44 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA -

PART 31): "HE WHO LAUGHS LAST LAUGHS BEST".

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 19TH MAY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 8: 24-31

Let Us Pray!

SONG

Blessed be Your Name
Blessed be Your Name
Blessed be Your Name Oh Lord
Hallelujah
Blessed be Your Name
Blessed be Your Name
Blessed be Your Name Oh Lord

OPENING PRAYER

We give You all Glory and Honour for giving us the Grace to be again at Your Feet to hear Your Words.

Thank You for Life, Thank You for Preservation, Thank You for Your Protection, Thank You for being with us even in this Hard Times, Thank You because we know that our tomorrow will be alright.

Please accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

As we go into Your Words, we Pray that the Power in Your Words again will bring Salvation to many and bring Healings to many and bring Blessings to all of us.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, you shake hands with one (1) or two (2) People and say that the Almighty God will bless you today.

And you then you may Please be seated.

We will continue with our Series: "For Whom The Heavens Open" and this time, we are going to Part 44.

And our Bible Text today will be: Joshua 8: 24-31:

24. And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

25. And so it was, that all that fell that day, both of men and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai.

26. For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.

27. Only the cattle and the spoil of that City Israel took for a prey unto themselves, according unto the word of the LORD which he commanded Joshua.

28. And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an heap for ever, even a desolation unto this day.

29. And the King of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: and as soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, that remaineth unto this day.

30. Then Joshua built an Altar unto the LORD God of Israel in mount Ebal,

31. As Moses the Servant of the LORD commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, an Altar of whole stones, over which no man hath lift up any iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the LORD, and sacrificed Peace Offerings.

You know the Story thus far:

You remembered what happened in Joshua Chapter 7 when the children of Israel attacked Ai not knowing that Somebody had already committed sin and the Men Ai chased them and killed many of the Men of Israel.

And Joshua fell on his face and said God, what am I going to do now? You Promised me that Nobody will be able to Stand before me all the days of my Life.

Now, we haven't even gone far, we are already running from the enemy.

And God spoke to him - Well, Somebody had sinned, if you retribute your ways then I can consider continuing with you. But for now, I'm no longer with you.

Well, they found out the Culprit; they did what was necessary and then God returned and taught Joshua how to attack Ai the second time.

Now, they attacked Ai the second time and from the Passage we have read they wiped them out completely.

If there is any Lesson to learn from this Passage that we have just read - It is that: "He who laughs Last, laughs Best".

This is a very important Lesson that you will find throughout the Bible.

1. Moses vs Pharaoh for Example.

You remembered that in Exodus 5: 1-2; when Moses went in to Pharaoh and said: God has sent me to you that you should let my People go so that they can serve me.

Pharaoh said: Who is the Lord that I should obey Him? He said I don't know the Lord and I'm not going to let Israel go.

... That was Round 1.

And then you go further; you find in Exodus 5: 4-13; Pharaoh said you my Servant increase the burden of these People - It's like they are not suffering enough that is why they are talking of going to offer a Sacrifice.

Don't give them Straw anymore for the bricks they are making and make sure that the number of bricks will not diminish.

So, it looks as if things were getting really, really bad for the children of Israel - Going from Bad to Worst.

But at the end of the day, when you get to Exodus 12: 30-36; the same Pharaoh who said who is God, I don't know Him and you are not going anywhere; is the one who said: Hey, Please go quickly. Take everything you want - Just go and Please bless me also.

I could imagine the Laughter in the house of the children of Israel that day.

... He who laughs Last, laughs Best!

But then, the Story of Moses and Pharaoh even didn't end there:

In Exodus 14: 1-9; when suddenly Pharaoh realised what had happened - I have allowed these People to go. They are the ones offering me Free Labour and so let's go after them.

And when they found them by the Red Sea, he said, now I got them - It is either I take them all back or I wiped them all out. And there is no way of escape for them anyway.

But by the time you get to Exodus 14: 13-28; you discovered that there was not a Single one left of Pharaoh and his entire Army.

But by the time you get to Exodus Chapter 15; you will see the children of Israel Singing - Singing the Song of Triumph and Pharaoh was no where around to stop them from Singing.

My Prayer for all of you who are listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC is that you will laugh Last - Amen

2. Take Hannah as an Example.

When you read 1 Samuel 1: 1-8; the Bible tells you of the kind of Problem that Hannah was facing in her home.

And the other wife was vexing her sore - Always telling her: Useless woman, you are just here eating our husband food, wearing his dress, living in his house and Producing Nothing.

You barren woman - When will you get out of here?

But in 1 Samuel 1: 9-20; you see what happened when God intervened.

And all of a sudden, the one they said can never have a child had one.

And so you see the Song she sang in 1 Samuel 2: 1-10 - That the one they thought will not have any children has become mother of many.

Because in 1 Samuel 2:21; the one they thought will never have a child ended up having six (6) children.

Not just any kind of six (6) children, but the first one among them was very Peculiar:

I. In 1 Samuel 3: 19-21; that boy became a Major Prophet in Israel.

The Bible says that when he speaks, God will not even allow his words to fall to the Ground.

II. Not only that, by the time you look at 1 Samuel 10: 1-8; that boy became the first King Maker of Israel.

III. And in 1 Samuel 15: 1-29; the boy became the first King Remover in Israel - Not just the King Maker.

It is one thing to be the one who will make a King, it takes an Extra Anointing to be the one who can remove a King!

So, when we talk about laughing Last, you can see Hannah having the Last laugh!

And I'm decreeing for those of you who are Trusting God for the Fruit of the Womb; you will laugh Last - Amen!

3. Consider the case of David vs Goliath.

That is a very good example of what God can do - How He can give you the Last laugh.

When you read 1 Samuel 17: 1-end - But you may just take Verses 41 to 52.

You know Goliath has been boasting - Send me your Best Man, let the two of us fight. If I win, then you become our Slaves; if he wins, we will become your Slaves.

But hear him Specifically from Verse 41 when he saw David coming:

He said: You coming against me? Am I a dog? He said that I am going to feed your flesh to the birds, I will kill you and there will be Nothing left.

But by the time he (Goliath) hit the Ground through the caterpault of David; by the time his big head was cut off - He couldn't speak anymore.

What followed was a huge shout of a whole Nation.

I can imagine a whole Nation shouting Hallelujah at the same time.

The Ground must have trembled on that day!

I have a Feeling that the Almighty God is going to fight for your Nation - Amen!

That a Day is coming when the whole Nation will shout Hallelujah - Amen!

4. Consider Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego with Nebuchadnezzar.

When you read Daniel 3: 14-15; the Bible tells us that Nebuchadnezzar said: Who is that God who can deliver you out of my hand?

He was boasting and he had cause to boast - He was Powerful and he was talking to Slaves.

He said: Don't you know who I am? I am your owner as you are just Slaves - I asked you to bow down to my idols and you ate talking rubbish?

I give you an opportunity - Bow to my Idol or you burn.

You know the Story - He said that if you don't bow, I will throw you into the Furnace. There is no God anywhere that can deliver you out of my hands.

But before the end of the day; in Daniel 3: 24-29, that same King said: There is no God like the God of these boys (DMC NOTES: Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego).

I'm believing God for Someone that all those who has been asking: Who is your God; God will Prove Himself to them today - Amen!

5. You can Consider Daniel.

In Daniel 6: 6-18 - All the Peers of Daniel conspired against him.

He hasn't done anything wrong but just that God was Blessing him - That was what made them mad. And they saw the way he was going.

So, they all conspired against him and got him thrown into the Den of Lions. They made sure that a decree has been made that cannot be Changed.

But you know the end of the Story - By the time you get to Daniel 6: 19-28; it was those who threw Daniel into the Den of Lions who replaced him.

I wasn't there but I believed that when Daniel was going that day, he must be laughing.

And if you check the Story very well; you will discovered that Nobody ever disturbed Daniel again for the rest of his Life.

May I Pray for Someone today that in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ; no Enemy will ever disturb you again because you will have the Last laugh - Amen.

6. But Probably the biggest Example of all is that of our Lord Jesus Christ.

When all the Host of Hell ganged up against him and they got Him hanged on the Cross; the Bible says that Darkness was reigning so Supreme.

In Matthew 27:45, for 3 hours on that Particular Day; the Sun refuses to shine. And when at Noontime, the whole world became dark.

That is a way to say that Darkness reigned Supreme; oh you don't have to be a Great Theologian to be able to imagine what must be happening in the Host of Hell at that time.

They were rejoicing - The devil felt that he was in Control. The One who is called the Light of the world has been put out and they thought that we got Him.

And you know that the Bible says that for three (3) days, He was there in their Kingdom - Only God knows what was happening during those three (3) days.

But then came the Ressurrection Morning in Matthew 28: 1-6 - And the Light came bright as ever.

Just one Angel from Him came and all the Soldiers guarding the Tomb fell down as dead Men.

The Angel rolled away the Stone, sat on the Stone and said, Let me see who will come and roll this Stone back again.

And the King of Glory came out of the Tomb.

And you know; when He was coming, He didn't come out empty handed.

According to Revelation 1:18:

- He came out with the keys of Death as well as of Hell.
- He took away the Absolute Control of Death and Hell that had been in the hands of satan.
- And from that moment onwards, the Bible says: He gave Total Freedom to all the People who for the Fear of Death has been Subject to satan all the days of their lives.

That is why every Child of God can be assured that you will laugh Last!

Because the Bible tells us in Colossians 3:4 - It said this Lord Jesus Christ is coming back again. And when He returns, He will return in Glory.

The first time that He came, He came as a Lamb to be Slain; the next time that He will come back, He will come as a King - The King of Glory.

And Colossians 1:27 gives us the assurance - That only if you will let Him take over your Life absolutely, according to Colossians 1:27; the only Hope you can have is the "Hope of Glory" - Your Future will be Guaranteed.

It doesn't matter how many battles you are fighting now, you will laugh Last - Amen!

So, I'm rejoicing with those of us who are Children of God - You know that the tougher the Battle you are fighting, the Greater will be your shout of Victory.

Some People were asking me not too long ago - Why is the Battle so hot? Why are you getting attacks from right, left and center?

I said that is Good News - It simply means that we are making Progress.

You don't ask the Featherweight to go and fight the Heavyweight.

When you are a Boxer, Featherweight will fight Featherweight.

The moment you grows - You grow in Strength or you grow in Weight or you grow in Ability - They Change your Opponent.

And when they discovered that just one Opponent is not enough to handle you anymore, then they bring a crowd.

I. How many People were there when they wanted to bind Samson? - Three thousand (3,000) Men just to bind one Man.

And he begged them - You are my Relatives, just make sure you don't efforts to kill me. Otherwise Relatives or no Relatives, you will Perish.

And when a Single Man got up and wiped out a thousand of the Enemies and the rest fled; they bowed to say: Wait a Minute o, who is this Man? What is the Source of his Strength?

II. I told the Fellow to emember very well that when a King wanted to arrest Elijah - A Prophet who has no Weapon:

- He sent 50 Soldiers and a Captain - They came and didn't returned.

- So he sent another 50 Soldiers and a Captain - They didn't return too.

- He sent another 50 Soldiers and another Captain.

... All because he had respect for Elijah.

III. But when you considered what happened when a King wanted to arrest Elisha - He knew that this Fellow is not like Elijah.

Elijah may be a Champion, but there is a Bigger Champion here - He sent a whole Army.

Are you facing attacks? - Rejoice, as it means that you are making Progress.

And I can assure you that you will laugh Last!

ALTAR CALL

So, those of you who has not given your Life to Jesus Christ; you don't know what you are missing - There is Victory for you in Salvation.

Give your Life to Jesus Christ and He will take over your Fighting, take over your Battles and you will laugh Last.

And so, if you will love to Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ now; wherever you may be - Please bow down your head and cry to the Almighty God.

And ask Him to Please receive you, ask Him to have Mercy on you, ask Him to accept you into the Family of God and ask Him to save your Soul.

Talk to Him now!

Promise Him that you will serve Him for the rest of your Life.

And I will Pray with you now!

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You for Your Words and I want to Thank You for all those who had heard Your Words today or reading now on the Label of DMC and have made up their Minds that they will Surrender unto You.

Father, Please receive them, have Mercy on them, let Your Blood wipe away their sins, write their names in the Book of Life, save their Souls and receive them into the Family of God.

And Please Lord, from now on; in all the areas of their lives, let them laugh Last and let them serve You till the End.

And all the Children of God listening to Your Words this moment or reading now on the Label of DMC; Father whatever may be the Battle they are fighting, give them Victory and let them laugh Last.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ.

And may I encourage you to Please as soon as Possible, contact the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you.

Tell the Pastor there that I sent you - He will tell you what ti do.

Particularly he will direct you to send your name, Address and Prayer Requests to me.

And I Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

It shall be well with you - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 45 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 32): "SOME LESSONS FROM JOSHUA CHAPTERS 7 AND 8".

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 26TH MAY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 7: 10-12 AND JOSHUA 8:30

Let's Us Pray!

SONG

There is None Holy as the Lord
There is None beside thee
Neither is there any Rock like our God
There is None Holy as the Lord.

OPENING PRAYER

Our Father and our God, there is None like You.

Oh thou Rock of Ages, the Unchangeable Changer - We Worship You because we know that You are there all the time and You have never Changed.

Whatever You have done before, You will do it again.

Glory be to Your Holy Name.

We Thank You because we know that we are More Than Conqueror because You loved us.

And because Your Love for Your People is forever, we know that we are More Than Conqueror forever.

Father, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Today once again, let Your Words go out and bring Healings to Your People.

Healings Physical, Healings Mental, Healings Material, Healings Marital and Healings Spiritual.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

You may want to shake hands with one (1) or two (2) People and said: Good Day, God bless you Mightily (Amen).

And then, you may Please be seated.

We are going to Part 45 in our Series: For Whom The Heavens Open.

And today, we want to learn some Lessons from Joshua Chapters 7 and 8.

Our Bible Text will be: Joshua 7: 10-12 as well as Joshua 8:30:

Joshua 7:10-12 and Joshua 8:30:

7:10. And the LORD said unto Joshua, Get thee up; wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face?

7:11. srael hath sinned, and they have also transgressed my covenant which I commanded them: for they have even taken of the accursed thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also, and they have put it even among their own stuff.

7:12. herefore the children of Israel could not stand before their enemies, but turned their backs before their enemies, because they were accursed: neither will I be with you any more, except ye destroy the accursed from among you.

8:30: Then Joshua built an altar unto the LORD God of Israel in mount Ebal,

We already know in the Series that we have been dealing with how at a Stage God said to Joshua - I am not going with you anymore - You have failed and that's it; unless you Restitute your ways.

And then Restitution was made - God came back again and He gave Victory to Israel. And Israel laughs Last so much so that they built an Altar unto God.

And so, as we discussed in the Last Series - Part 44; when God is on your side, you will laugh Last.

But when we look at the two (2) Chapters - Joshua Chapters 7 and 8; we find out that there are some very big Lessons to learn:

LESSON NO 1: THAT YOU ARE DOWN DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT YOU ARE OUT.

... That is very Important!

Job 14: 7-9 tells us that even when a tree is cut down; as long as the root is still in the Ground, then don't think that is the end of the tree.

The tree has been cut down but as long as the root is still in the Ground, another tree can still grow out of that Stump.

Which is why Micah said in Micah 7:8 - It says that my Enemies, don't rejoice over me. If I fall, I shall rise again. What a beautiful Passage.

Again like I keep referring to Boxing - That you are in the ring, you are fighting and Somebody gave you a blow that you are not expecting and you hit the Ground; that is not the end of the fight.

On the Ground there, they are going to count 1, 2, 3 and on and on to 10.

If you don't get up by 10; that is when they will say that the fight is over.

And my Coach used to teach us in those days - When they knocked you down; stay down there till you hear 8, then you can begin to get up.

You hit the Ground because you didn't see that blow coming - Don't jump up quickly and say what happened because you will still be goggy (DMC NOTES: Goggy means being weak and unable to think clearly or walk correctly usually because of illness or being tired).

The blow that knocks you down will almost make you faint.

Stay down there - Rest, recoup (DMC NOTES: A Kind of Recovery) a little bit of energy and then Plan your New Strategy.

Let the enemy think that you are tired, and that you are finished - Wait till 8, by then he will be thinking of rejoicing and then get up,

And he thinks - Now, let me go ahead and just give him one more blow.

And you say my friend, I made a mistake the last time, that's why you got me down; this time around, come for your own!

Down does not mean out - Never forget that!

Ecclesiastes 9:4 says: A Living dog is better than a dead Lion.

Are you still alive? Don't lose Hope!

Psalms 150:6 says clearly: Are you still Breathing? It said Praise God.

As long as you are still Breathing - It doesn't matter what the Doctors may say, it doesn't matter what the Enemies may be Planning to rejoice over you. Are you still Breathing? Oh, there is Hope!

The Doctors may say that you have less than a week to live - That's their own Expert Opinion; wait for the Report of the Lord.

And you know what? The Report of the Lord is that it is not over until it is over!

It is not over until the Almighty God says no more Hope for you.

When you read Genesis 21: 1-7; Sarah said: Who would have ever thought that a 90 years Old Woman will give birth to a son for Abraham?

She said that I laughed myself and People must have laughed at me. But now, when we were laughing in Mockery, we will now laugh in Triumph.

Are you still Breathing? Then there is Hope for you.

Because Joshua was on his face on the Ground - Knocked down by the enemy.

But at long Last, he laugh Last and built an Altar for his God.

LESSON NO 2: WHEN GOD FORGIVES YOU, FORGIVE YOURSELF.

... That is very, very Important.

Oh, you made a mistake - You fell alright. The Almighty God said that you are in trouble but then you said I'm sorry and I will never do so again and then you retribute your way.

When God forgives you, then you should make sure that you forgive yourself.

Because in Psalms 103: 8-14; the Bible says that when God forgives you; as far as the East is from the West, that is how He takes your sin away from you.

... From the East to the West - That is a long, long distance.

It is we Human Beings that we will say you have come again ooo - This is what you did 9 years

ago and I forgave you and you are coming again. Not God! When He says that you are forgiven, then you are forgiven.

Otherwise, how could Somebody like Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 7:2 - He said that I wrong no Man.

He was the Chairman when they are Stoning Stephen to death - Even though we can't remember any other thing, we remembered that much.

But by 2 Corinthians 7:2; he said that I wrong no Man.

Why? He said in 1 Timothy 1: 12-13 that everything I did in those days I did it in Ignorance. Then I met the Lord and everything Changed.

And the Bible says clearly in Acts 17:30 - It said that the time of Ignorance God winked at.

It is simply saying that just make sure that you don't go back to those days of Ignorance.

You will remembered very clearly the Story of a Woman that was caught in Adultery - In the very act.

They brought her to the Lord Jesus Christ and they said: What the Law says is that we should Stone this woman to death.

He said: Fine, go ahead. But make sure that the Fellow who throws the first stone is the one who has never sinned before - They all checked themselves.

It's just as I said to one fellow who was asking me about some happenings in recent days.

I said that when Somebody has done something wrong and the Wind blows it open; and you are beginning to mock and criticise.

Remember that the Wind is still blowing and it is the one whose case has come to the open that we see now - The Wind is coming your way too.

So, laugh as loudly as you can so that when your time comes, we will be able to laugh louder.

Because the Judgement you used to judge others, that is the same Judgement we are going to use to judge you.

The Lord says to that woman caught in Adultery - He said: Nobody condemned you? She said that they have all gone.

He said that I didn't condemn you too but just go and sin no more.

... When God forgives you, Please forgive yourself.

LESSON NO 3: THE ONE WHO CAN USE MOSES (SPIRITUAL FATHER OF JOSHUA) CAN STILL USE YOU REGARDLESS OF YOUR PAST.

Moses was a Murderer - Read Exodus 2: 11-12.

The Bible said that Moses went out to see his Brethren and he saw an Egyptian ill-treating one of his Brethren.

What did Moses do?

The Bible says that he look right and he look left.

What does that mean?

He was trying to see that I hope Nobody is looking.

He knew what he wanted to do - He wanted to kill.

He didn't kill that Man (Egyptian) by accident - He did it deliberately.

... He look right, he look left before he killed him - That is a Murderer.

This is not a case of Accidental Killing but a Deliberate Killing.

I mean, there are cases where things happen by Accident.

I remembered once when I was at Kirikiri Maximum Prison to visit the Prisoners there (DMC NOTES: Kirikiri Maximum Security Prison is a Prison West of Apapa, Lagos State, Nigeria. It is named after the rural Kirikiri Community in which it is situated. A part of the Nigerian Correctional Service, its official capacity is 1,056. It was first established in 1955.)

There was a Young Man there who was Playing Organ - That was the first time that I was there with my Elder Pastor who took me under his wing.

I saw the way the boy was rejoicing on the Organ and so I asked that Pastor of Blessed Memory - Pastor Talabi: Are they going to release him next week? Why is he so happy?

He said no, he is here for Life.

Why? He said well, he has a quarrel with his friend, slapped the friend and he hit the Ground and died. And so, they Charged him for Murder.

But they discovered that this was Accidental Killing and so instead of Death, they commuted the Sentence to Life Imprisonment.

But that was an Accidental Killing; but in the case of Moses it wasn't Accidental but a Deliberate Killing.

Moses was a Deliberate Murderer - But God still used him:

I. In Exodus 3: 1-10; when God wanted to bring the children of Israel out of Egypt, it was Moses that He said go for me.

II. It was the same Murderer who wrote the first five (5) Books of the Bible.

III. It was the same hand that committed Murder that opened the Red Sea.

IV. It was the same hand of Moses in Exodus 17: 8-13 - The hand of the former Murderer that gave Victory to the Children of Israel.

When he raised his hands against the Amalekites, the children of Israel Prevailed over the Amalekites. But when his hands were going down, the Amalekites were Prevailing.

The hand of a former Murderer brought Anointing down from Heaven, Passed it down to the Valley below and the children of Israel won the day.

V. And you know what? When you read Numbers 11: 14-25; the same Moses had enough Anointing for God to come down from Heaven and take out of his Anointing, give it to seventy (70) Elders and Moses was still not yet empty.

If a Murderer can be that Anointed - If he had more than enough Anointing for seventy (70) Elders; then he must be Someone else.

VI. And you know what? It was those Murderer hands that were laid on Joshua that cause Joshua to be filled with the Spirit of Wisdom.

If God can use Moses, then He can use you too!

And then consider David:

Consider the terrible sins of David and there were so many of them:

If you read 2 Samuel 11: 1-end; you will see how many sins that David committed - He abused his Power of being a King:

I. He coveted the wife of his Neighbour inspite of Exodus 20:17 that says that you must not covet your Neighbour's wife.

II. He committed Adultery inspite of Exodus 20:14 that says clearly that thou shall not commit Adultery.

III. He was Part and Parcel of the Murderer of Uriah in spite of Exodus 20:13 that says thou shall not commit murder.

IV. And then he added Hypocrisy to that one.

Took the wife of Uriah, brought her to his house, giving the People the impression that he cared for one of the Widow of one of his Soldiers.

And Job 13:16 states clearly that no Hypocrite will come before God.

But then in 2 Samuel 12: 1-3; as soon as He said that I have sinned and I'm in trouble.

The Almighty God said okay we will handle that - You will take your Punishment.

But then, that is not the end of the Story because by the time you read 2 Samuel 12:24, how could you believed that the same David, with the same woman who was the wife of Uriah will Produce a son and God will say: "I Love him"?

The father calls that son Solomon; but the Almighty God called the son "Beloveth".

And do you know that as bad as David was, he still ended up being called the father of the Lord Jesus Christ in Mark 10: 46-52.

And then consider in Matthew 26: 69-75 - Consider the series of sins that Peter committed in one day:

I. He lied as he said that I don't know Jesus Christ.

Revelation 22:15 says that Liars won't go to Heaven.

II. He denied Jesus Christ three (3) times.

And Jesus said in Matthew 10:33 that anybody who denies me before Men, I will deny him

before God.

III. He swore deceitfully.

And yet Psalms 24: 3-4 says that you want to make it to Heaven, you must never swear deceitfully.

And yet the Almighty God restored him.

The same Peter Preached one Sermon on the Day of Pentecost in Acts 2:41 and won three thousand (3,000) Souls into the Kingdom of God - You know the rest of the Story.

But let me conclude:

If God can turn Someone who He Himself said that he is the Chief of Sinners - 1 Timothy 1:15; that's Saul of Tarsus.

If He can turn the Chief of Sinner to a Chief Apostle; according to 2 Corinthians 11:5, I want to appeal to you today, let bygone be bygone.

If God has forgiven you, Please go ahead and forgive yourself.

Remember that is clearly written in 2 Corinthians 5:17 - Therefore if any Man be in Christ, He is a New Creature; Old Things are Passed away, behold all things has become New.

So for those of you who are truly, truly Born Again, forget the Past and March forward.

For those of you who are yet to give your Life to Jesus; you are the only one who may have to carry the burden of the Past.

But if you will come to Him now, I can guarantee you that with just one stroke; He will wipe out all the evil you have ever done and He will give you a Brand New Beginning!

ALTAR CALL

So, the Choice is yours!

If you are willing to Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ; if you will bow your Head wherever you are now and cry to Him.

Ask Him to Please save your Soul, forgive your sins, give you a Brand New Beginning - He will do so.

So talk to Him for a Minute and I will Pray along with you and you will have a Brand New Beginning.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

And so my Father and my God, I want to say Glory be to Your Name.

Thank You for Your Words, and Thank You for the Grace to give us a Brand New Beginning.

I'm committing all those who are Surrendering their lives to You today into Your Hands; Please have Mercy on them, save their Souls Lord, let Your Blood wash away their sins and give them a Brand New Beginning.

Please as You have done for me, do it for them and keep them Steadfast in You till the End.

From now on, anytime they call on You, answer them by Fire.

And all those who are already Your Children, Please Lord let us forget the Past and March Forward.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I rejoice with those of you who has given their lives to Jesus Christ

I want to Promise you that from now on, I will be Praying for you. Please contact me and let me have your name, Address and Prayer Points.

And Please contact the nearest RCCG to you - The Pastor there will tell you what to do next.

God Bless You!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 46 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 33): INTEGRITY

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 9TH JUNE 2024

BIBLE TEXT: J9SHUA 9: 17-19

Let Us Pray!

SONG

We bless You Lord
We bless You Lord
We bless You Jehovah Almighty
We bless You Lord
We bless You Lord
We bless You Lord Jehovah Almighty

We Love You Lord
We Love You Lord
We Love You Jehovah Almighty
We Love You Lord
We Love You Lord
We Love You Jehovah Almighty

We Trust You Lord
We Trust You Lord
We Trust You Jehovah Almighty
We Trust You Lord
We Trust You Lord
We Trust You Jehovah Almighty

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, King of all Kings and Lord of all Lords; the King of Glory Himself - We Worship You.

Thank You for Your Mercy because it is of Your Mercy that we are not Consumed.

Thank You for Your Holiness because that is what made You so Trustworthy.

Thank You for everything that You have done for us in the Past, Thank You because our Future is in Your Hands and so we know that our Tomorrow will be alright.

Please, accept our Thanksgiving in Jesus Name.

Father, Please today speak to us, encourage us, Challenge us where necessary and let all just be well with all of us.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, you may shake hands with one (1) or two (2) People and say: God will bless you Mightily today - Amen!

As we continue with our Series: "For Whom The Heavens Open" and we move on to Part 46.

This time around, we are moving into Joshua 9: 17-19.

Actually, we should have read the whole Chapter but I will just read Verses 17 to 19 at the Appropriate Time.

After the Victory at Ai and after Joshua had wiped out Ai; some Kingdoms nearby: The Hittites, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, the Jebusites including Gibeon - They all gathered together and say: Wait o, this Man that is coming, we can't beat him. And if you can't beat them, then join them.

So they said, Let us use Wisdom here o - Strength is not going to Prevail.

Let us go to this People and made an Alliance with them.

So, they took Old Bread, they took some rugged looking bottles and they made it look as if they are coming from a Long Way - They were their Neighbours o.

So they came to Joshua: Sir, we have heard of you, we have come a Long Way as you can see the the Bread - This Bread was fresh when we were leaving home but it has become rusty now.

All the things that you see looking Old, they were New when we left home.

So we said that before you come to our Territory, let us come and meet you and say: We are your friends and we want to be friends with you.

And so Joshua and the Princes; they didn't ask God - Oh, you want to be friends and you are far

away from here? They said yes.

Okay, we swear to you - We shall be friends!

And then we come to Verse 17 now and I will read from Verse 17 to 19.

Joshua 9:17-19:

17. And the children of Israel journeyed, and came unto their Cities on the third day. Now their Cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kirjathjearim.

18. And the children of Israel smote them not, because the Princes of the Congregation had sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel. And all the Congregation murmured against the Princes.

19. But all the Princes said unto all the Congregation, We have sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel: now therefore we may not touch them.

This is a Story that has a lot to say to you as a Christian about something called "INTEGRITY".

A Child of God must be a Man or Woman of Integrity.

What do we mean by Integrity?

Integrity simply means that your "Yea must be your Yea" and your "Nay must be your Nay".

2 Corinthians 1:17 says: Your Yes must be your Yes and your No must be your No.

... You don't Change what you have agreed upon.

In the Life of a True Child of God, there is Nothing Grey - White is White and Black is Black.

And the Word of God is very Clear - Psalms 24: 3-4; if you want to make it to Heaven, if you swear to a Oath, you must not Change.

You made a Promise and then you discovered after you made the Promise: Ha: I made a mistake - You must keep that Promise.

There are some of us Christians, when we say that we are coming; the People who knows us will say: Well when we see you, then we will know that you have come.

Which is very, very sad - You made a Promise, you must fulfil that Promise.

Years ago, one of my daughters Abroad was turning fifty and a year before, she had told me and I said okay when you are 50 - Because she said daddy, that is the only thing I want in my Life; I want you to be Present at my 50th Birthday.

I said, sure I will come - I didn't ask what was the date.

And then on the Friday or so because the day was going to be a Sunday - Daddy, when are you arriving?

So I said arriving where?

You are arriving for my 50th Birthday - My 50th Birthday is on Sunday.

And that was Holy Ghost Night - Which means that if I am going to be there on that Sunday, I have to travel on Saturday.

I had to buy a Ticket that I couldn't afford because all Planes were Full and there was only one seat that was empty - It was First Class.

But I had Promised - Because I remembered I said, yes I will come.

I arrived at the Airport - I had to go from the Airport straight to the Venue. I had Promised.

You want to make it to Heaven? You must be a Man/Woman of Integrity.

No matter what it is going to cause you; once you have made a Promise, you must fulfill it.

The Princes said to the Congregation - We have Promised these People in the Name of our God that we will not harm them.

Now we discovered that they have deceived us but that doesn't release us from our Promise.

1. Child of God, consider your Father (God).

He is a Covenant Keeping God - Deuteronomy 7:9. He keeps Covenant.

In 2 Corinthians 1:20; the Bible says that His Promises in Him are yea and in Him Amen.

When God has Promised, that is a Settled Matter.

In Numbers 23:19; it says that God is not a Man that He should lie, neither is He the Son of Man that He should repent. Once He has spoken, it is Settled.

Romans 3:4 says: Let all Men be liars but God will be True.

Psalms 119:89 says: Forever Oh Lord, thy Word is Settled in Heaven.

... Not here on Earth where Wind may blow it off.

I'm sure that you have seen several Streets in your Town whose names has been Changed - They gave your name to your Street, then they find Somebody who is Superior to you and they Change the name of the Street.

That is why we Thank God that our names are written in the Book of Life in Heaven - A New Government cannot come and Change that one.

Psalms 33: 8-9 says: Hey, the reason the whole Earth should fear God is because He Speaks and it is done.

When He speaks, it Stands firm - God is a God of Integrity.

Which will explain to you the quick Action He took in Joshua Chapters 7 and 8 - Because you may not understand fully why as soon as Joshua fell on his face and said: Lord, what am I going to do?

He came - Not only did He come, He told him what to do so that he can win battle.

Why? Because He remembered that He said in Joshua 1: 1-9 - I am going to be with you like I was with Moses.

Okay, you have messed up? Yeah, because I told you at that time that if you want to Prosper, the Word of God must not depart from your mouth.

Remember I told you, but I made a Covenant - You have caused me Pains by Stealing, by taking what I said is not yours; but Please do this for me so that my Covenant shall Stand.

2. Or you can go a little Deeper and consider David.

In the Previous Series (Part 45), we mentioned David and spoke about all the terrible things that he did.

But remember in 1 Samuel 16: 1-13 - When God said to Samuel: Go to the House of Jesse, I have found a King there.

And when they couldn't find a King among the seven (7) Big Boys; He said that he is somewhere there, go and get him.

In Acts 13: 20-22; God said: I have found a Man who will do all my Will and I am going to make him King.

And then came 2 Samuel Chapter 11; and David messed up Big Time - Brought some Pains to the Heart of God.

But God cannot say: How am I going to say that I didn't find a Man after my Heart, who will do all my Will? I said so.

That's why you will read in 2 Samuel 12: 1-13; as soon as the Man of God said to him that you are the Man.

David himself had already Passed Judgement on himself - The Man who did that one is going to die.

The Prophet said that you are the one. And David said okay, I am downfall.

Immediately, God said Thank You for making it easy for me to keep my Promise - And God had also taken away your sin.

Ha! So quick?

King Saul didn't do one-third of what David did and God said that you are rejected.

Why? Because it wasn't God who choose Saul - It was the People who said that they wanted a King and so He gave them a King. If the King mess up, we move him out of the way.

But in the case of David, He said that I have found a Man who will do all my Will.

And when he messed up, He said that we will take care of that - You will be Punished but we will continue as friends.

3. Let's take the case of Solomon.

And then consider also in 2 Samuel 7: 1-16 - When David said that I want to build a House for God. That was before he messed up.

And God said: Thank You. You are a Good Boy, you can't build a House for me because you have been a Soldier and your hands has been soiled with blood; but your son will build a House.

And concerning that your son, I will love him - I will never take my Mercy away from him like I did with Saul. That is what God said.

And there will always be a King on your Throne - Covenant Keeping God.

So, when Solomon messed up full time - Hey, that boy had so many wives so many concubines and so many idols.

The Almighty God said: Ha, I Promised David that there will always be a Ruler in his Line - 1 Kings 11: 11-13.

God said okay, Solomon I am going to tear the Kingdom out of your hands but I will leave a Tribe - Not because of you, useless boy o but because of David, my Servant sake.

Like Father like son - Be like your Father, be like God. Be a Man/Woman of Integrity.

4. Let's take the case of Jacob

In Genesis 27: 1-33 - You know the Story.

Jacob deceived his father and got the Blessings that should belong to Esau.

When the father discovered the mistake he had made, the Bible said that he trembled violently - Ha, I have made such a terrible mistake.

But do you know what he said? I have blessed him and he shall be blessed.

Don't forget that Isaac had the Ability to rain Curses upon Jacob - Jacob you did this to me your father? You deceived me?

And then He can begin to say that: Hey, this is what will happen to you - Your Children too will do like this to you etc.

No, the Man of Integrity said that I have blessed him and he shall be blessed.

Even when Esau now said: Have you only one Blessing? Can't you give something else?

He said that I have already made him your Lord.

5. Consider the case of Hannah

In 1 Samuel 1: 9-20 - God give me a son and I will give him back to you.

Didn't she? She did - 1 Samuel 1: 21-28.

She took the son to the Lord - And she said: Hey, I begged him of the Lord, let him go back to the Lord because I Promised.

Remember those few years when she was nursing the Child - At long last, I have a baby that I can carry about.

But she made a Promise.

And of course, you know the result - God gave her extra five (5) children.

You see in Ecclesiastes 5: 4-5 says: Hey, Pay your Vow.

When you made a Vow to God, Pay quickly - Prove to be a Man/Woman of Integrity.

And then, I will just take you just one little step deeper:

Out of this thing that we called "Integrity of God"; comes "The Law of Harvest".

Galatians 6:7 - You sow?

Oh God, the Almighty God will see to it that you will reap.

The Law of Harvest is so Solid because it is backed up by the Integrity of God - That God Himself operated that Law!

How? In John 3:16; the Bible said that God has only one Begotten Son.

But He wanted many children and so He applied the Law of Harvest so that according to Romans 8:29; the reason He sowed the Lord Jesus Christ is so that He can become the First Born of many Brethrens.

So, I am advising you - Based on the Integrity of the Most High God, sow in Famine - Genesis 26: 1-14

Sow even in Famine so that God can fulfil His Promise of Abundance for you.

Genesis 22: 15-18; God had made a Promise: Isaac, I will Multiply you.

So, when the Famine came in Genesis Chapter 26, and Isaac was about to move; God said that you don't need to move to anywhere - Stay where you are and let's work together.

You sow and I will Prpsper you so Mightily that even a Nation will become envious of you.

Let's Conclude:

Have you any Prophecy from God? - I want to assure you that it will come to Pass (Amen).

In Habakkuk 2:3 - It says: Has God given you a Vision? Hey don't worry; it may tarry but it will come to Past.

Why? Because God is a God of Integrity.

He Promised Abraham that you will be the father of many Nations.

Time Passed by, Nothing seems to be happening.

He said: Don't worry, I am still the Almighty God and I can use my Ressurrection Power to bring even the Dead back to Life - Romans 4: 17-20.

The body of Abraham was dead, the Womb of Sarah was dead but God said: I Promise you o and I will fulfil my Promise.

Consequently, I have Good News for all of you who are True Children of the Most High God - According to Psalms 30: 4-5; weeping may endure for a Night, Joy will come in the Morning.

As sure as Day follows Night, the Promise of God concerning your Life will be fulfilled - Amen!

ALTAR CALL

That is why, if you have not given your Life to Jesus Christ, you can see why I keep on crying to You - Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ.

Do so because you are missing a lot by not Surrendering your Life to Him.

There is a lot you can get from a God who is a God of Integrity.

So, if you will want to Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ, bow your Head now and call on Him and say:

Lord, I want to belong to You - Have Mercy on me, save my Soul and give me a Brand New Beginning just like You Promised.

Call on Him now and I will Pray with you for the Salvation of your Soul.

Thank You Father!

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to give You all the Glory and all the Honour.

You the Covenant Keeping God, the God who never lies and You the God that will fulfil all Your Promises.

I Thank You for Your Words today and I Thank You for all those who has decided to Surrender their lives to You.

Wherever they may be Lord, inclusive those reading now on the Label of DMC; Please receive them, and have Mercy on them.

Remember Your Promise that whosoever will come unto You, You will no wise cast out.

Receive them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away all their sins, add them to the Family of God and give them a Brand New Beginning.

From now on, anytime they call on You, Please answer them Speedily.

As for all of us who are already Your Children Lord; all Your Promises concerning our lives, Father bring them to Past very quickly.

Let our Night Change to Day and let Your Name be Glorified.

And the Grace for us also to be Men/Women of Integrity, Please release to us today.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ.

I can guarantee you because my God is a God of Integrity - A New Beginning starts in your Life today.

So, Please Contact me - Let me have your names, your Address and your Prayer Requests; and I Promised you that I will be Praying for you.

And Contact the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you - Tell the Pastor there that I sent you and he will tell you what to do next.

God Bless You!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 47 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 34): "UNIQUE MIRACLE"

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 16TH JUNE 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 10: 12-14

Let Us Pray!

SONG

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

Eternal Rock of Ages, the Unchangeable Changer, the Almighty God Himself - We Worship You.

We Worship You for all You have done for us in the Past; and we Worship You for what You will yet do for us.

We Thank You because we know that You are the Lord of Host and You have never, never lost a war. And so we know that with You on our side, we will always be More Than a Conqueror.

Please, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Father, Please send Your Words to Your Children today and fight their battles for them.

And today, in a very, very Special way; Perform Special Miracles in the lives of everyone.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Shake hands with one (1) or two (2) People and say: Good Day, God will bless you today.

And then, you may Please be seated.

As we continue in our Series: "For Whom The Heavens Open" and we get to Part 47.

In the Part 46 of this Series, we discussed the issue of Integrity in Joshua Chapter 9.

Today, we are moving on to Joshua Chapter 10!

And actually, the Story should go all the way from Verse 1 to the end. But for Specific Purpose, we will just be looking at Verse 12 to 14.

Joshua 10:12-14:

12. Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the Valley of Ajalon.

13. And the Sun stood still, and the Moon stayed, until the People had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the Sun stood still in the midst of Heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.

14. And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel.

The Almighty God will fight for you today - Amen.

Joshua Chapter 10 - If we are to take it Verse by Verse; it will Probably take us more than one Month.

But then, we have been on this Series now for 47 weeks - And we still have one or two more discussions on this before we move to another Series.

What happened if you read the Story from the beginning is that when the Kings around heard that their Neighbours had gone to make a Peace with Israel; they decided that we better act now.

So, all the other remaining Kings gang up together to attack those who had gone to make Peace with Joshua.

And when those ones heard that their Enemies are coming, they ran to Joshua and said: Well, we are allies now, Please come and help us.

And then God spoke to Joshua and said: Don't worry yourself, I will take care of the situation - I will fight for you.

And there, you will discovered that God was the first Person to throw Bombs in this Story.

Because when the Enemies of Israel were trying to run away; the Bible says that God began to smash their heads from rocks thrown from above.

But the Specific Section that we are discussing is where Joshua decreed that the Sun should Stand Still and the Moon should stay where it was.

Now, the Bible said that there had never been a day like that before and there had never been a day like that ever again.

There are many, many Lessons to learnt from Joshua Chapter 10:

1. Probably the first one that will be obvious is that the Enemies of your friends, are your Enemies.

If you have friends and if you have Allies; their Enemies automatically becomes your Enemies.

2. There is also a Statement there: "There had never been a date like that before or never been a day like that after".

This tells us about what we called "Unique Miracle" - Miracle that happens only once and then never again!

I'm Praying that God will give us a Miracle that is Unique today - Amen!

But when we talk of Unique Miracle - The Miracle that God has done only once before; you must not get the impression that what God had done before, He can't do it again.

Because according to Hebrews 13:8 - The Bible tells us that Jesus Christ is the same Yesterday, Today and Forever.

Miracle might be Unique but God is the Unchangeable Changer!

You must never allow the fact that there had been a Unique Miracle done for Someone to cause you to limit the Ability of God to do the same Thing or even better Thing for you.

Psalms 78:41 tells us that it is a sin to limit the Holy One of Israel.

Whatever He has done before, He can do it again!

Revelation 1:8 tells us that He is the Alpha and Omega; the Beginning and the Ending; the One who was, the One who is, the One who is to come; the Almighty.

If He had ever done anything Miraculous for Somebody before; He can do the same for you.

That is the "Real Reason" that we Share Testimonies.

If you hear Somebody sharing a Testimony of God reversing the Irreversible for Example; it is to encourage you that if He could do it for A, then He can do it for B.

We will give you just some few Examples from the Scriptures to illustrate these Points:

1. In Exodus 7: 8-12; the Bible tells us that Aaron threw down his rods before Pharaoh and it became a Serpent. The Magicians of Pharaoh threw down their own rods too and they became Serpents. And the Serpent of Aaron rod swallowed the Serpents of the Magicians and it then became a rod again.

I'm not quite sure that you have ever heard of rod turning to a Serpent, a Serpent swallowing other Serpents - You Probably not heard of that again since that moment.

But when you read Acts 13: 6-12; you find a Place where Paul the Apostles was Preaching to a Governor and there was a Sorcerer there disturbing him.

And the Bible said that Paul, full of the Holy Spirit confronted the Sorcerer and said: I Command you to be Blind for a Season because that Man could have died a Blind Man.

And with all his Sorcery, he couldn't resist because immediately, Darkness covered him and he moved out of the way.

Yes, rod had swallowed rods before; but here you find the Holy Spirit swallowing Sorcery.

The Almighty God can repeat what he had done before and take it to a Higher Level!

2. In Exodus 14: 21-28; when the Red Sea opened for the Children of Israel.

That Story is simply saying: God can make a way where there is no way before.

The Red Sea had never been opened like that again ever since that time.

However, when you look at John 11: 39-44 - When Jesus Christ got to the Tomb of Lazarus; the Sisters of Lazarus said: No Way! This Fellow didn't faint, this Fellow is not in a Comma, this one is not Someone who just died and is bring taking to the Burial Ground - He had been dead for 4 days and by now, he was rotten.

But God spoke a Word and suddenly there was a Way out of no way.

So, I'm believing God for Somebody today or reading now on the Label of DMC who might find himself/herself in a situation where Humanly Speaking there is no way; the One whose Name is the Way will make a Way for you - Amen!

3. In Joshua 6:20; the Children of Israel shouted one Big Hallelujah and the Wall of Jericho came down tumbling.

You Probably have not read again of People shouting and a Wall fell down.

But when you read Acts 16: 25-34; you will find two People singing Praises unto God loudly and the kind of Earthquake that brought down the Wall of Jericho attacked the Prison and all the doors were flung open. And their Number 1 Enemies became their Servant cooking for them and washing their wounds.

So, if a Wall can be brought down by Praise; Prison doors can be flung open by Praise!

4. And here we have Joshua 10: 12-14 (Our Bible Text) - Here we see the Sun and the Moon Stood Still. Something that had never happened before and something maybe you have not heard of it happening again.

But when you read Mark 10: 46-52 - When Bartimaeus cried for Mercy; the Bible said that Jesus Christ Stood Still.

And what does that mean?

It wasn't just the Sun and the Moon Standing Still; it was the whole Universe that Stood Still.

Why? Because according to Acts 17:28, the Bible says that it is in Jesus Christ that we move and have our being.

Everything that is alive - The whole Universe, revolves round the Lord Jesus Christ!

And so when He (That is Jesus Christ) Stood Still; the Universe Stood Still.

Until He began to move again; the Sun wasn't moving, the Moon wasn't moving - Nothing was moving!

Yes, the Sun and the Moon Stood Still for Joshua; but the Almighty God will Stand Still for you today - Amen!

5. In Daniel 3: 1-end; you will hear the Story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who went into the Fiery Furnace and came out of it unhurt and even Promoted.

And you say: What a Unique Miracle?

We have never read of another Fiery Furnace, we have never read of another three (3) People going in and coming out of a Fiery Furnace without any hurt and being Promoted.

But when you read Acts 2: 1-4; the Bible tells us about Fire coming down from God Himself.

This one was not a Fiery Furnace made by a King, but a Fire of God Himself.

It came down upon all the Apostles - And you know the results.

Oh, some fantastic things - They came out of that Upper Room with that Fire on them and Miracles upon Miracles began to happen.

But we will just pick one of them:

And talk about Peter - Who as a result of coming out of that Room filled with the Fire of God in Acts 5: 14-16; was Promoted to a Level where his Shadow can heal the Sick.

Now, that is Promotion - If you take a Fisherman, Passing through the Fire of the Holy Spirit and the result is that wherever he went, his Shadow began to heal the Sick.

That is "Real Promotion".

6. When you go to 1 Kings 17: 17-24; you will see God raising the Dead through Elijah.

When you go through the Scriptures, you will know that is the first time Somebody was raised from the Dead.

... its a First Time kind of Miracle.

But by the time you get to 2 Kings 4: 18-37; you will find the Almighty God repeating the same thing through Elisha.

So, if He has done it before, He can do it again!

If He has done it before for Somebody, He can do it for me!

And He made a Promise - And this is where you come in:

In John 14:12; He said that the works that I have done, you will do also and Greater Works than this shall you do.

The Almighty God said that:

☆ Have I raised the Dead before? You can raise the Dead.

☆ Have I casted out Demons before? You can do the same.

Whatever I have done before, can be repeated through you.

7. I mean in Mark 5: 25-34; the Hem of Jesus Christ's Garment brought Healings.to a Woman with the Issue of Blood.

But do you know that in Acts 19: 11-12; they were taking the Handkerchiefs and Aprons from Paul to People far away from him. And Demons will see his Handkerchiefs coming and Demons will run.

When the Woman with the Issue of Blood touched the Hem of the Garment of Jesus Christ; Jesus Christ was there - He was wearing the Garment.

In the case of Paul, he was sending his Handkerchiefs to go and do the Healings and bring about Deliverance.

What I'm trying to say to you today is that you should be ready for Wonders.

Be ready for Wonders that the Almighty God can do for you - That He can stop the Sun for you, stop the Moon for you and stop the Universe for you.

But even Greater Still - Be ready to be used of God because not only can He Perform Wonders for you; He can also Perform Wonders through you!

I will just remind you of two Stories so as to encourage your Faith that this God hasn't Change!

1. Years ago, I was invited to come and Preach in a Place called Denver Colorado in America in January. And if you know anything about Denver Colorado, you will know that in January, that Place can be cold

And I have asked God - Daddy, should I go? And He said that you will go.

Then, what are we going to do about this Winter because I don't like it cold?

And my Daddy took control of the situation - The few days that I was there; He brought in Summer. People were wearing T-shirt in January in Denver Colorado

I took off from Denver Colorado to return home 5pm of a Particular Day and the report that I got was that in less than 3 hours that we left, more than 10cm of Snow fell.

The Almighty God put Snow aside and said: My Son is here, stay where you are. After he has gone, you can come down.

DMC NOTES: Denver is the Capital and the most Populous City of Colorado, in the United States. Denver is a consolidated City-County located in the South Platte River Valley on the High Plains just east of the Front Range of the Southern Rocky Mountains. Denver is nicknamed the Mile-High City because its official elevation is exactly one mile, or 5,280 feet (1,609 m), above sea level. It is the second largest city in the Mountain West after Phoenix and has the tenth largest central business district in the United States.

2. And then like I shared with some of you who attended The RCCG Solemn Assembly 2024:

Last Year (2023), I was going to travel on a "Little Holiday" and we were already in the USA to go on a Cruise.

And then News came that a Mighty Hurricane was coming and it is getting Stronger and Stronger as it was approaching America.

From the Reports, it is going to be so Mighty that you won't even be able to come out of your house; talkless of Travelling.

But I spoke to my Daddy and He took Control.

And the Hurricane came close to America, close to where we were and bent upwards; and went up, up, up and then went back into the Ocean.

And so, we were able to travel without a Single Disturbance.

That God is still here:

☆ The God who stopped the Sun.

☆ The God who stopped the Moon

He is still your God!

Whatever He has to stop so that you will receive your Miracles will be stopped today in Jesus Name - Amen!

ALTAR CALL

Which is why again; I keep on appealing to those of you who has not Surrendered your Life to Jesus Christ - You don't know what you are missing.

Please Surrender to Him - Let Him take over your Life and whatever Problems you have, He can shake the Heavens, He can shake the Earth to solve the Problem.

He is the Almighty God and there is no one like Him.

So, if you want to Surrender your Life to Him, will you Please bow your Head wherever you are now and cry to the Almighty God.

And say: Please Lord, let me be one of Your Children.

I want to Surrender my Life to You - Please have Mercy on me, let Your Blood wash away my sin, give me a Brand New Beginning Lord and let me begin to enjoy everything a Member of Your Family can enjoy.

Go ahead and Pray to Him now!

Promise Him that from now on, you will serve Him and say bye bye to a Life of sin.

Thank You Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

And so my Father and my God; I am Praying for Your Children who have decided today that they are Surrendering their lives to You.

Father, Please receive them, have Mercy on them, let Your Blood wipe away their sins, and save their Souls Oh Lord.

Receive them into the Family of God, write their names in the Book of Life and every benefits that Children of God can enjoy, Please extend to them.

Lord from now on, anytime they cry unto You, answer them by Fire.

And as for them and all Your Children, today Lord God Almighty, as they cry to You in Prayer; whatever You have to do so as to make sure that they get Prompt Answers to their Prayers,

Please do it Lord so that Your Name will be Glorified.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ.

I want to Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

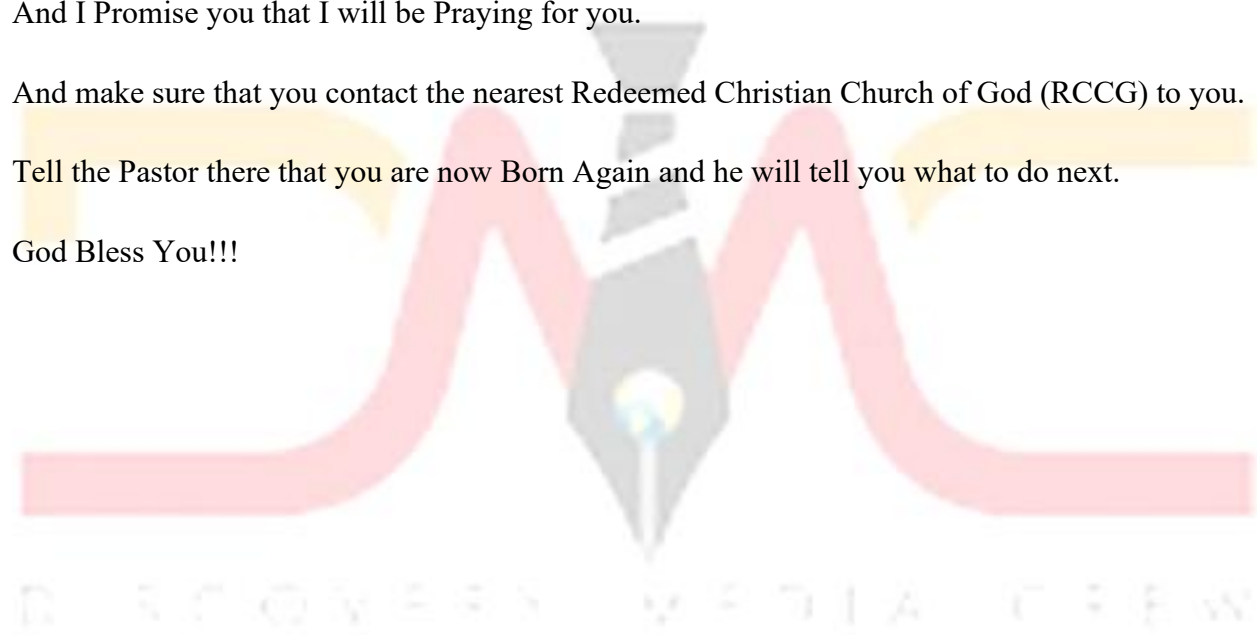
So,, I want you to Contact me - Let me have your name, your Address and your Prayer Requests.

And I Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

And make sure that you contact the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you.

Tell the Pastor there that you are now Born Again and he will tell you what to do next.

God Bless You!!!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 48 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 35): "LEAVE NO GIANTS IN ANY PART OF YOUR LAND".

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 23RD JUNE 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 11: 21-22

Let Us Pray!

SONG

He is a Miracle Working God
He is a Miracle Working God
He is the Alpha and Omega
He is a Miracle Working God

OPENING PRAYER

Ancient of Days, the Miracle Working God.

Your Children are Proud of You because we know that with You, all things are Possible.

And we ask Lord God Almighty to Please accept our Thanks.

Ancient of Days, I'm crying to You today for all Your Children - In all our lives Lord, Please do something Unique, do something Special, do something Miraculous and let Your Name forever be Glorified.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Prophecy to one (1) or two (2) People near you and say that: "Today will be a Great Day in Jesus Name" - Amen.

And then, you may Please be seated.

As we continue in our Series: "For Whom The Heavens Open" and we come to Part 48.

And we will move to Joshua Chapter 11.

And again, we will not read the whole Chapter but we will encourage you to do so on your own. And by now, you too might even be able to discover some things in every Verse.

But today, we will just take two (2) Verses - Verses 21 and 22: Joshua 11: 21-22.

21. And at that time came Joshua, and cut off the Anakims from the Mountains, from Hebron, from Debir, from Anab, and from all the Mountains of Judah, and from all the Mountains of Israel: Joshua destroyed them utterly with their Cities.

22. There was none of the Anakims left in the land of the children of Israel: only in Gaza, in Gath, and in Ashdod, there remained.

Joshua just went on rampage with the Almighty God backing me up - He was just conquering the Land.

And he came across the Giants - The Anakims, and began to wipe them out from Hebron, Debir, Anab, from all Mountains of Israel; Joshua destroyed them utterly with their Cities.

However, there was no more Anakims left in the Land except in Gaza, in Gath and in Ashdod.

If there is any Lesson that you must learnt from this Passage, it is: "LEAVE NO GIANTS IN ANY PART OF YOUR LAND".

... Joshua allowed Giants to thrive in Gath - Let us just pick Gath as an Example, and you know what that one led to.

Because years after Joshua had gone - In 1 Samuel 17: 1-16; a Giant came out of Gath and his name is called Goliath. And he terrorised the Nation of Israel for forty (40) days.

I. The error of one Man or the Act of Omission of one Man could lead a whole Nation into "Perpetual Slavery".

Because Goliath of Gath said to Israel in 1 Samuel 17: 1-16: Hey, send me one Man to fight me. If he defeats me, I will become your Slave; if I defeat him (And he was sure that he will), you will become our Slave.

Don't let us kill you - Just one Man to one Man!

If Goliath had won, a whole Nation would have gone into Slavery because of the Act of Omission of Joshua.

II. If Goliath had won, David would have lost his Kingdom.

Because in 1 Samuel 16: 11-13; David had just been anointed King.

It was in the Next Chapter now that the devil brought forth Goliath.

And if Israel had lost the battle against Goliath; there would have been no Kingdom for David to reign over.

And you know what? Our King of Kings - The Saviour, the Grandson of David would not have been able to come!

A Single Error of a Man could affect the whole Nation!

III. And when you read 2 Samuel 21: 15-24; out of Gath came another Giant that would have killed David before his time.

The Bible said that the Children of Israel went to war again. David went with them and one of the Giant from Gath when David became tired wanted to kill him.

Thank God that Somebody came to his rescue.

The Bible says in Galatians 5:9 - It says a little leaven, unleaven the whole lump.

In Matthew 15:13; the Lord said that every Plants that my Father had not Planted shall be rooted up.

... He didn't say some of the Plants; He said everyone of them.

2 Corinthians 6: 14-18 made it clear: Don't Compromise with evil.

When you say that something is not "Too Bad"; it is already Bad.

He said that you must be Separate.

Oh, he is my friend and we have been close for years. It is only that he is not a Child of God - Then that Friendship must stop until he becomes a Child of God.

Because 1 Corinthians 15:33 made it clear: Evil Communication corrupts Good Manners.

So, you are a Child of God and you are still in intimate Fellowship with Someone who you know is clearly on the side of the devil? - Watch it!

Proverbs 13:24 made it clear: You walk with Wise Men, you will be Wise. But the Companion of Fools shall be destroyed.

You must not Compromise and you must not let anything that is not of God remain in your Life!

1. CONSIDER NOAH

On the issue of just allowing a Little beer - I'm okay.

I have only one little Problem and one little habit - Afterall, I am a Human Being and Human Being cannot be Perfect.

Read about him in Genesis 6: 6-8 and then Genesis 9: 9-19 - It will tell you the whole Story of Noah.

At a time that God wanted to wipe out the entire Human Race, the Bible says that Noah found Favour with God.

What a Great Deliverance for him and his entire family?

But then, when you get to Genesis 9: 20-25; the Bible said that Noah began to drink just a little bit of Wine once in a while - Not too much.

It is just that one day, a little at a time just become a little "Too Much" and he became drunk.

He was lying naked in the Tent - One of his three (3) sons saw him and went to tell the other two (2) laughing: Come and see Papa o? Papa is lying naked.

The other two (2) covered the Nakedness of their father.

The Almighty God rescued you and your family when the whole world was wiped out. Just a little Wine at a time and with your own mouth Placed a Curse on one of them?

The devil is saying: You think God has rescued you? I will destroy one-third of your Heritage!

2. CONSIDER LOT

Consider the Great Deliverance - Genesis 19: 1-25.

You know how God rescued Lot and his family from Sodom and Gomorrah.

When he was even slowing down, the Angel grabbed him by the hand and say: Hey, let us go!

But then you know his end - In Genesis 19: 30-38; his two daughters said one to the other: We are not in a Town and we are hiding somewhere now where there is no Men. Let us make our father drunk so that he can sleep with us.

Lot with that Great Deliverance that he got from God; fathered two illegitimate boys - One for the Older daughter and one for the Younger daughter.

It was just a little Wine once in a while and the devil moved in and destroyed the entire Legacy of Lot.

If you go through the Scriptures and just follow the two sons that came through that illegitimate Association; and you will hear God Pronouncing curses upon curses upon the Heritage of Lot.

I have told you a Story before - That a Hunter went to hunt, saw a Leopard, killed the Leopard.

And after he killed the Leopard, he turned round and saw that there is a Little Baby Leopard left behind by the Leopard that he has killed.

And he took that Little Leopard home.

When the King saw him bringing in a Little Leopard, he said, No; you can't bring this kind of animal into the Village.

He said: Oh, this one is a Little one - It is harmless.

And so the Little Leopard began to live in the Village and it became a Pet to the first and only son of the Hunter - The boy could ride on the Leopard.

But the Leopard began to grow.

And one day, the son of the Hunter was riding the Leopard to the River - Just Playing on it.

And then he fell down from the back of the Leopard and his leg was cut open by a thorn and he began to bleed.

And the Leopard saw blood flowing - What is this? And licked the blood.

And suddenly, everything that made a Leopard a Leopard came to the front.

Before they knew what was happening, it has killed the son of the Hunter and it has come to the Village causing destruction right, left and center.

Because a Little Leopard will become a Big One and a Big Leopard will kill.

That thing that is in you that you are calling "Not Too Bad"; just a Little Habit - Get rid of it.

In 2 Corinthians 5:17 - What the Bible says is that: If anybody be in Christ, he is a New Creature; Old Things has Passed away, all things are to be made New.

... "All" and not "Small".

Colossians 3: 1-10 says: Hey, if you are really, really bent on going with Jesus Christ; you must put to death everything that is not Divine.

Galatians 2: 20-21; Paul said that I am Crucified with Christ.

When you are Crucified, then you must be dead - You must be dead to your Old Self.

Your Best Friend - The Lord Jesus Christ in Matthew 5: 28-30 warned you.

He said: If your Eyes will cause you to Stumble, Pluck it out; if your Right Hand is going to cause you to Stumble, cut it off.

That Little Weakness - Cry to God about it today that the Almighty God will take it away from you!

You need to know that the God we serve is a God of Details!

When you read Deuteronomy 28: 1-2; it stated clearly that you are to hearken diligently to the voice of the Lord your God, to observe and to do all that He Commands you.

... Not "Some" but "All".

As far as God is concerned, there is no room for Lukewarmness.

Revelation 3: 15-16 made it clear - You want to be cold, then be cold.

You don't want to be a Christian, alright Stand clear and let everybody know that you don't want to have anything to do with Jesus Christ.

You want to be on the side of God? Ha, He said that you must be so well known that everybody will know that this Fellow is for Jesus Christ.

It is either you are one hundred Percent cold or one hundred Percent Hot - He said that He will not tolerate one leg in the world and one leg in the Church!

So, if you are Lukewarm, He will spue you out of His Mouth.

The Bible made it clear - If you offend in one aspect of the Law; you offend in all.

As far as God is concerned, Half Obedience is worst than Disobedience!

If you don't want to obey Him, don't obey Him at all - But don't obey Him halfway and think that will be okay.

1 Samuel 15: 1-29 - The King Saul lost his Crown because of Half Obedience.

Ecclesiastes 10:1 tells you that dead flies can spoil a Good Ointment.

He said that you need to know: When you are a Man known for Wisdom, and known for Honour; a Single folly can destroy your Reputation!

Beloveth, the Sin of Omission can be Extremely Dangerous!

I have shared with some of us before:

In Luke 16: 19-31; the Bible tells the Story of a very Rich Man who was Celebrating - Everyday was Christmas. And there was this Poor Beggar with sores all over him.

The Beggar will come to the Table - Sit down at the bottom on the Ground and any crumbs falling down from the Table of this Rich Man, He will Pick it up and eat. And the dogs will come and lick his wounds.

And the Rich Man didn't chase him away and he didn't ask him not to eat the crumbs - He did Nothing; neither Good or Evil.

But because of his Sin of Omission; the Beggar died and went to Abraham's Bosom, and the Rich Man also died and went to Hell - For doing Nothing.

Joshua made a Great Error in allowing Giants to remain in Gath!

Don't make a Great Error today by delaying your Salvation because you know only today and only God knows tomorrow!

2 Corinthians 6: 1-2 made it clear: Now is the Accepted Time.

Today is the Day of Salvation - Don't leave it till tomorrow!

☆ Don't say that I will think about it.

☆ Don't say that I will do it at a Convenient Time - There is no Convenient Time like today.

It might be an Error of Omission, if you don't Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ now!

I. And you who knows that you have a Restitution to make; don't delay it till tomorrow.

II. You know that you can help Somebody, don't delay till tomorrow.

Don't leave any Giants behind in any Part of your Life because a Leopard will become a Big One.

The Error of Omission today can create a Problem for you tomorrow!

My Prayer to the Almighty God is that: He will let this Message sink deep into your Heart so that you will never delay again and you will never commit an Error of Omission again - Amen!

ALTAR CALL

As for those of you who will want to Surrender your lives to Jesus Christ; this is the Day and this is the moment.

Please bow your Head wherever you are and cry to the Almighty God:

Ask Him to have Mercy on you, ask Him to Please save your Soul, ask Him to forgive you today and save you today.

And Promise Him that from today onwards, you will serve Him.

Cry to Him and say: Lord, I have come; save me right now and I will serve You for the rest of my Life.

Thank You Lord!

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to say Thank You.

I want to give You all Glory and Honour for all those who has heard Your Words - Particularly those who has made up their Mind: No more Delay.

As they have come to You now, Please receive them, save their Souls right now, let Your Blood wash their sins.

Please Lord, write their names in the Book of Life right now, receive them into the Family of

God today and let them remain yours forever.

As for the rest of us who are already Your Children: Everything that we have been delaying, and everything we should do; Please Lord, even today give us the Grace to do them Promptly.

And every Little Giants living in our lives; my Father and my God, let them be put to death today.

So that very, very soon; we will have "Real Cause" to Glorify Your Name.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ:

I want to assure you that by the Grace of God; from now on, I will be Praying for you.

So Please Contact me - Let me have your names, your Address and your Prayer Requests.

And I Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

And then contact the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you - Tell the Pastor there that I sent you and he will tell you what to do next.

God Bless You - Amen!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 49 (CASE STUDY OF JOSHUA - PART 36): "GOD'S PURPOSE FOR MAN IS TIME BOUND".

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 30TH JUNE 2024

BIBLE TEXT: J9SHUA 13:1

Let Us Pray!

SONG

Immortal God
Invincible God
Immortal God
How Great thou Art

OPENING PRAYER

Father Almighty, we Worship You.

Immortal, Invincible, All-Wise God, the One who has no Beginning, who has no Ending - We Adore You Lord.

Thank You for Preserving us, Thank You that thus far You have helped us, Thank You because whatever You have done in the Past, You can always repeat it in the Present and even do more in the Future.

Please accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Today, as we Your Children gather before You; if there is anything in our Life that is not allowing our Joy to be Full, Please remove it today.

If there is anything in our Past that is waiting for us in the Future to cause us trouble; my Father and my God, Please Uproot it today.

Let our tomorrow be alright.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, you might want to Prophesy to the hearing of your Neighbour and say: "God is going to bless me Mightily today".

Let's be seated.

We want to continue with our Series on: "For Whom The Heavens Open" and we have come now to Part 49.

And our Bible Text for today will be Joshua Chapter 13.

And in Joshua Chapter 13, we will be discussing only one Verse - Verse 1 (Joshua 13:1).

Joshua 13:1 - Now Joshua was old and stricken in years; and the LORD said unto him, Thou art old and stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land to be Possessed.

It is one Passage in the Bible that the Almighty God will use to wake everyone of us up.

Because what God was saying here is: Joshua, I gave you an Assignment and now you are Old and you have not Completed the Assignment.

In Plain Language, God is saying: Joshua, you have failed me!

I Pray that none of us will fail God - Amen!

I have always said that if a Student were to Grade his Papers, he will score himself 100%. It is when the Teacher does the Grading that the Teacher will then be able to say: Ha, Ha; you didn't even score 50%.

It is very essential that you must know that the Testimony of God concerning you is what mattered - Not what you think of yourself, and not even what People are saying about you.

Oh, there is no Person like you? - You are the best of all fathers, there is no mother like you, no Singer like you, no Musician like you, no Teacher like you!

... What is God saying about you?

Because to us, Joshua was a Great Champion - I mean consider all he has done:

☆ He was the one that took over from Moses.

☆ He led the children of Israel to cross River Jordan.

☆ He was the one who led the children of Israel when they Pulled down the Wall of Jericho.

☆ And then, He Performed all kinds of Miracles, Signs and Wonders.

☆ He led the children of Israel to destroy Ai as well as destroying all the Enemies of all those

who became their Allies.

☆ And He wiped out many of the Giants with very few Exceptions.

And now, he is Old - According to Bible Scholars, he was 110 years Old when God spoke to him now:

Joshua, you are Old (God Himself said so) - If we are to look at this, we will spend some time because many of you when People tell you: Oh, you are looking Younger; God is counting the Year.

You can dye your hair black so that People will think that you are a Young Man - Don't worry, the Calendar in Heaven is turning.

You say: God is not interested in your days? Oh, He is!

We need to know:

1. Our God is a God of Purpose.

Revelation 4:11 - Everything that He made was for a Purpose.

Jeremiah 1: 4-5 - Before I formed you, God said that He knew you; while you are still in your mother's womb, He has already settled your Purpose.

In Jeremiah 29:11 - He said that you are brought into this world for a Particular End. And He called it "Expected End".

... You are created for a Purpose!

2. Because God is a God of Purpose, it means that you are Promoted for a Purpose.

A. If He has Promoted you, brought you to whatever Level you are now; it is for a Purpose!

If you don't believe me, read Romans Chapter 9 and see what God said concerning Pharaoh from Verse 17 - Pharaoh, He said: I raised you up for a Time like this; so that when I drowned you; the world will know who is the King of Kings.

B. When He Picks up a Man from Nothing and raises Him high; it is for a Purpose!

I. In 1 Kings 17:1; the Bible talked about Elijah - The Tishbite and of the Inhabitant of Gilead.

It didn't even mention his father's name - To tell us how little his Beginning was.

But you will discovered one funny thing about him (Elijah) - Even the very name was for a Purpose.

The Bible made it clear that when your Parents are naming you, He was right there behind the scene.

Because when you get to 1 Kings Chapter 18 - When Elijah Prayed and Fire fell down and the whole Nation was saying: Jehovah is Lord.

All they were saying is that: "Elijah means: Jehovah is Lord."

So, he came into the world even already bearing a name that is going to be chanted on Mount Carmel.

He was nothing but God turned him to a Prophet for a Purpose!

II. You know the Story of Moses!

When He was Pulled out of the water.

That Lady thought that she was just giving him a name for fun - Well, we shall call his name Moses because he was Pulled out of the Waters.

And you know the rest of the Story of Moses - His entire Life was Practically dominated by water:

☆ He turned water to Blood.

☆ He Parted the Red Sea.

☆ He turned Bitter Water to Sweet Water.

☆ He brought out Water out of the Rock.

☆ And you know what: He didn't even get to the Promised Land because of Problem with Water.

3. And you know very well that wherever God Places you, it is for a Purpose - You are Located for a Purpose.

You are not where you are allocated right now accidentally - It is for a Purpose!

Esther 4: 1-end; Mordecai said to Esther - You are a Slave Girl o, but now you are the Queen and living in the Palace. Who knows if it is not because of a time like this that God brought you to where you are.

Our God is a God of Purpose:

☆ He created you for a Purpose.

☆ He Promoted you for a Purpose.

☆ He Located you for a Purpose.

I. You can talk about Samuel - When God took him to the house of Eli.

If you read 1 Samuel Chapter 2; God has sent a Prophet to go and tell Eli: Hey, you are misbehaving - Your children are not doing my Will and you are not doing what you should do about them. I will fight you.

Eli said that it is a Prophet talking - Don't you know who you are talking to? I am the "Real Prophet" in the Land.

And then God spoke through the mouth of a child - If you won't hear from a Prophet, hear from a boy who has never even heard the Voice of God before and who was running to you sir saying: "You call me?"

II. And when you read 1 Samuel 16: 1-end.

After God Anointed David as King; He arranged for him to go and live in the Palace to begin to sing for the King so as to refresh him when he is being tormented by the Demons.

Why? So that David who has been a Shepherd Boy; may learnt the ways of the Palace - This is how you will behave when you become King; this is the Protocol.

The Crucial Thing about your Purpose is that it is tied to a Time Schedule!

There is a Time Limit for you to fulfill whatever Purpose God has for your Life - Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8.

You must do what God wants you to do within the Time He has Scheduled for you to do it.

I mean, imagine Jeremiah 8:20 - Imagine the cry of a Nation: They say that the Harvest is Past; Summer is gone and we are not saved.

There are many People in your Family who are gradually Passing to Eternity and they are not yet saved.

Why? Because you have not done what you are supposed to do.

God saved your Soul, Placed you in that Family to see to it that every Members of your Family at least will hear the Gospel.

And you haven't done much - Some of them are slipping away!

As far as God is concerned, in John 9:4 - The Lord Himself said that the Night cometh when no Man can work.

Work while it is Day because the Night is coming when no Man can work.

In Luke 13: 31-33; Jesus Christ said concerning a Particular King that was after His Life.

He said: Go and tell him that I still have three (3) more days to go.

He said that I will work today, I will work tomorrow and then I will work on the 3rd Day - After that one, then I can go home.

The Problem with you and I is that we don't even know how many days we have left.

Some People live to be 70 before they die; some never reach 40.

And until you finished your Assignment, if you die; you will get a Query when you get to Heaven.

And what is very important here Beloveth Children of God is that God is not interested in how much you have already done!

He is only interested in what is left undone.

Joshua had done a lot but God is saying that you haven't Completed your Assignment and you are Old.

In 1 Samuel 15: 1-29; it wasn't that King Saul doesn't wiped out the Amalekites; he got into trouble because he spared the King and some animals.

Remember that Paul said in Philippians 3: 1-14 - He said: All that were Gain to me, I have Surrendered it to Jesus Christ, that I may know Him et cetera et cetera.

He said that I have not yet finished o - I am forgetting everything that I have achieved in the Past and I'm Pressing forward.

Until we get to 2 Timothy 4: 6-8 - He said: Now, I have finished and I can go now.

It doesn't matter whether People believed it or not - God knows the Truth:

From the moment that I was 60 years Old, I started Preparing for my Retirement - I said 10 years to go!

But the Almighty God said that you haven't finished your Assignment - You can't go!

I thought that He will be Merciful that by the time I am 80 years Old, He will let me go - But He said: No!

As far as God is concerned - When He gives you an Assignment, you must fulfill it or else you will get a Query!

Not too long ago in our Open Heavens Daily Devotional; we Studied John 15: 1-16 - And I remembered very well that the Title was: "You have no Choice".

DMC NOTES: "You have no Choice - Parts 1 and 2" was the Title of the Open Heavens Daily Devotionals for Sunday, 24th March and Monday, 25th March 2024.

And I explained to my children during our Morning Devotion - I said Hey:

☆ You have no Choice on your Birth.

☆ You didn't choose who is your father or mother.

☆ You didn't choose where you will be born.

☆ You didn't choose the Colour of your skin.

☆ You didn't choose how tall or short you will be.

God choose all those for you.

☆ Whether you want to believe it or not; you have no Choice on when you are going to die - And that is also in the Hand of the Almighty God.

And He Choose you for a Purpose!

He said that you have not Chosen me but I have Chosen you that you will go and bear Fruits and make sure that your Fruit will abide.

Then if you fulfill your Purpose, anytime you cry to me; He said that I will answer your Prayers.

But He says that if you failed to fulfil your Purpose, you will Pay a very Heavy Price.

He said in Jhn 15: 2 & 6 - He said that if I choose you so that you can bear Fruits and you are not bearing Fruits; I will tear you off.

He said that when I tear you off; you will dry off and end up in Fire.

God wants us to wake up before He will come and remind us - You are Old, you are Stricken in Age and you haven't finished your Assignment!

And that is why the Bible says in Ephesians 5: 14-17 - He said: Wake Up! Redeem the Time because the days are evil.

Every True Child of God - Wake Up! You have done well, and you have done a lot - Congratulations!

But have done all that God expects you to have done at your Present Age? Because we don't know how much Time that we have left.

Let's fasten our belts - Let's go all out and bring in our Harvest because unless we finished all that God expects from us, His Testimonial will be that you are Old, you are well Stricken in years but you haven't done all that I asked you to do!

My Prayer is that when we will Stand before the Almighty God on the Last Day; what He will said to us is: Well done, thou Good and Faithful Servant; enter the Joy of your Lord!

ALTAR CALL

As for those of you who has not given your Life to Jesus Christ and you are saying: Oh, I am still Young and I have time, I want to enjoy myself for some time, and then I can consider giving my Life to Jesus Christ.

Ha, do you know how many years that you have to live?

Do you know how many days you have - Our days are Numbered.

So, if you have not Surrendered your Life to Jesus Christ; Please do so now.

So that the Almighty God can save your Soul, forgive your sins and He might even Graciously extend your Life.

He could give you an extra 15 years - He has done it before and He can do it again.

But you better receive Him now because tomorrow might be "Too Late".

So, if you want to give your Life to Jesus Christ; Please bow your Head and I will Pray for you - That God may save your Soul and that He will give you the Ability to fulfill the Purpose of God for your Life.

So, call on Him - Ask Him to save your Soul, have Mercy on you and Promise Him that from now on, you will serve Him.

Thank You Father!

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, once again we want to say Thank You for Your Words and we want to Thank You Specially for those who has decided that no more waiting and we want to Surrender our lives to the Almighty God.

Father Please receive them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away their sins this very Day, write their names in the Book of Life and from now on, let them begin to fulfill their Purpose.

When they cry to You, Please answer them by Fire.

And for all of us who are already Your Children, who had left several other things undone that by now we should have done; Please wake us up so that we can quickly redeem the Time and so that before we leave this world, we would have fulfilled all our Purpose on Earth.

Thank You Father and Glory be to Your Holy Name!

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

I want to rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ.

Thank You because, it is not "Too Late" for you yet.

And I want to Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

Please Contact me - Let me have your names, your Address and your Prayer Requests. And I Promise you that I will be Praying for you.

And then, as soon as Possible; visit the nearest The Redeemed Christian (RCCG) to you.

Tell the Pastor that you are now Born Again and he will tell you what to do next.

In the meantime - God Bless You!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 50 (CASE STUDY OF CALEB - PART 1): "WHO IS CALEB"?

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 14TH JULY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 14: 6-14

Let Us Pray!

SONG

My Lord You are Good
My Lord You are Good
My Lord You are Good
You are Good to me
You are Good.

OPENING PRAYER

Our Father and our God, we bless Your Holy Name because You have been Good to us.

Thank You because it is by Your Grace that we are saved; Thank You that we obtained Mercy from You; Thank God Almighty that it is because of Your Mercy that we are not consumed.

Thank You Lord God Almighty that today again we can gather together at Your Feet and learn from Your Words.

We give You all the Glory - Please, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Out of Your Mercy Lord God Almighty, from the little we are about to learn today; Perform Miracles in our lives, meet all our Needs Lord and let Your Name be Glorified.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, you might salute one (1) or two (2) People wherever you are - Shake hands with them and say that: "It is going to be well with you today in Jesus Name".

And then you may Please be seated.

We are moving on to Part 50 in our Series: For Whom The Heavens Open".

We have been Studying as you know the Life of Joshua and today we are moving Speedily to Joshua 14:6-14:

6. Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenazite said unto him, Thou knowest the thing that the LORD said unto Moses the Man of God concerning me and thee in Kadeshbarnea.

7. Forty years old was I when Moses the Servant of the LORD sent me from Kadeshbarnea to spy out the Land; and I brought him word again as it was in mine heart.

8. Nevertheless my Brethren that went up with me made the heart of the People melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my God.

9. And Moses swore on that day, saying, Surely the Land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

10. And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.

11. As yet I am as Strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my Strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

12. Now therefore give me this Mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

13. And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an inheritance.

14. Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenazite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel.

... What a Story!

In Life, Destinies are always connected!

There are People listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC; because in one way or the other, their Destinies are connected to mine!

And when you are Studying the Story of a Man, occasionally you learned from the Destinies of those who are connected to his own Destiny!

I mean for Example:

☆ The Destiny of David was connected to that of Samuel - That was a Positive Connection.

☆ The Destiny of David was connected to that of Saul - That was a Negative Connection.

We don't have the time to go into the details of "Connected Destinies"; but one thing that I can say for sure is this - When your Destiny is Positively connected to the Destiny of a Person, as that Fellow grows, you grow!

So, those of you whose Destinies are connected to mine Positively; as I grow, you will grow - Amen!

The Greater I become, the Greater you will become!

When Destinies are connected Negatively - When Someone's Destiny is connected to another Man's Destiny in a Negative manner and that Fellow is doing his best that he could to destroy the one that God in one way or the other linked him with; the result is always like the Proverbs of the Elders, when they say that: The moth that says that it wants to Pull out the flame is going to be burnt.

So, if there is anyone whose Destiny is connected to yours Negatively; if there is anyone in one way or the other trying to destroy you while you are connected to God, you should Pray for Mercy for such a Fellow because like I have said before, our God is a Consuming Fire.

The Destiny of Caleb was connected to that of Joshua Positively!

And believe me honestly, in Studying Caleb - Which we will only study for a couple of weeks; we are Studying him because he is connected to Joshua.

You will be amazed how connected is your Destiny to that of Caleb - It is one of the Mysteries of God!

Caleb who lived and died thousand of years even before Jesus Christ was born, somehow can be very Good Lesson for us!

So, the Question then is: "WHO IS CALEB?"

1. Caleb was a Chosen Man.

Numbers 13: 1-20; Caleb in the Story, as he was relating it to Joshua; was one of those Chosen to go and spy the Promised Land.

He was a Chosen Man - Out of a whole Nation, twelve of them were Chosen to go and spy the Promised Land.

And you know what? You are a Chosen Person too.

1 Peter 2:9 says: You are a Chosen Generation.

If you have been following our Studies in the Open Heavens, you will remember a time when we Studied Ephesians 2: 8-10 - We are told that by Grace we were saved.

You are saved by Grace - Not by your Ability, not by your Efforts, not by your works.

Because the Word of God made it clear - Even if the Children of Israel are like the sand of the sea, only a Remnant will be saved.

If you are a Child of God today:

☆ You are not saved because you know how to Pray? As a matter of fact, before you are Born Again, you really didn't know how to Pray much.

☆ You did not choose Christ but He choose you.

He said Specifically in His Words that no Man can come unto Him except the Father draws him.

And according to the Word of God, you have been Chosen even before the Foundation of the world.

So, if you are Chosen before the world was formed, definitely you have nothing to do with the Chosen.

So, when occasionally we heard People say: "When I found Christ"; we laughed - Christ wasn't lost; it was Christ who found you.

And when you consider Matthew 22:14; remember that the Bible says that: Many are called but few are Chosen.

Oh, how Grateful you should be that you are among the few Chosen!

Caleb is a Chosen Man; you and I are also Chosen.

You are not the only one who heard the Gospel the day you heard it - When something told you to surrender your Life to Jesus Christ today, when the Force was Strong and you couldn't resist it; it was God in Action.

So, when you see some People - It doesn't matter what Sermon they have heard, that they still refused to Change; maybe you need to understand that it is by the Grace of God that you too Surrendered your Life to Jesus Christ.

2. Caleb was a Bringer of Good News and Good Reports.

Twelve People were sent out, ten brought Evil Report.

And if you study Numbers Chapter 13 very well, you will discovered that, that day when they returned; the one who spoke for God was Caleb.

It will interest you to know that it was only in the following Morning that Joshua said that I Support what Caleb said.

Caleb was the first Fellow who says: Hey, we can win the battle and we can Possess the Land.

You say: Why was Joshua silent that first Night?

Well, Joshua had realised that whenever there is a war, Moses will climb to the Mountain Top and say: Joshua, go and fight.

Joshua had fought before.

And believe me honestly, he also saw the Giants and saw that these People are bigger than the People he fought before.

Isaiah 52:7 tells us how beautiful on the Mountain are the feet of him that brings Good News.

You are to be a Bringer of the Good News - A Preacher of the Gospel!

And I'm sure you know what the Gospel means?

Gospel simply means: "Good News".

You remembered Act's 8: 5-8 - That Philip was a Bringer of Good News.

He brought Good News to a City and the whole City became Full of Joy.

You have an Assignment - Go to your Hometown and take the Good News there.

It is Good to Preach the Gospel in the City where you are dwelling but don't forget your Village - Go there and bring them Good News!

I have a lot of my children now - On a Yearly basis, they go to hold a Crusade and they call it the Name of their Village.

For Example: Ifewara for Christ, Oke Igbo for Christ etc because Charity must begin at home.

3. Caleb was a Man who has his eyes focused in the Right Direction.

There are Giants in the Land - The People who went with him said: Oh, we are like Grasshoppers in the eyes of those People. And even in our own eyes, we are like Grasshoppers compared to their size.

But Caleb eyes are fixed on God and not on the Giants.

Oh, he said that they are bread to us.

His Colleagues said the Land there ate her inhabitants.

If the Land is eating her inhabitants, how come there are Giants there?

So, we learnt a Big Lesson from Caleb:

☆ Where are your eyes focused?

☆ What are you focusing on?

Because the eyes are very Powerful Organ of the body; and so what you are focusing on can determine your Destiny!

When you read Genesis 3: 1-6; the Original sin came because Eve saw the Fruit - That it was beautiful, it was Good to look at, and that's why she fell for the Temptation of the devil.

She took one of the Fruit and then pass it on to the husband.

When you read Genesis 13: 5-13; when Abraham said to Lot: Look, we are Relatives and we shouldn't be quarrelling over Land. You choose any direction that you want and I will go in the opposite Direction.

The Bible said that Lot lifted up his eyes and he saw that Plain that was beautiful - Even though it was towards Sodom and Gomorrah, he chose that Plain.

You knew the end result - Everything that he took to Sodom and Gomorrah, he didn't bring anything out.

When you read Joshua 7: 1-end as we have Studied earlier; you will read the Story of a Man called Achan.

Why did he get into trouble? How come he took what God said belonged to Him?

The Bible said that he saw - He saw a wealth of Gold, some Babylonian Garments and then he decided to steal Part of these things.

You know the end result?

Himself and his entire family Perished in one day.

When you read 2 Kings 5: 20-27; you will read the Story of Gehazi.

Gehazi could have Probably be the Greatest Prophet of the Old Testament but he saw the Wealth of Naaman.

And so he decided that if my boss doesn't want this, I will go after this Man and get something.

He got the Money, he got the raiment and got the Leprosy.

We can continue and even mentioned Samson.

You know that Samson is always looking - That is why when finally when the Enemies caught him, the first thing that they did was that they Plucked out his eyes.

But the eyes can be leading you in a Good Direction depending on what you are looking at.

Like in Genesis 13: 14-18; God said to Abraham after Lot had departed - Alright, that which he has left for you; walk up and down the Place, as far as your eyes could see, I will give it to you.

In 1 Samuel 17: 24-51; David was not looking at Goliath, but he was looking at the Reward that will come.

He kept on asking the People - What will be given to the Man who will kill this Fellow Blaspheming God?

In 2 Kings 2: 9-15; when Elijah said to Elisha - What do you want me to do for you before I will be taking away from you?

He said that I want a Double Portion of your Spirit.

Elijah said that you have asked for a Hard Thing, but if you see me,

And you know that he saw him and you know what he got.

This is why in Colossians 3: 1-4; God said: Focus on Things above and not on things beneath.

In Hebrews 12: 1-2; the Bible says: Looking unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of your Faith.

4. Caleb was a Courageous Man.

When we talk about Courage, we are talking about you - That even though you see something that is frightening, you refused to yield to fear!

That is what is called Courage - Refuser to yield to Fear.

Remember that is what God told Joshua in Joshua 1: 1-9 - When Joshua was trembling before God, three times God said: Joshua, be of Good Courage.

Let's learn from Caleb - He was a Man of Good Courage.

There are a several things around us everyday trying to fight us; there may be many more in our Journey to Heaven that will try to frighten us, but be of Good Courage and don't look at what is trying to frighten you but look unto Jesus - The One who has never lost a war.

5. Caleb was a Man of Rugged Faith.

Hebrews 11:6 tells us: Without Faith, it is impossible to Please God.

You must trust God, believe in Him and He won't let you down.

Hebrews 10:23 says: Hold fast the Profession of your Faith and don't waver.

Why? Because He is Faithful He that Promised.

... The Almighty God is Faithful!

I have told you before the Story of how my Sunday School Teacher - Now of Blessed Memory; he was the one who really taught me Faith.

He wasn't teaching Faith with all kind of Theological Terms - All he did was just to give an Example.

He says that if a father is downstairs and the child is on the Balcony on a Storey Building, looking down.

And he says to his father: Should I jump?

He says that if the Father says: Jump, then he will jump.

Why? Because he knows that the father will catch him.

That's all he said way back in 1973 and I got that one.

And from that day onwards, I have been jumping - Knowing fully well that underneath are His Everlasting Arms.

I have not hit the Ground yet and I know that I will never hit the Ground.

So, you too keep Jumping - Faithful is He who has Promised. He will not fail us.

6. Caleb is the one who followed Holy and Completely.

According to Revelation 3: 15-16; God said: Hey, make up your Mind - If you want to be cold be cold; if you want to be hot be hot. But He said, I don't want anything Lukewarm.

My Beloveth, stop following God halfway - Throw everything you have into following Him.

Be one hundred Percent Hot for Him and He will see you through!

7. Caleb is the Chosen one who made it at last.

When you read Numbers 14: 24-38; the Bible tells us that all those People who went to spy the Land and the People who decided to follow their Evil Reports, Perished in the Wilderness.

But Caleb and Joshua lived still.

It is not everyone who is Chosen who will make it.

Acts 1: 15-20 tells us that Judas Iscariot was also Chosen but he didn't make it.

Matthew 7: 21-23; Jesus Christ said that not everyone who says to me Lord, Lord; that will make it to the Kingdom of God.

He even said that even those who will say that we even Performed Miracles in Your Name, He will say: Sorry o, I don't even know you.

My Prayer for you is that: Those of you who are already following the Lord, will finish well - Amen!

Those of you who are yet to Surrender your Life to Him, Please do so now!

In Matthew 11: 28-30; He said: Come unto me, all ye that Labour and are heavy lamented and I will give you rest.

But He added a Condition - He said: You must take my Yoke upon you.

If you have to follow me, then you have to do it wholeheartedly!

ALTAR CALL

So, I appeal to those of you who are listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC; who are yet to Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ - Do so now!

But Please remember - When He comes into your Life, He will not come to become a Tenant as He will Come to become your Landlord.

When you Submit to Him, He will take over Complete Control - Take that into consideration even as you Surrender your Life to Him today.

So, if you want to Surrender your Life to Him; Please bow your head wherever you are and cry to Him and say: Lord, I Surrender all to You. Please come and be my Lord, come and be my Saviour, come and be the Controller of my Life and I will serve You till the very end,

Go ahead - Pray that Simple Prayer and He will save your Soul and everything will become New.

Thank You Jesus!

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

And so my Father and my God, I want to bless Your Holy Name once again for Your Words and I want to bless Your Name especially for those who has Chosen to Surrender their lives to You today.

Please receive them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away their sins, receive them into the Family of God, give them a Brand New Beginning and don't let ever go back.

From now on, when they cry to You, Please answer them by Fire.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I want to rejoice with those of you who has Surrendered your Life to Jesus Christ today.

And Please Contact me as soon as Possible and I Promise You that I will be Praying for you.

I will advice that you seek for the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) nearest to you - Tell the Pastor there that I sent you as you have just given your Life to Jesus Christ and he will tell you what to do next.

God Bless You!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 51 (CASE STUDY OF CALEB - PART 2): "OLD SOLDIERS NEVER DIE".

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 21ST JULY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 14: 6-14

OPENING PRAYER

Ancient of Days, we give You all the Glory; the One who has no Beginning and who has no Ending, we Worship You.

Thank You for choosing us even before the Foundation of the world - We Worship You.

And we can never Thank You enough for the Salvation of our Souls and Thank You because we received Mercy from You.

Father, Please accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Today again as we come to Study at Your feet, we Pray that You will speak to us.

And as Your Word is coming forth, let it bring Healings with it; so that at the end of it all; all of us will have even Greater cause to Praise You.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, shake hands with one (1) or two (2) People and say: I Thank God for your Life and I Thank God for the Salvation of your Soul.

And then, you may Please be seated.

We move on to Part 51 of our Series on: "For Whom The Heavens Open".

You know that we have been Studying Joshua as an Example - And we have been on it now for more than a Year (DMC NOTES: You can always visit our User Friendly Website: www.discoverymediacrew.com to access all the Previous 50 Series done so far on this Topic and infact all the Previous Weekly Sunday Online Series since its commencement in Year 2020 as well as all Programs of RCCG and other Ministries for your Reading and Spiritual Growth sake)

And we read a Passage in the Last Series (Part 50) - And we are going to read it again today.

Joshua 14:6-14:

6. Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest the thing that the LORD said unto Moses the Man of God concerning me and thee in Kadeshbarnea.

7. Forty years old was I when Moses the Servant of the LORD sent me from Kadeshbarnea to espy out the Land; and I brought him word again as it was in mine heart.

8. Nevertheless my Brethren that went up with me made the heart of the People melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my God.

9. And Moses swore on that day, saying, Surely the Land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

10. And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.

11. As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my Strength was then, even so is my Strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

12. Now therefore give me this Mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the Cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

13. And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an Inheritance.

14. Hebron therefore became the Inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel.

In the Last Series - Part 50,, we spoke about:

☆ Connected Destinies.

And we said that the Destiny of Caleb was connected to that of Joshua.

☆ And we spoke about Positively Connected Destinies and Negatively Connected Destinies.

And I remembered that I Prayed for those of you - That because your Destiny is connected to mine Positively; as I grow then you will grow too.

I also Prayed that: If there is anyone whose Destiny is Negatively Connected to yours; who may in one way or the other trying to destroy your Destiny; that his situation will be like a moth trying to put out the flame of fire - The Consuming Fire will take care of the situation (Amen).

We have a lot of Lessons to learn from Caleb but we need to quickly move on because we don't want to spend more than 4 Series on Caleb.

Caleb made a Statement - He said: When Moses sent me out, I was 40 years Old but now, I am 85 years Old.

And he said that: As Strong as I was then, so I am now - Both for war, to go in and to go out.

... That's a serious Statement!

So, we can learn a "Big Lesson" from Caleb that: "OLD SOLDIERS NEVER DIE".

You say: How does that concerns me?

Oh, you are a Soldier of Christ - The Bible says that you are Called to be a Soldier.

☆ The Lord that you are following is not a Civilian - He is called "The Lord of Host".

☆ The God that you are following is called "The Man of War".

... And so, you are a Soldier!

And that brings us to one Major Statement: "Age is no Barrier to a True Christian".

You cannot give Old Age as an excuse for not serving God Wholeheartedly, Powerfully and Energy Energically.

1. How Old are you in the Hand of the One who according to Micah 5:2 - The One who is called "The Ancient of Days"?

... That's your God!

2. How Old are you in the Hand of the One who is called "The Alpha and Omega"? - Revelation 1:8.

3. How Old are you in the Hand of the One who has been before the Mountains were brought forth?

Are you as Old as the Mountains?

Incidentally, because He existed before the Mountains, He knows the Foundation of every Mountains.

And so, there is no Mountain(s) in your Life that He doesn't know the Foundation thereof.

There is no Problem that you are facing that occurred when God wasn't around.

That is why the Bible says in Mark 11: 22-24 - If you have Faith in God, you can move any Mountain.

Because your God knows the Foundation of the Mountain, He can uproot it from the very Foundation.

4. How Old are you before the One who knows the End from the Beginning?

In Acts 15:18; the Bible says: Known unto God are all His works from the Foundation of the Earth.

Are you going through any Problem now? Hey, Congratulations as you are going to have a Testimony soon - Amen!

Don't ever listen to anyone who tries to threaten your Future - Your Future is not in the hands of any Man!

The One who controls your Future is the Omega!

Unless you can find someone who says that his name is Omega - And you won't find.

You have never seen any Man so audacious as to name his child "Omega" in the History of the world - And you won't find one.

If you find one, then you know that the Fellow must be crazy.

There is only One Person whose Name is "Omega" - And He controls your Future!

So, it doesn't matter what is happening, He said in Isaiah 3:10 - Say ye to the Righteous that it shall be well with him.

On the Foundation of that Scriptures alone, I decree to all of you listening to me or reading now on the Label of DMC - Your Destiny will be alright (Amen).

So, stop Worrying!

Colossians 1:27 says clearly: "Christ in you, the Hope of Glory".

The other day, I was explaining to my children in the Morning Devotion; God said two times in Joel 2: 25-27 - He said that my People shall never be ashamed.

Don't worry about those who might be speaking Blaspheming and trying to destroy you!

Hey, leave them alone - God said that: "My People shall never be ashamed".

We also learnt from Caleb that God can make 85 years look like 40 years.

He said that I was 40 years Old when he sent me out, and now 85 years Old - I am still as Strong then as I am now.

Stop believing the People who said that the Problem you are having is because you are growing Old!

If you agree with them, then you are growing Old!

Rather, agree with God!

Psalms 103: 1-5 tells us that He can renew your Age like that of the Eagles'.

It was because you swallowed the lie that the Problems you are having is because of Old Age; that is why the Problem remained!

How Old are you?

The Word of God says clearly in Deuteronomy 33:25 - He said that as your days, so shall your Strength be.

If that Statement is true - Then, the Older you get, the Stronger you should be!

I was talking to some of my children not too long ago; when they began to say that Daddy is 82 years Old - They are making "82" sounds like "820".

Who told you that I am Old?

I'm getting Younger by the day - Whether you like it or not, it doesn't matter.

Deuteronomy 34:7 says that at the Age of 120 years, Moses was still as Vigorous as ever.

The God of Moses is also my God and your God too.

He says in Isaiah 40:31 - It says that they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their Strength.

Meaning that: They shall be made Fresh.

Not only can God make 85 years looks like 40 years; He said in His Words that with Long Life will I satisfy you - Psalms 91:16.

So, don't agree with those that said that you are about to die! You are not dying until you are satisfied and then you can go.

In Philippians 1: 23-25; the Bible made it clear that you can even discuss with God your Departure!

Paul said that I have to choose between two things - Do I go now or do I stay?

And all those who thinks that your being around is hindering them, they are not Wise because if you are serving God, the longer you live, the better for those who are coming behind.

I have always said to my children - Where I stopped, is where you will start.

... And I still have a long way to go!

And by the Special Grace and Mercy of God, at my Age; there are doors that will open to me that can't open to any Young Man.

And yet these doors must be opened so that the Younger ones can enter in.

That is why I kept on telling the Younger Ones - Thank God for what God is doing through you but never forget that you are climbing on the shoulders of some People.

And until you get to a certain Height where the Elders will say, you will no longer be afraid; you better Pray that the shoulders you are Standing on will remain Strong!

Thank God for the Youths - I love them as they are full of Strength, Vigour and all manners of "Beautiful Innovations".

But like I have always told those of them who are close to me - Those of us who are Old, you think that we are Outdated and Fixed.

It is a Great Thing to be Fixed - Because in the Olden Days, when there wasn't Good Compass;

when you travel by Ocean and you will go far away from home, there is a Group of Stars called "Northern Stars" - You only see them at Night.

When everything is dark, the Northern Stars will be out there - It is always in the direction of the North.

So, when you don't know where to turn; you look at the Northern Stars and you know that is the North.

And then you can check - Whether you came from the East or South East; and from the Northern Stars, you will be able to find your way home.

DMC NOTES: The North Star isn't the "Brightest Star" in the Sky, but it's usually not hard to spot, even from the City. If you're in the Northern Hemisphere, it can help you orient yourself and find your way, as it's located in the direction of true North (or Geographic North), as opposed to Magnetic North.

The Message of today is Specially for the Young ones - And the Young ones are those of you Younger than 120 years Old.

Then I gave the Young ones the illustration:

That once upon a time, when you are wearing your face cap, you will wear it with the Sharp end forward.

After some times, they said that it should be the sharp end facing backward - And so, everybody began to wear face cap backwards.

After some times, they said: No, it should be towards the right and after some times they said that it should be towards the left.

And after some times, you don't even know which direction to turn.

Go back to those of us who never stopped wearing our own face cap forward!

Thank God for the Elders - When you don't know where to turn again; check where the Elders are facing!

God Bless the Youths - I hope they get that Message!

And He says that you can even discuss your Departure with Him - He will inform you before you leave.

2 Peter 1:14 - If you are a True Child of God, God will discuss with you before you go.

Peter said that the Lord told me that I will soon be leaving.

Now, if He can discuss with you the Time of your Departure, He does that so that you can have an opportunity to Negotiate.

Isaiah 38: 1-8; He told Hezekiah: Put your house in order, you are about to go.

Hezekiah said that I don't want to go - God, You know that I am serving You and I am not satisfied yet.

So, God said that it is me who said that you are going; I will give you another 15 years.

... It is there in the Bible!

Some People don't like it when I said to them that your Days are Numbered!

All our Days are Numbered - Everybody: Young and Old, our Days are Numbered.

But it is within the Power of the Almighty God to give you extra 15 years!

So, those of us who are Old; stop using Old Age as an excuse for not serving God fully!

Why? Psalms 92: 12-15, He says clearly that even in Old Age, you can still be bearing Fruits.

How come then that I am not as Strong as I used to be?

Well, if you have reached that Conclusion - No Problem!

But in Job 32:7; He says clearly that as you grow Older, you can become Wiser.

He said: Old Age should teach Wisdom - You gain from Experience.

There are certain Experience that are not taught in Schools, and there are certain Experience that you can only gain by Living Long.

When People say that I tell a lot of Stories, I told them it is because I have Stories to tell - Because I have gone through certain things, I have gotten Personal Testimonies and some that I heard before.

And Proverbs 4:7 says: Wisdom is the Principal Thing; with all your getting get Wisdom.

And according to Ecclesiastes 9:16; Wisdom is far, far better than Strength.

Proverbs 20:9 says: Hey, the Young are Strong, the Glory of the Youth is their Strength.

But Ecclesiastes 10:10 says: Wisdom is Profitable to direct.

So, you are getting Old? Then cooperate with the Young Ones who are Strong and direct them in the Right Direction.

You know that the Bible says in Ecclesiastes 7:19 - It says: A Wise Man can be Stronger than ten Mighty Men.

So, those of you who are Elders, who are Probably envious of the Young Ones and consider them as a threat - No, you should befriend them, guide them in the Right Direction and you will end up becoming Stronger than ten Mighty Men.

So, Proverbs 3:35 says: The Wise shall inherit Glory.

Elders, be Wise and at the end of the Day, you will inherit Glory!

Proverbs 11:30 tells you: He that winneth Soul is Wise.

And you know what? Winning Soul is not a matter of Strength but a matter of Wisdom.

You can't force anybody to be saved - It takes Wisdom to Present the Gospel.

Proverbs 13:20 says: You want to be Wise, then walk with the Wise.

Elders, Fellowship together:

☆ Let Wisdom from one Elder be transferred to another Elder.

☆. Collect Wisdom like you are collecting Treasures,

Let me Close by reminding you of what Jesus Christ said in Matthew 7: 24-27 - He said that if You really want to know a Wise Person; a Wise Person is the one who hears my Words and will do them.

He said that a Fool is the one who hears my Word and will not do it.

So even if you are Young, you can be Wise by doing the Word of God and not by listening to Theories.

As Young ones, you will hear all manners of Theories - We will hear People talk to us about what the Bible saying it in Greeks and Hebrews.

That's fine - It is beautiful to hear all manners of Preaching.

You are exposed to all manners of Preaching because you have the Internet, YouTube and all manners "Tubes".

But the important thing is: Do the work of God - Just do what God says.

Peter said something that I have always found very interesting.

He said: Listen, I am not highly Educated and I don't know as much as Paul - Paul has a lot of things to say, many of which even I did not understand.

He said, but one thing that I know is; it is written: "Be Holy as I am Holy".

He said that I don't know the rest - I don't know all these Theologies but I know fully well that the One who called me said: "Be Holy as I am Holy".

And I am saying the same thing to you - Young and Old; be Holy for the One who called you is Holy. Because without Holiness, no Man shall see God.

... Just be Holy - That's enough and you will make it to Heaven!

ALTAR CALL

So, those of you who has not given your Life to Jesus Christ, unless you get your sin washed away by the Blood of the Lamb, you won't see God.

It doesn't matter all the Theological Gymnastics that you are exposed to, without Holiness, you won't see God.

And so, if you want to see God on the Last Day; why don't you cry to God today and say: Please, save my Soul, and wash away my sins.

Shall we Pray as you bow your heads,

Call on Him and say: Please have Mercy on me - Just let Your Blood wash away every sins and I will serve You for the rest of my Life in Total Obedience.

Thank You Father!

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You once again for Your Words and I want to Thank You for all those who has heard these Words and they have made up their Minds that they want a Life of Holiness.

I am asking Lord God Almighty that today, Your Blood will wash away their sins, You will save their Souls and give them the Grace from now on, to obey you in every situation so that they will be able to live Holy for You and see You on the Last Day.

And Please Lord, as You wash away their sins; let there be no more Hindrances to their Progress.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now I will rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ - Please, contact me as soon as Possible.

Go to the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you and tell the Pastor that you have just given your Life to Jesus Christ and he will tell you what to do next.

God Bless You - I will see you in Heaven one day!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 52 (CASE STUDY OF CALEB - PART 3): "REMIND GOD OF HIS PROMISES".

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Let Us Pray!

SONG

What a Mighty God we serve
Hallelujah
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Hallelujah
Heaven and Earth Adore Him
Even Angels bow before Him
What a Mighty God we serve

OPENING PRAYER

What a Mighty God You are, our Father and our God?

You are so Great - So Big and Powerful that You can take care of everybody on Planet Earth.

As many as we are, Your Power is Sustaining all of us - You are feeding us, feeding all the animals, feeding all the birds, feeding all the fishes.

You are sending Your Son to warn us - Both Sinners and Saints alike.

You make sure that Night will follow Day so that whether our bodies like it or not, we have an opportunity to rest.

We Worship You Lord - What a Mighty God we serve.

Please accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Today, as we gather before You again, in all our lives; demonstrate Your Almightyness - Let all our Needs be met and continue to be Merciful unto us.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, greet your Neighbours - And say: It is going to be extremely well with you today in Jesus Name (Amen).

And then, you may Please be seated.

We are now moving on to Part 52 in our Series: "For Whom The Heavens Open".

And we have been using Joshua as our Case Study.

But then, a couple of Series ago, we came across the Study of Caleb - Whose Destiny is connected to that of Joshua.

We have read a Bible Text from Joshua 14: 6-14.

But today, we are going to read from Verse 9 - Joshua 14: 9-14.

9. And Moses swore on that day, saying, Surely the Land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

10. And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.

11. As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me: as my Strength was then, even so is my Strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

12. Now therefore give me this Mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the Cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

13. And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an Inheritance.

14. Hebron therefore became the Inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenazite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel.

... This Place is loaded.

But the Section that we want to look at here is in Verse 9 really.

He was telling Joshua - He said that you heard and you were there when Moses swore on that day saying: Surely, the Land whereon thy feet had trodden shall be thine Inheritance and thine children forever.

We want to learn a very big Lesson from Caleb here - And that Lesson is: "REMIND GOD OF HIS PROMISES".

Isaiah 43:26; the Almighty God Himself said that: "Put me in Remembrance".

Are you saying that it is Possible for God to forget what He had Promised? No!

Are you saying that God may be too busy to remember you? No!

It is true that at any given moment, there are Millions of People crying to God for one thing or the other - And you are just one of them.

And I have always said that if there are three (3) People in an Emergency Ward involved in a Critical Accident and all of them were very big People - Highly Educated and Important People and it is only one Doctor there.

And one see the Doctor coming and say: The Doctor should know why I am here in this Emergency Ward - He will come and attend to me.

And another one said: Well, there are three (3) of us; maybe I should call on him to come but I mustn't lose my Dignity. Then he says: Doctor, I am here; will you Please come over here and help me?

And the 3rd Fellow says today is not the day of Grammar as I am in trouble. And he shouted: Doctor, Please come here because I need Help.

The Doctor is going to attend to one first.

I Pray that today, you will learn to cry unto God - Amen!

Because what He says is: "Call on Me". He didn't say: Murmur or whisper - He said: "Call on Me".

And God Himself is the One who said: "Put me in Remembrance".

Because you must remember that what you are calling a "Long Time" is not a long time - A Thousand years is like a Day before Him. And you have been suffering for only two (2) or three (3) years - That's a few Seconds before Him.

Check the Scriptures; all those who cried to Him; got His attention.

I. Bartimeaus cried and that was the day he got His attention.

II. The Widow of one of the Sons of the Prophets in 2 Kings 4: 1-7.

For a long time, she has been smiling - How are you Sister? Oh, the Lord is my Shepherd and I shall not want.

But when the Creditors say that you don't pay by tomorrow, your children are gone? She wasn't a "Lady" that day; she cried.

The day she cried, was the day the Problem got solved.

I hope Somebody will cry to God today - Remind God; remind Him of what He Promise!

1. Are you Sick?

I. Remind Him of what He said in Exodus 15:26 - God, You are the One who said: If I will obey You, if I will seek You diligently; you will not allow any Sickness to come upon me. You say that You will be my Doctor.

Thank God for Medical Doctors - They are Wonderful People. But they are like Mechanics dealing with cars

The Mechanics cannot be like the Manufacturer of the car.

And sooner or later, the Doctors will tell you that: There is Nothing more that we can do.

There is Someone who made you - And He has your Spare Parts in Heaven!

Please cry to Him today and tell Him: I am tired of Suffering, Pain, Ache etc - You Promised to be my Doctor and so where are you?

II. Remind Him that He said in Mark 16: 17-18 - If you believe me, you will lay hands on the Sick and they will recover.

I believe You Lord - I am not a Doubter and I believed every Words You have Spoken.

Some of you have heard the Story before - My first visit to Zambia.

I ate a food - Because He said wherever you go, whatever they give, you should eat.

But the food that I ate didn't agree with my stomach - I bless the food before I ate it but the stomach just refused.

And I started going to the toilet - I can't remember whether the 23rd or 24th time of going to the toilet in one Night and I remembered that God said that I shall lay hands on the Sick and the Sick shall recover.

He didn't say who the Sick will be?

I am the Sick now, so I lay my own hands on my own head - And I say: In the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ, Adeboye be healed!

That was the last time that I went to the toilet.

2. Do you find yourself in any form of Bondage?

Have you discovered suddenly that I did something wrong - Yes, I made mistake and because of this mistake, I have opened the door for the devil.

I. Remind Him that He is the One who Promised in Isaiah 49: 24-26 - He said: Can the Lawful Captive be delivered? He said that even the Lawful Captives shall be delivered.

I got myself into trouble - I am now a Lawful Captive in the hands of Satan and Satan is using my loopholes and my mistake to torment me.

Lord, I remind You that You said even the Lawful Captives shall be Set Free.

II. Remind Him - Psalms 91: 14-15; You are the One who said: Because I have set my Love upon You, You will deliver me.

Lord, You know that I loved You - I admit that I made a mistake, I am sorry. But you know I love You, You know all Things.

If I don't Love You and I am Pretending; You will know.

But You know all Things - That I love You; deliver me!

3. Is there anyone barren in your Family? Remind Him!

I. Remind Him that He was the One who said in Exodus 23:26 - That there shall be None barren among my People.

II. Remind Him of John 15: 1-5 - He is the One who said that He is the Fruitful Vine and if I abide in Him; I will bear much Fruit.

III. Remind Him of Isaiah 45:11 - He is the One who said that concerning the works of my hands, Command ye me.

So my Beloveth Daughters, even if the Doctors had said that you can never have a Child, lay

your hands on your womb right now and Command that womb - Tell the womb: My God Promised that you shall not to be barren!

And it doesn't matter what the Doctors may say, Command that womb - Womb, hear the Word of God; it is written that thou shall not be barren!

4. Do you find yourself Stagnated?

You are doing your very best and there is Nothing to show for it.

Everybody seems to be making Progress, except you.

I. Remind God that He said in Deuteronomy 28:13 - You are the One who said that I shall be the Head and not the Tail.

They are Promoting my Juniors above me - You said that If I follow You wholeheartedly, I observe and do all that I Command (Which by the Grace of God that I am doing); You said that I will be the Head and not the Tail.

... Above and not Beneath!

II. Remind Him that it is not my Boss who decides Promotion - Psalms 75: 5-7, the Bible says clearly that Promotion comes from God.

And you are God and You are the Promoter - I am Your Child and so You must determine my Promotion.

I mean many of you will remember the Story of one Fellow that his Seniors gang up against him because he was a True Child of God and not Compromising and they have already given him a sack Letter.

Then they took the list to the owner of the Company - Sir, we are Restructuring because of the Economic situation of the Country and this is what we have done.

And the Chairman took the list and look at it all the way through.

When he got to that Child of God and said: Ha, ha; this Fellow? Why are you sacking him?

Oh, because we don't have enough room in the Level where he is.

And the owner of the Company said: But what of here? Move him up!

It is God who determines Promotion - Remind Him today!

Tell the Almighty God that you are tired of Stagnation; move me Higher!

III. In 1 Peter 5:6; it is written that if you humble yourself under the Mighty Hands of God, He will lift you up.

5. Are you in trouble right now? Are you in crises? Remind God

I. That it is written in Psalms 50: 14-15 - God said: Thank Him (Which I am sure that you are doing); Pay your Vows (Which I am sure that you are doing) and then tell Him, Lord I am grateful to You for all You have done.

I am not owing any Vow - The ones I made, I have fulfilled.

You Promised that if I call on You in the time of trouble; You will answer.

II. Remind Him that it is written in Isaiah 43: 1-2 - Tell Him that You are the One who said that even when I am Passing through the Fire, I won't be burnt.

Now, I am Passing through Fire now and this is the day of trouble; you must come to my aid.

I remembered very well that day - You know the Story:

I had gone to visit our Church in Ilorin. I was about to leave on Monday, when they called me and said: Sir, there is a woman here about to deliver. She said to us that she has said before that on the day of her Delivery, that is when she was going to die.

Then she came to the Maternity Center? They said: We don't know o! We think that she has Changed her Mind and doesn't want to die anymore.

So, they asked me to come and Pray for her before I leave.

So, I went to the Maternity Center and told her that is it true that you wanted to die? She didn't answer.

Okay, you are here now! You aren't going to die in the Mighty Name of Jesus - So I Prayed and left.

Well from Ilorin to Ilesha; from Ilesha to Ibadan and finally arrived back to Lagos.

Three (3) days later; the People came and they said: Sir, the Fellow you Prayed for three (3) days ago; as soon as you left, gave birth to a baby.

But we discovered that there is another baby inside her and we have Prayed all manners of Prayers and the Second baby hasn't come.

I said is that so? Is that why you came all the way from Ilorin? And they said Yes.

My Heart was trembling but I was Pretending that you have to be the General Overseer now and be courageous.

Is that why you came? Who told you that the God in Lagos is not the same God in Ilorin?

I gave them a bottle of coke each; common on, go back home and before you get home, the baby would have arrived.

Yes sir, they turned back and they left.

As soon as they left, I ran to my Prayer Room, fell on my face and said: Oh God, today is my day of trouble.

Are you Passing through Fire? Cry to Him today and He will see you through.

I remembered very clearly, God saying to me - You mean that you didn't believed what you said? I said that I believed.

He said that if you believe then go and eat.

By the time they got home, the woman had not just delivered the 2nd baby; she had delivered a 3rd - There were Triplets in her womb.

I cried to Him in the day of trouble and He heard me.

The same God is your God.

Are you Passing through Fire? Remind Him!

That brings us to one very critical thing:

HOW CAN I REMIND HIM OF WHAT I DON'T KNOW?

1. There are several Promises in the Scriptures - If you don't know these Promises, how can you remind God.

That is why in 2 Timothy 2:15; the Bible says: Study the Word of God to show yourself

Approved unto God.

2. You are not just to Study the Bible, Deuteronomy 11:18 says: Memorise the Scriptures. Lay up the Words of God in your Heart.

One of my children once asked me - Daddy, how come you know so many Bible Passages in the Bible? You mentioned a Passage and while we are still trying to open it, you are already quoting it.

Just one at a time - If you memorise just one Passage a week.

That is why in our Sunday School, we have Memory Verses.

Then you will discovered that within a year, you have known 52 Passages by Heart.

Do that for 10 years, you will know 520 Passages by Heart.

3. And then Psalms 1: 1-3 tells you that if you want to be blessed; Meditate on the Word of God Day and Night.

What does this Passage means?

What is God trying to say: Keep on Meditating on it Day and Night.

You see, because the Bible says in Luke 6:45 - It is out of the Abundance of the Heart that the mouth speaks.

It is that which you have stored up in your Heart that will become available when trouble comes.

I told you that when I became General Overseer and I was visiting our "Small Churches" and everybody was coming out to greet me, and everything sounding so wonderful. And then, I was finally going to visit my Hometown.

And all of a sudden, I heard the devil said to me Clearly - The Elder has a Proverb: "To die Young and be buried with a Horse, is better than to die Old and have no Chicken to make your demise".

Die now! - That is very Glorious to you!

A Word of God came from my Heart - "I shall not die but I will live to Proclaim the works of God!"

If you don't Memorise these things, what will rise up to face the devil?

Remember Psalms 119:89 - Forever Oh Lord, thy Word is Settled.

Remind Him - Remind Him because He is a Faithful One who has Promised!

2 Corinthians 1: 19-20 says: All Promises of God in Jesus Christ are yea and amen.

ALTAR CALL

That is why you must Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ.

If you have Him, all the Promises of God for you will be yea and amen.

When you received Jesus Christ, suddenly you begin to Understand that the Bible is not just a Book but a Collection of the Promises of God.

And these Promises are there for you if you are one of His Own.

So, I am appealing to you today - If you have not given your Life to Jesus Christ; do so.

I am appealing also to those of you who have given your Life to Jesus Christ; keep on Memorising the Word of God.

His Promises are yea and amen - The more you Memorise the Word of God, the more Victorious you will be in the battles of Life.

So, those of you who will like to give your Life to Jesus Christ; Please bow your Head wherever you are:

Cry to Him: Ask Him to Please come into your Life, come into your Heart and just dwell there.

Ask Him to forgive your sins and Promise Him that you will serve Him for the rest of your Life.

Shall we Pray!

Talk to Him now - Ask Him to have Mercy on you, ask Him to save your Soul, ask Him to forgive all your sins and ask Him to come and dwell in you.

He made a Promise that: Christ in you, the Hope of Glory.

Let Him come in and your Future will be Glorious!

Thank You Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

And so my Father and my God and so once again, I just want to Thank You for Your Words.

And I want to remind You of Your Promise that whosoever will come unto You, You will no wise cast out.

As many that has decided to come to You today, Please receive them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away their sins, receive them into the Family of God.

And from now on, anytime they cry unto You; answer them by Fire.

Thank You my Father and my God.

And as Your Children will be reminding You of Your Promises today; Please fulfill them.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I want to rejoice with those of you who gave your Life to Jesus Christ - Please contact me as soon as Possible.

And visit the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you - Tell the Pastor there that I sent you and he will tell you what to do next.

God Bless You in Jesus Mighty Name - Amen!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 53 (CASE STUDY OF CALEB - PART 4): "NOT ALL MOUNTAINS ARE TO BE MOVED".

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Let Us Pray!

SONG

Glory be to God in the Highest (Amen)
Glory be to God in the Highest (Amen)
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OPENING PRAYER

Glorious God, All Sufficient God, the Ancient of Days Himself - We Worship You.

We Magnify Your Holy Name Lord - We are forever Grateful for the Grace that brought us Salvation. We Thank You because You Paid it all.

Oh Father, Thank You for giving us Your Blessed Son; Thank You that we obtained Mercy - Please, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name

Today, as we gather before You; we Pray that You will send Your Words to us and that Word will bring us Healing and bring us Deliverance and bring us Victory.

So that at the end of it all, Your Name and Your Name alone will be Glorified.

Thank You Almighty God.

For in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, shake hands with whoever is near you and say: "The Almighty God will bless you Mightily today" - Amen and Amen!

And then, you may Please be seated,

We move on to Part 53 of our Series on: "For Whom The Heavens Open".

And we have been using Joshua as our Case Study - And being on this for over a Year.

Well steadily, we are moving to close of the Series.

But in the Past couple of weeks, we have been talking about a Man called "Caleb" - Who happens to be Someone whose Destiny is connected to that of Joshua.

And we have been looking at Joshua 14: 6-14.

Today, I just want to look at Verses 12 and 13 there:

Caleb was talking to Joshua and he said and I quote:

Joshua 14: 12-13:

12. Now therefore give me this Mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the Cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

13. And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an Inheritance.

Usually, when you are discussing with children; and you begin to ask them how much of the Bible they know:

☆ You ask them who was Moses?

They will Probably tell you that Moses was the Law Giver - The one who brought the ten (10) Commandments from God to the Children of Israel.

☆ If you ask them who was David?

Almost invariably, they will tell you that David was the Giant Killer - The one who killed Goliath.

☆ If you ask them who was Daniel?

They are likely to tell you the Man who spent a Night with the Lions in the Lion's Den and came out without any hurt.

☆ Now, if you ask them who was Caleb?

I. A Young Christian will Probably say that Caleb was that Colleague of Joshua - They were friends.

II. The one who is a bit more Matured will Probably say that he was the Old Soldier that never died.

Because at the Age of 85 years, he was still ready to go to war because he was still Strong at 85 as he was at 40.

III. But if you asked a really Matured Christian who was Caleb?

The answer that you are likely to get is a Man who asked for a Mountain!

That was one of the very Big Lesson that we learnt from Caleb - "The Man who asked for a Mountain".

And so, we come to a very, very important aspect of this Particular Passage and we learn some very serious Lessons here - Basically that: "Not all Mountains are to be Moved!

☆ Yes, according to Mark 11: 22-24; the Bible did say that: If you have Faith in God, and you don't doubt; you can Command Mountains and Mountain will be moved and cast into the Sea.

☆ Yes according to Joshua 6: 1-21; some Mountains are to be demolished.

You know that the Wall of a Jericho is like a Mountain because you always think of a Mountain as an Obstruction to our Progress or Obstacles.

And in Joshua 6: 1-21; the Mountain was demolished.

☆ But there are some Mountains that you may just need to bore your way through - Like the Red Sea case in Exodus 14: 1-28.

When the Red Sea Parted, the Children of Israel Passed through and then the Sea Close again.

In other words, the Mountain was still there but the Children of Israel were now on the right side of the Mountain.

As a matter of fact, one of the reasons that the Sea closed again is so that they won't be able to go back to Egypt again.

So, some Mountains are not actually to be wiped out - They may still serve a Purpose if you are on the right side of the Mountain.

And that mean that some Enemies, yes are to be completely annihilated.

1 Samuel 15: 1-33 - When God was sending King Saul to go and deal with the Amelekites; He

(God) said that he (Saul) should wipe them out completely.

When he (Saul) saved the King; Samuel the Prophet completed the job - He (Samuel) killed the King.

Some Enemies are to be Dead and Buried!

According to Numbers 16: 23-34; Korah, Dathan and Abiram, with all their Supporters were buried alive.

Even according to Joshua 7: 19-26; Achan and his entire family were not just killed, and they were not just burnt after they were killed; a heap of stone was raised over them.

Some Enemies are to be killed, burnt, buried and sealed off forever.

However:

1. Some Mountains are for Climbing.

... There are some Mountains that you have to Climb.

Why? Because they serve some God Purpose.

For Example: In Exodus 17: 8-13; when the Amalekites came against the Children of Israel on their way to the Promise Land; Moses climbed a Mountain. And from there, he Controlled the war in the Valley below.

So, there are some Mountains you have to climb to get you closer to the Source of Anointing.

Not all Problems are to be wiped away.

There are many times that we do not get as close to God as we should be unless we have a really "Big Mountain" - A Problem "Sufficiently Big" that we will be compelled to draw Closer to God!

And then, there are some Mountains that are allowed in our lives by God to announce to the People that we are now Anointed.

In 1 Samuel 17: 34-51; it was when Goliath appeared and David handled him that everybody discovered that there is Somebody in our midst carrying an "Unusual Anointing".

It takes some Mountains for God to announce that He has Anointed you!

David had been Anointed in 1 Samuel 16: 11-13 but Nobody knew about this Anointing until Goliath appeared.

Oh, the boy knew and his Relatives knew:

I. The boy had seen the Anointing working Privately when a Lion came to steal one of the Sheep and he grabbed the Lion by the head and box it to death.

II. And the Bear came and he did the same thing.

III. The boy knew that it wasn't the Punch of an "Ordinary Boy" that killed a Lion; he knew that it wasn't the Punch of an "Ordinary Boy" that killed a Bear - He knew that it was the Anointing at work.

But Nobody knew until Goliath came!

I Pray that the Mountain that will announce your Anointing will come rapidly - Amen!

3. Some Mountains are necessary for a Major National Revival.

In 1 Kings 18: 20-45; it was on Mount Carmel that Elijah had a Competition with Forces of Darkness and demonstrated that there is a God who can answer by Fire.

It was then that the whole Nation fell on their face and said: "Jehovah is the Lord".

Anybody can call himself a Prophet; but it takes a National Crisis before you know that some Prophets are Genuine!

4. Some Mountains are necessary for you to Climb so that you can hear God more clearly.

In 1 Kings 19: 4-13; it was on Horeb, the Mountain of God that Elijah heard the "Still Small Voice" of God.

At times, God has to get you apart from the Noise of the People in the Valley before you can hear Him more Clearly!

You can be sure that God has been talking to Elijah long before 1 Kings Chapter 19. But in 1 Kings Chapter 19, that was where he was able to hear God more clearly because God was speaking in a "Still Small Voice".

At times, God has to get you away from the Hustling and Bustling of Business - Get you apart to Himself where everything is quiet and it is you and Him alone now talking. Particularly, when God wants to spell out your Future to you.

Because if you read 1 Kings 19: 14-17; you will hear God there now telling Elijah:

- Elijah who thought that he has failed.
- Elijah who was already asking God to kill him.

That is when God said that your Ministry is not yet over as your Influence is about to expand.

Oh, up till now, you have been fighting a King; now you are to Anoint Kings.

... You are to move on to a New Level of Ministry.

At times, it takes a Mountain to get you to a Place where God will be able to speak to you and tell you about the Future!

I remembered years ago when I was travelling to London in our Beloveth Nigeria Airways of Blessed Memory.

And we got to Heathrow (DMC NOTES: Heathrow Airport in London is the UK's largest and busiest Airport as well as being the busiest Airport in Europe and the seventh busiest in the world based on Passenger Traffic. Located in the West of the City, in the London borough of Hillingdon, Heathrow hosts two runways and four Operational Terminal Buildings); and suddenly just before we began to descend, the Captain announced that the door at the belly of the Plane refused to open.

And the implication of that is that the tyres can't come out.

And the implication of that is that unless something happened, we are going to crash.

And I'm telling you - Anointing or no Anointing, I was afraid.

And on that Particular Day like I have told the Story before, I was travelling First Class because Somebody bought the Ticket.

So, there are all manners of Big People there - And all of a sudden, we realised that the Rich do fear Death.

And there were all manners of Commotion - And I said: Oh God, You didn't tell me that this is how it is going to end?

I was saying Goodbye to my children yesterday; You didn't tell me that it is the Last time that I will see them.

And He spoke to me and said: No, No, No; I want to talk to you. Because I knew that as soon as you land, the People won't let us have time together.

And so, the Plane kept on going round and round and round.

And the Pilot was even adding fuel to the Fire - Everybody be quiet now; afterall you know that the Fire Fighters in Britain are very efficient.

Fire Fighters? You mean we are not just going to crashland? We are going to catch Fire?

But during that Period of Commotion, when God saw that now I have gotten your attention; He told me some things to come.

May I Pray that the Mountain where you will be able to hear God more clearly; the Almighty God will bring it your way very soon - Amen!

Because on the Mountain where you can hear God clearly, He can even tell you about who will continue the work that you have been doing!

Because it was on that Mountain that God told Elijah: Hey, there is a boy called Elisha - Go and get him.

5. There are some Mountains that will put you beyond the touch of the Enemies.

Some Mountains, you have to climb so that the Enemies can't reach you easily.

For Example: In 2 Kings 1: 9-12; when a King wanted to arrest Elijah; Elijah was sitting on a Mountain.

And the Soldiers came and said to him: Man of God, come down!

He was on a Mountain - And it was from that Mountain that he was raining down Fire on them.

So, there are some Mountains that are necessary to put you beyond the reach of the Enemies!

And if you read 2 Kings 6: 8-23; when another King wanted to arrest Elisha and he sent an Army to go and arrest him.

Elisha was on a Mountaintop - And from there, he was able to demonstrate his Superiority.

The Army was coming and he was telling his boy - Don't worry, those who are with us, are more than those who are with them.

And when they came to him, he asked God to blindfold them and then lead them to the Enemy Territory and then ask God to open their eyes and they saw that they were surrounded by a Mighty Army.

But instead of killing them, he just said: Let us feed them and send them back to the Sender.

The Bible said that from that day onwards, the Enemy that sent them never attempted it again.

There is a Mountain from where you can show that the Almighty God (Your Father); is really the Commander-In-Chief of the Host of Heaven!

6. There are some of Mountains from where you might be able to see the Glory of God clearly!

Matthew 17: 1-10; the Bible tells us that when Jesus Christ was going to be Transformed before His Disciples; He took three (3) Disciples with Him to the Mount of Transfiguration. And He was Transformed before them.

... He Climbed the Mountain, took three (3) People with Him!

I remembered the first time that we went to Israel and we got to the Mount of Transfiguration - We all wept.

I. We wept because I told the People that: What was the offence of the remaining nine (9) Disciples that they were not allowed to come up here and see what the three (3) saw?

Because He (Jesus Christ) told those three (3) Disciples (DMC NOTES: Peter, James and John) - Don't tell anyone what you have seen here.

II. We wept because I said to them: You know that there was a lot of Announcements about you going to Israel; but at the end of the Day, only fifty (50) of us went.

I said that we must be some Special People that God Choose us to come up here.

But then, this Man asked for a Mountain!

Another Big, Big Lesson from that is: "God feels honoured when you ask Him for Big Things!

He doesn't feel very comfortable when His Children ask Him for Little Things.

Psalms 78:41 warns us not to limit the Holy One of Israel.

In 2 Kings 4: 1-7; when that Widow ran to Elisha for Help because she was in debt. The Man of

God told her to borrow Empty Vessels and borrow not a few.

The Bigger your Problem, the Bigger your Testimony will be.

Don't forget Ephesians 3:20 says: God is able to do Exceedingly Abundantly above "ALL" that you ask for or even think of.

☆ Don't forget that our God owns the Earth and the Fullness thereof.

☆ Don't forget that Silver and Gold belongs to Him.

☆ Don't forget that the Cattles upon a thousand Hills are His Own.

Feel free today to ask for even what Money cannot buy.

Remember that Solomon asked God for Wisdom and he got not only Wisdom but several other things in Addition.

☆ Finally, don't forget that if you don't ask; then you won't get.

James 4:2 says: You have not because you ask not.

Caleb asked for a Mountain and he got it.

Whateger you asked God for today, in the Name that is above every other name; no matter how big, my God will give it to you - Amen!

ALTAR CALL

Which is why those of you who are not yet Born Again; you don't know what you are missing.

Come to Jesus Christ - He answers Prayers!

All those things that you are looking for - The Word of God says: Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness and every other things you can think of, will be added unto you,

So, why don't you come to Jesus today and let Him give you a Brand New Beginning.

And so, if you want to Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ, will you Please bow your head wherever you are and cry unto Him.

At least first of all, ask him for Salvation and then you get every other thing.

Bow your head now and ask Him to Please save your Soul, have Mercy on you so that you can become one of His Children.

And anything that you ask after that, He will also make it available to you.

Let Us Pray!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You for Your Words and I want to Thank You because You are there to answer any Prayer no matter how difficult or no matter how Big.

And so today Lord God Almighty, all these People who are asking You for Salvation; Please answer them, grant their Requests, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away their sins, let them become Members of the Family of God.

From now on, anytime they call on You, answer them by Fire so that very soon, they will know that You are the All Sufficient God.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ today.

I will encourage you to go to the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you and ask the Pastor there that you have just given your Life to Jesus Christ.

And he will tell you what to do next!

God Bless You!

I will be hearing Good News from you very soon in Jesus Mighty Name - Amen.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!

SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 54 (CASE STUDY OF CALEB - PART 5): "IF GOD BE WITH ME, I WILL WIN".

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Let Us Pray!

SONG

You are the Mighty God
The Great I am
Hallelujah, Hallelujah
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The Great I am
Hallelujah, Hallelujah

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, the Great I am - We Worship You.

There is no one like You - All Power belongs to You, You are the All Sufficient God, You can answer all Prayers and You can even do more than we can ask.

We give You all the Glory Lord - Please, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

My Father and my God; again we Thank You for the Salvation of our Souls, Thank You that we obtained Mercy and Thank You for Your Grace.

We are asking Lord God Almighty that today again, You will send Your Words to us and that Your Words will Perform Mighty Miracles in our lives.

And those of us who are asking You for Great Things Lord, Please by Answering us immediately, surprise us all.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, why don't you greet one (1) or two (2) People near you and say: "God will Surprise you

today!

You may Please be seated - God Bless You!

We have come to Part 54 in our Series on: "For Whom The Heavens Open".

And as you know, we have been using Joshua as our Case Study.

And then somewhere along the way, we came across Caleb - And like we learnt in the Last Series, one of the biggest Lesson that we learnt from Caleb is that: He is the Man who asked for a Mountain and got it.

But we want to wrap up our Section on Caleb - Not that there isn't much to learn but we just want to learn one thing more from Caleb before we move forward.

And we have been using as our Bible Text - Joshua 14: 6-14.

But again today, I will ask you to read the Passage yourself (DMC NOTES: Joshua 14: 6-14); as I will just focus on Verses 12 to 14.

Joshua 14:12-14:

12. Now therefore give me this Mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the Cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

13. And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an Inheritance.

14. Hebron therefore became the Inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenazite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel.

I will focus more on Verse 12 - As from there, we will Pick another Lesson.

There Caleb said: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

... If the Lord is with me, I will Possess this Mountain.

The remaining Verses just told us that - Yes, he did Possess the Mountain.

There are some very deep Lessons here - I wish that we still have much more time to discuss Caleb.

Because if you look at Verse 13, there you will see Joshua bless him - That's a big Story in itself.

Because here we have two Colleagues and here you now have one blessing the other.

You have two Colleagues - And you have Joshua who was chosen instead of Caleb to take over from Moses et cetera, et cetera.

But whatever I can't cover, the Holy Spirit will tell you - Amen.

"If God be with me; I will win" - Here we are learning some very serious Lessons:

1. NEVER FIGHT AGAINST GOD BECAUSE YOU WILL NOT WIN IF YOU DO SO.

I. Because you have no Strength against the One who is called "The Almighty" - Psalms 91:1.

Psalms 91:1 calls Him the Most High; the Almighty.

"Almighty" means the One who has all Strength.

So, how Strong are you that you want to call Him to a fight?

II. You can't fight against the One who is called "The Lord of Host" - Psalms 24: 7-10.

And I believed that God is talking to somebody in Particular - Someone who right now listening to me or reading now on the Label of DMC that is angry with God and want to fight Him.

You can't fight against God and win because He is "The Lord of Host".

Oh, who told you that I am fighting against God? I can't even see Him!

Oh well, if you are fighting against His People, then you are fighting against Him.

You don't believe me; all you need to do is to read Acts 9: 1-end - A Good Reading.

Paul the Apostles was Saul of Tarsus at that time - He was going to Damascus to go and arrest Christians and bring them to Jail. He met Jesus Christ on the way.

And Jesus Christ said to him: Saul, Saul, Saul; why are you Persecuting me?

He (Saul) said: Who are you? How can you say that I am Persecuting you? I can't even see you!

Jesus Christ said: It is my People that you are Persecuting.

So, if you are one of those who have made up your Mind that you will Persecute the Church of God; you are in danger - You can't fight against God and win!

Because in Philippians 2: 9-11; the Bible says that at the Name of Jesus Christ, every knees should bow.

Sooner or later, your knees will bow to Him either Voluntarily or Compulsorily.

III. You can't fight against God and win because the Very Ground on which you are Standing belongs to Him - Psalms 24:1.

Psalms 24:1 says: The Earth is the Lord's and the Fullness thereof.

The Book of Judges 5:4 tells us that when God is Passing by, the Earth trembles.

... That's the One you want to fight!

And He can tell the Ground that you are walking upon to open up its mouth and swallow you - Numbers 16: 1-33.

Here, some People ganged up against a Man of God and they said that we will do everything to reduce him to Nothing.

At the end of the Day, the Ground swallowed them.

Long after the Enemies of God are gone and forgotten, His Children will still be Marching On!

He made it clear - He said that I will build my Church and the Gates of Hell will not Prevail against it.

And there is a Saying that: "If you can't defeat them, then join them.

Instead of fighting against God, come to the Side of God.

IV. He can fight you with Water.

When you go through the Scriptures - In the Book of Exodus, you will found out that once upon a time, He Changed water to blood.

They had to beg Him before He Changed the Blood back to Water when the Egyptians were almost dying of thirst.

☆ He can fight you with the Water you drink.

Some of you remembered when I told you the Story of when I was at the University of Lagos as a Lecturer; and one of my Students had this little Problem of body odour.

That whenever he is sitting by you, within 5 Minutes, you will relocate because he smells like a Dead Body.

And the Doctors had tried everything and he has used all manners of drugs; but things kept on getting worst.

Finally, he came to me for Prayers and God told me that he has a Restitution to make - I have told you the Story before.

And we found out that he was a Teacher in a Primary School before he came to the University. And the children there were contributing Penny, Penny to him.

Before the end of the Year when the Students were going to have the End of the Year Party with their Money, he gained Admission to the University and left with the Children's Money.

The children came back to School to discovered that the Teacher had gone with their Money and they reported him to God.

God; You know where this Teacher is now - He ran away with our Money.

And we told him - God says that you should go and Restitute.

He went back - He Restituted and Paid back the Money with a Shilling each for the Student instead of a Penny.

DMC NOTES: The Shilling is subdivided into twelve (12) Pennies. 1 shilling = 12 Pence.

He came back and I was about to Pray for him and God said - There is no need now; just tell him to stop drinking Ice Water for two (2) Weeks.

He stopped drinking Ice Water and he became Completely Whole.

We are not talking of an Ordinary Person; we are talking of the One whose Name is the Consuming Fire.

☆ He can block your way by using Water.

You know the Story of Jonah - Read Jonah Chapter 1.

Jonah was trying to run away from God and God sent a Storm and blocked his way.

As a matter of fact, he ended up in the belly of the fish.

Ask Pharaoh and his Host in Exodus 14: 21-28; He drowned a whole Army in the Red Sea.

V. He can fight you from the Air.

So, if you think that you can fly at Night against the Children of God - When you read Joshua 10: 10-11; you will know that God was the first Person to throw Bombs.

VI. He can fight with Rain.

Amos 4: 7-8 - He says: I can cause Rain to fall on one side and refuse to fall on another.

In Deuteronomy 32:39; hear Him speak - He said that I am God, there is no one else. He said that I can kill, I can make alive. And He said that there is Nobody who can rescue you from my hands and who is going to come to your rescue?

VII. He can fight with Worms.

Acts 12: 20-25; tells us that a King was trying to obstruct the work of God. And God cause some Worms to eat him up alive.

One moment, he was sitting in his Throne boasting.

And God said: Worms, eat him.

There was no flesh left on him by the time he hit the floor.

VIII. Daniel 4: 28-37; there you find out that He can turn a King to a Mad Man.

2. But there is something much deeper than that - "DON'T GO TO WAR WHEN YOU KNOW THAT GOD MIGHT BE NEUTRAL!"

Many atimes one Child of God is trying to fight against another Child of God; do you know on whose Side He is?

There are two (2) of you - Both of you are His Children and now you want to fight. And God becomes Neutral - You can't win when God is Neutral.

When God is Neutral, you can't handle the devil.

1 Peter 5:8 tells us clearly: You have to Submit to God first, before you can deal with Someone who is going about like a roaring Lion, seeking whom he may devour.

James 4:7 says: You must first of all Submit to God before you can resist the devil and he will, flee from you.

I have told you before that my Daddy used to tell me that when the Lion wakes up in the Morning; the Prayer he Prays is that: God, show me the animal that I will eat today and leave the two of us alone - Don't help me or help the animal. Just leave the two of us alone.

If the devil ever Prays and he cries to God - And he says: Show me the Christian that I will destroy and leave the two of us alone. You know what the result will be.

The devil is older than you and he has destroyed quite a lot of Great People before.

When God departs from anybody; that Fellow is finished.

... If God is Neutral, you can't go far.

You know the Story in Judges 16: 4-21 - Samson got up and said that I will go out as before.

The Bible said that he didn't know that God has departed from him.

I Pray for everyone of you today; may the Almighty God never depart from you - Amen!

Because when God is Neutral, the Enemy will finish the rest of the Story.

When God departs, there is Nothing you can do to Succeed.

If God is Neutral, don't fight.

That is why it is even dangerous for one Anointed Man of God to fight another Anointed Man of God!

Both of you are Anointed and God says: Okay, you want to fight? I leave the two of you alone and I won't take sides.

3. That brings us to another important Point - And that is: IF GOD BE WITH US, THEN YOU WILL WIN!

... Because that is what Caleb said.

In Exodus 3: 7-12; when Moses was saying that how can I, a Refugee; go and bring all the People in Bondage to Pharaoh? How am I going to let Pharaoh release all these People to me?

God said: Don't worry, I will be with you!

In Joshua 1: 1-9; as we learnt earlier at the very beginning; God said to Joshua: Don't worry, as I was with Moses, I will be with you.

In 1 Samuel 17: 34-51; the King said to David - From what you have said, that you have killed a Lion and a Bear; go and face Goliath and the Lord be with you.

When God is with you, you will win!

So, before you go into any battle, make sure that:

1. You are not fighting against God.
2. That God is not Neutral.
3. That you have God with you.
4. But then, as you know at least for the Purpose of reminding you; there is something better than God backing you in a fight - And that is: HE IS DOING THE FIGHTING FOR YOU.

In Romans 8:31; the Bible made it clear - If God be for us, who can be against us.

If He is the One doing the fighting for you then, you will just be by the side Cheering Him on and say: Give it to him Lord.

In Romans 8:37; the Bible says that we are More Than Conqueror because God loves us.

If you will recall; in Exodus 14: 10-28; Moses said to the Children of Israel - Don't worry, you won't have to fight this battle.

God will fight for you and at the end of the day; the Enemies they saw, they never saw again because God fought for them.

In 2 Chronicles 20: 1-25; three (3) Major Kings combined their Armies against Jehoshaphat.

Jehoshaphat never fired an arrow and never used a sword but he won the battle because God fought for him and caused the Enemies to destroy themselves.

Several times, People have asked - When you see so many People attacking you right, left and

center; why don't you do something?

Why? It is better to let God do the fighting.

When God fights for you; He will do the job in a very clean way so that Nobody will be able to accuse you of damaging anybody.

Because in 2 Kings 7: 1-end; you will discovered that when a City is under a Siege and the Man of God Prophesised and said: Don't worry, the Siege will be over within 24 Hours. It was difficult to believe.

But all that God needed to do was to cause the Enemies to hear a Noise.

Do you know one of the reasons that we kept on shouting Hallelujah?

It is that as you shout the Hallelujah to God, He will Pick it up in Heaven and turn His Mighty Loudspeakers on so that the Enemies can hear a Noise.

And when they hear a Noise, they will flee.

Remember that it is written: Let God arise and His Enemies will scatter.

Let God do your fighting or at the very, very least; be sure that He is with you as you are doing the fighting.

My Prayer for you is that from now on, the God who is the Lord of Host - The Almighty, the Owner of the Earth and the Fullness thereof, the One who made the Heaven, the Controller of Rain, the One who made sure that there is Water for you to drink; will be on your side. He will fight your battle for you and your Victory will be Absolute!

Now, if you know that there is a God who can do this fighting for you; how can you expect Him to be fighting for you when you are against Him?

Because you see, when you read Mark 9: 38-40; the Lord made it clear and there is no Neutrality in this case - It is either you are for Jesus Christ or you are against Him.

You can't say I am Neutral:

☆ I am not a Christian but I am not against Christian.

☆ I am not for Christ but I am not against Him (Christ).

And if you are against Him, you have a Problem.

But if you are for Him, you can become More Than Conqueror.

ALTAR CALL

So, if you have been listening to me or reading now on the Label of DMC and you say you didn't know its like that - I will like to be for Christ, I will like to be on the Side; Please Pray for me so that He will save my Soul.

Bow your Head now.

And cry to Him and say: Lord, have Mercy on me, save my Soul as I want to be on your side. I want to be one of your own.

Go ahead - Pray and I will join you in Prayer so that He can save your Soul.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, once again I want to say Thank You for Your Words and I want to Thank You for Deep Revelations from Your Words.

I want to Thank You very much that if You are for us, Nobody can be against us.

So, I'm committing all these Your Children who has decided to Surrender their lives to You into Your Hands.

Father, Please be Merciful unto them, forgive all their sins, let Your Blood wipe away their sins, save their Souls today and let them become Children of the Living God.

So that from now on, you will fight their battles for them and they too will serve You forever.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ - Now, you have a Great Ally and you will soon begin to experience Mighty Victories.

So, I will recommend that you will find the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG)

to you - And ask the Pastor there that you have just given your Life to Jesus and he will tell you what to do Next.

Congratulations!

And God Bless You in Jesus Mighty Name - Amen!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 55 (THE ISSUE OF TIME)

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 13TH OCTOBER 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 18: 1-3

Let Us Pray!

SONG

You are the Mighty God
The Great I am
Hallelujah, Hallelujah
You are the Mighty God

The Great I am
Hallelujah, Hallelujah

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, the Controller of Heaven and Earth - We Worship You.

We are Proud of You Father because You are the Lord of Host - Nobody can fight against You and win.

We are Proud that You are our Father and we have You on our Side.

You are the One who said that we are More Than Conqueror simply because You love us - Thank You for Loving us Lord.

Please, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Today, in the Life of everyone of us; show Your Almightyness, fight our battles for us and give us Total Victory.

Victory over Sickness, Victory over Disease, Victory over Poverty, Victory over Sorrow, Victory over Barrenness.

Father, just give us Total Victory and just let Your Name be Glorified.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, shake hands with one (1) or two (2) People and tell him or her: The Lord will fight for you!

And then, you may Please be seated.

We want to jump to Joshua 18: 1-3 - I know that you want to say from Chapter 14 to Chapter 18? What about Chapters 15, 16 and 17?

Well, like I said: Whatever I omit, the Holy Spirit will teach you!

Joshua 18: 1-3

1. And the whole Congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the Tabernacle of the Congregation there. And the Land was Subdued before them.

2. And there remained among the children of Israel seven Tribes, which had not yet received their Inheritance.

3. And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye slack to go to Possess the Land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?

... The Lord God of your Father had given you the Land:

☆ Why are you Slack to go to Possess the Land?

☆ How long will you delay your Blessings?

☆ How long before you take Action to Possess your Possession?

Today, we want to discuss a very important Issue - "THE ISSUE OF TIME".

Many, many of us; Particularly Children of God, treat Time with Levity - We waste a lot of Time, we are slow in doing what we even say that we will do, and we leave till tomorrow, what we can do today!

We waste Time on Things that do not matter.

So, I feel an urgency in my Spirit to discuss with you "The Issue of Time".

Many of those who are close to me accuse me of only one thing - Impatience! They always say that: Oh God, why is he always hurrying us?

Because Time does not wait for anybody - And once Time is gone, it is gone!

It doesn't matter your Anointing, you cannot bring back Last Year!

And there are some opportunities that once they are Lost, they are Lost forever!

When I got to conduct Holy Ghost Service in Nations of the world, Particularly in areas where we have never held it before; I always tell them: Be at alert because the Holy Spirit flows like a River.

And if by the Time the River flows in your direction and the Almighty God said that there is Someone here - And you are that Someone. But at that Time, your Mind is on something else. And after God had Spoken, you heard Somebody near you say Amen and then you turn to the Fellow and say: What did he say? By then, it is gone.

Only God has Control over Time - This is very, very Crucial

Daniel 2: 20-21 says: He Controls Times and Seasons. He is the Only One who has Control over Time.

Why? Because He is the One who Created Time!

Genesis 1: 1-5 - He is the One who began to talk about the Evening and the Morning, the First Day.

He Created Time for Man. But He (That is God) lives in Eternity - From Eternity to Eternity, He is God.

According to Psalms 115:3; the Only One who Controls Time, does as He Pleases in Heaven:

1. According to Joxhua 10: 12-14; He can Stop Time.

When Joshua was fighting and Night was about to fall, he cried to God and God Suspended Time - He said: Hey, Sun stay where you are for almost a day.

2. He can Reverse Time - Even though He did it only once in History.

In Isaiah 38: 1-8; when He Promised to give a King 15 Extra Years; He said that I will show you a Sign - I will ask the Sun to go backwards.

3. He can Advance Time - He can bring the Future to the Present because He is the Alpha and Omega.

Like He did in John 2: 1-11 - When in the Marriage in Cana of Galilea, they lacked wine. And His mother came to Him and said: My Son, they need a Miracle here. He said to the mother that my Time has not yet come.

But because of the Faith of His mother - Because His mother said to those who are Standing by: Don't Pay attention to what He has said, just do whatever He Commands you.

He Accelerated Time - He brought "Not Yet" to "Now" - Because He is the Only One who can Control Time.

In Matthew 15: 21-28; if you know how to approach Him, He can bring your Miracle from "Not Yet" to "Now".

When a woman came to Him and began to cry to Him for Help for Deliverance for her daughter. And Jesus Christ said that it is not yet Time for the Gentiles and He said that I can't give the

Bread of Children to dog.

And the Woman Worshipped Him - That I know that I am a dog but this dog won't go away until you give her, her Miracle. Jesus Christ granted her Request.

The Time of the Gentiles didn't come until Acts Chapter 10 - Years later.

But the woman knew how to bring "Not Yet" to "Now" by the way she approached God.

4. He is the Only One who can delay Time and yet be on Time.

Matthew 25: 1-13 tells you the Story of the ten Virgins that went to receive the Bridegroom. And the Bible says that the Bridegroom tarried.

Many People are wondering: Why has Jesus Christ not come till now?

He Controls Times and Seasons - He is the Only One who has the Privilege to delay and still be on Time.

In Mark 5: 21-23; Jairus said Please come and heal my daughter before she dies. He said: Alright, I will go with you

On the way, a woman came from behind - The woman with the Issue of Blood and stopped Jesus Christ on the way by stealing a Miracle.

And Jesus Christ said: Who touched me? - You know the Story.

While they were discussing: Who touched me and who didn't touch me; the daughter died because there was a delay.

But Jesus Christ told Jairus: Don't worry, I will still be on Time.

He still brought the daughter back to Life.

In John 11: 1-44; it was when Lazarus was sick that they sent for Jesus. The Bible said that he waited for another 4 days. By the Time He arrived, the Sister said: If You had been here on Time, my brother won't have died.

He said: Don't worry yourself; I have the Privilege of delaying and still being on Time.

But you are not God; you have no Control over Time - You can't delay and still be on Time.

In John 9:4; Jesus Christ said clearly while He was here on Earth - He said: The Night comes

when no Man work.

Brother/Sister, work while it is day!

He said that: I must work the work of Him that sent me while it is day. Why? Because the Night is coming when no Man can work (John 9:4).

Why must you always be in a hurry? Why must you make sure that you don't waste a day from today till the rest of your Life?

It is that some doors don't stay open forever - If God has given you an open door, move Fast!

In the Story of the ten Virgins that I mentioned earlier - Matthew 25: 1-13; as soon as the Bridegroom came, the five Virgins who were ready went in with the Lord Jesus Christ and the door was shut.

When the five foolish Virgins came and they knocked the door - Lord, we are here! We have been waiting for You before - It is because you delayed, that is why our Lamp went out. He said: I don't even know you!

And once God shuts the door, that door is shut.

Genesis 7: 13-16; for years Noah had been warning the People - A flood is coming, get into the Ark of Salvation. The People said: Which Rain? Where will the Rain come from? As at this time, Rain had never fallen.

As soon as the Rain began to fall; as soon as those who are willing to act had already moved into the Ark; the Bible said that God shut the door - It wasn't Noah that shut the door.

His Relatives came when they suddenly saw what is going on - Water is coming from under the Ground and Rain was falling from Above.

They ran to the Ark - They knocked and cried to Noah: Noah, open the door for me. Don't you know me? I am so, so, so; we are together in Primary School.

Once God shut the door, Nobody will be able to open it.

Revelation 3:7 says that: When He closes a door, no Man can open it.

When you read Genesis 27: 30-37; you will discovered that a little delay can be very costly.

Because the Bible says that Isaac called Esau - Go and get me food; the kind that I will enjoy so that I can bless you.

Esau went and before he came, Jacob had already brought food to Papa - Papa had eaten and had Poured the Blessings on Jacob.

The Bible said that just as Jacob was getting out of the door; within Seconds of Jacob disappearing, Esau came. But it was late.

And Bible Scholars believed that it is most likely that Esau Prepared the food and decided to eat Part of it - He just wanted to have his own share of the food before bringing the remainder to Papa.

... Papa is not going anywhere now! Let me finish my own bit - All because he loves food!

There are certain things that you can't even say that I will do after eating!

There are certain things you have to do at a Particular moment.

You must learn to be in a hurry - A little delay can be costly.

You must learn as they say in an English Proverb - "You must learn to Strike the Iron while it is hot".

Because when it became cold, you can't make the same Amendments that you could make while the Iron is hot.

2 Kings 13: 14-19 - You know the Story!

Elisha was about to die and the King came to him and wept over him - Ha, my father my father; what am I going to do? You are the one defending this Nation - The Chariot of Israel and the Horsemen thereof.

And Elisha told him what to do - Okay, take bow and arrow and Shoot. He shot. Then after Elisha said: Take an arrow and smite the Ground.

After he smote three times he stopped.

And the Man of God said that why do you stop? You should have smitten five or more times, then your Victory would have been Complete.

I have told you before - If I was the King and I heard that three times is not enough; I will pick that arrow, keep smitting the Ground and he will be the one begging me to stop. But the King just stood there until the Bible says that Elisha died.

Smite the Iron when the Iron is hot - Child of God, Please don't Play with this ever again!

Don't say that I will Pray later on or I will do this or that later on - Hurry!

I am sure that those of you who has been quarrelling with me for always being in a hurry will learn and become my friend from now on.

You see, God has Time Table for everything!

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8; it says that: There is Time for Planting, Time for Reaping et cetera et cetera.

Everything has a Time according to His Time Table.

And do you know what He says in Psalms 102:13? He said: Thou will arise and have Mercy on Zion. Why? Because He said that the Set Time to Favour her has come.

God has a Set Time - You miss that Set Time, you will be in serious Trouble!

Several years ago, when we went to Ghana to host the first Crusade there - We went to host the Crusade in Kumasi. And I think that the Plane was supposed to depart around 11am. But I woke up in the Morning and the Almighty God told me: If you are still in Town by 8am, you will be in trouble.

I told the People that God said: Get out of Town before 8am - And everybody hurried.

By the Time we got to Accra, for one reason or the other, the Airline has Changed Time Table - We were the last to Board the Plane. We were just on time.

We had no extra Money - We would have been in serious Embarrassment.

In my Journeys across the world; I remembered on one occasion - We just left a Nation early in the Morning. Our Plane just took off at a Particular Period and then there was a Military Coup and the Airport was closed.

DMC NOTES: A Coup, is typically an illegal and overt attempt by a Military Organization or other Government Elites to unseat an incumbent Leadership.

Don't waste Time - Don't say that I have Time because really you don't have!

Somebody said: "Time is Money" - No, Time is more than Money.

Time is Life!

And since you have started listening to me now or reading now on the Label of DMC; Time has been Passing.

When you read Acts 2: 1-4; the Bible said that when the Day of Pentecost was fully come; they were all together in one accord in the Upper Room et cetera et cetera. Then the Holy Spirit came.

☆ Do you know that if there had been one of the Apostles as at the Time that the Holy Spirit came who went to the Toilet; he would have missed it?

☆ Do you know that if any of the Apostles had Strolled in 5 Minutes after the Holy Spirit came, he would have missed out?

You don't know when your Time of Visitation will be - And so, don't waste Time anymore my Beloveth Children!

That brings us to one very important Point - Ecclesiastes 12: 1-7 says: Remember now thy Creator in the days of your Youth.

Don't let anybody deceived you my Beloveth Children: We are all getting Old Per Seconds Per Seconds!

God does not measure in Years but in Days - Teach us to Number our Days, that we may apply our Heaets unto Wisdom (DMC NOTES: Psalms 90:12).

You are Older today than you were Yesterday - Don't think that it is when you get 70 years or 78 years that you are Old. You get Old day by day.

And it says: Remember thy Creator now in the days of your Youth because a Time is coming that what you can do now, you will not be able to do again (DMC NOTES: Ecclesiastes 12:1).

And Probably, what is much more serious is the fact that according to Matthew 25:13 - Watch because you don't know when the Lord will Return.

He is Coming back - He may even arrive before tomorrow Morning.

And when He comes according to 1 Corinthians 15: 51-52; He will come in a Twinkling of an eye.

Do you know what that means? Within Milliseconds, He will come and those who are ready will be gone.

DMC NOTES: Milliseconds means 0.001 Seconds

Those who miss it by Milliseconds, miss it forever!

Ask those who are very Close to me - My children, or Visitors who comes to my house, those that come to Night Prayer Meeting in our house.

Before we go to bed, they will tell you that I end every Prayer in the Evening by saying: "And Lord, if You return before tomorrow; Please don't leave us behind".

I have been Praying that Prayer since I got Born Again because you can sleep tonight and end up in Heaven by tomorrow Morning.

ALTAR CALL

Which is why I am telling those of you who aren't yet Born Again - The Bible made it Abundantly clear: Today is the Day of Salvation, now is the Accepted Time (DMC NOTES: 2 Corinthians 6:2).

Don't say that you will leave it till Next Sunday - Now is the Accepted Time. You don't even know if you will be around by Next Sunday. I don't know if I will be around either.

Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ now! And then you can be sure that you are not "Too Late".

So, if you want to give your Life to Jesus Christ, will you Please bow your Head now wherever you may be and cry unto Him and say: Please save me now and have Mercy on me.

Thank You Father. For in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You once again for Your Words.

And I want to Thank You for those who has urgently Accepted Your Call for Salvation.

Since they have decided to come to You now: Father Please save them now, have Mercy on them now, let Your Blood wash away their sins now, write their names in the Book of Life now, let them become Part of the Family of God now and Oh Lord, let everything become New for them from now on.

Any anytime they cry to You from now on, Please answer them by Fire.

And let them serve You forever.

Thank You Almighty God.

For in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Now, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ because now after that Prayer, you are a Child of God.

And I will advice you to go to the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you - Tell the Pastor there that I sent you and he will tell you what to do next.

And very soon I will be hearing Good News from you!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 56 (POSSESS YOUR POSSESSION)

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 20TH OCTOBER 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 18: 1-3

Let Us Pray!

SONG

Praise Him, Praise Him
The King of Glory Praise Him
Praise Jehovah, Hallelujah Amen!

OPENING PRAYER

King of Glory, we will Worship You because of Your Mercy.

It is of Your Mercy that we are not consumed - Thank You that, that Mercy is renewed everyday.

That is why we are here again Lord God Almighty to Study at Your Feet.

Thank You Lord God Almighty for the Mercy that sorts us out and brought us to Salvation - We are very Grateful Lord.

Please, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Today, as we gather together again at Your Feet, Please because of Your Mercy, send Your Words to us.

And even as it is written: Whenever you send Your Words, You bring Healings and Deliverance.

Bring Healings to us today, bring Deliverance to us today and just answer all our Prayers.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, shake hands with one (1) or two (2) People and say: God Bless You Mightily.

And then, you may Please be seated.

We have now come to Part 56 in our Series: "For Who, The Heavens Opens".

And as you know that all these weeks, we have been Studying the Life of Joshua - Using him as an Example of Someone for whom the Heavens Opened.

We will continue from where we left off in the Last Series (Part 55) - In which we were looking at Joshua 18: 1-3.

1. And the whole Congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the Tabernacle of the Congregation there. And the Land was Subdued before them.

2. And there remained among the children of Israel seven Tribes, which had not yet received their Inheritance.

3. And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye slack to go to Possess the Land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?

The Last Time that we were discussing this, we discussed the issue of Time - How crucial Time is and how we must never waste Time again!

Today, we want to talk about the last bit of that Passage: "Possess the Land" - "POSSESS YOUR POSSESSION".

Yes the Lord God of your father had already given you the Land but you must Possess it.

The kind of Faith that puts all responsibilities on God and none on you as an Individual is an "Irresponsible Faith".

Oh, there is no doubt about it that when Jesus Christ said on the Cross that it is finished, we have the Complete work of Christ - He has Completed every things that God is going to do for your Salvation, for your Healing, for your Deliverance.

Everything is done:

☆ By His Stripes you were already healed.

☆ By the Blood that He shed, your Salvation is already Secured.

☆ With the same Blood, your Victory over Satan is Guaranteed. Because the Bible says that they overcame Satan by the Blood of the Lamb.

☆ Everything that I needed to be done including your Sanctification.

Because when He said that it is finished, He said now you can have the Heart of Flesh - The Stony Heart in you can be taking away and now there is a Heart available!

The Heart of Flesh is the Heart of God Himself.

Grace is Free. It is by Grace that you are saved - Ephesians 2: 8-9.

But you need to obtain it by Faith.

John 3:16 says that: For God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son.

But then, He added that whosoever believed in Him will not Perish but have Everlasting Life.

☆ Some People will want you to believe that because Jesus died for the world, the whole world will go to Heaven - Whether they received Jesus Christ or not.

☆ You will be amazed to know that there are People who Preached that everybody will go to Heaven and it doesn't matter whether or not they get Born Again - That cannot be true.

☆ You will be amazed that People say that once you received the Lord Jesus Christ as Your Lord and Saviour, there is Nothing more for you to do.

All you need to do is to ask them some Simple Questions - Thank God for the Great Sacrifice that Jesus Christ made for us when He died on the Cross.

☆ According to this People, we can say that there is no need for Fasting anymore because He has Fasted for us.

But the Apostle of Grace Himself, Paul said that I Fasted often.

Why will the Apostle of Grace Fast? We need to wake up and Possess our Possession.

God is not Father Christmas.

Even if Father Christmas gives you a Parcel, he expects you to open it - You still have a Part to Play.

1. Psalms 23:5 says: Thou has Prepared a Table before me in the Presence of my Enemies.

God can Prepare a Table before you - He will not come down and put the food in your mouth. You should have a responsibility to eat.

2. Exodus 14: 21-28; God opened the Red Sea for the children of Israel but He did not carry them through - They had to go through the Red Sea on Dry Ground and they did it in haste.

He can open a door for you but He expects you to walk through the door.

He opened the Red Sea and told Moses to tell the children of Israel to go forward.

Some of them could have said: Hey, what are you asking us to do? Look at water like Mountain on the Right and Left? And you want me to walk through this? I am not going.

God can't do more than that - He will open the door for you but He expects you to walk through!

3. In 1 Samuel 17: 34-51; you will noticed that the Bible said that David killed Goliath with a Stone.

I have told you before that it is God who guided that Stone to the forehead of Goliath.

I have told you that if anybody sees something coming towards his face, as a matter of reflection, as soon as you see something coming towards your face, you dodge it, or you bend your head without even thinking.

Goliath saw the Stone coming but couldn't move his head because the Mighty Hands of God kept the head fixed. And then guided the Stone straight to his forehead and the Stone got in and sunk and Goliath fell.

But do you know that God still expected David after that to do something extra - To take the sword of Goliath and cut off that head.

The African Elders has a Proverb - Stay away from a snake whose head is not cut off.

Why? The snake may appeared to you to be dead, if the head is still on, what if it revives? And what if it is Pretending?

On several occasions when I walk through the Redemption Camp at Night, I have seen snakes on my way Pretending to be Completely dead.

Initially, I didn't know the tricks - When they appeared completely dead, I always think that maybe a lorry had crushed them and so I continue on my journey. Only to look back some Seconds later and found out that the snake is no longer there.

So now, when I see the snake Pretending to be dead, I make sure that the head is crushed.

You must Possess your Possession!

4. In John 11: 39-44; the Lord Jesus Christ with His Tremendous Power, with the Ability to raise the dead still engaged the Men around to take away the Stone.

The One who can raise the dead has the Power to tell the Stone to move. But He said that these big boys around, they can do something - Let them do what they can do.

And I Pray that if there is any Stone in your Life that is blocking the Resurrection Power of the Lord Jesus Christ, God will show you the Stone so that you can move it out of the way.

Now, when He now Commanded Lazarus to come forth and Lazarus came out bound in Grave Clothes; Jesus Christ didn't say: Grave Clothes loose!

He said to the People around: Loose him and let him go!

There is what God will do, but you must Play your Part.

5. He can Produce Manna but He will expect you to collect the Manna.

Exodus 16: 4-18; He rained down Manna from Heaven but He told the children of Israel to collect it - Possess your Possession.

You will noticed according to Joshua 5: 10-12 that as soon as the children of Israel got to where they can Plant and they began to Plant; the very day that they began to harvest, Manna ceased.

He will Provide for you when you can't Provide for yourself but He expects you to take Action!

Several years ago, some Students in a Particular University - Wonderful Christian Boys and Girls were failing in their Examinations. And once I heard about it, I called them together: What is happening? Why are you failing? Don't give Jesus Christ a bad Name.

Well, is it not written that the Spirit will remind us of all things? I said of the things that you have learnt.

Examination is around the corner and that is when you are doing Night Vigils, Praising God - And you are not Studying.

The Holy Spirit should be able to do all things? I said sure - He will Comfort you when you fail.

He has sent Somebody like me to tell you - Be Wise and Study!

And Thank God that things Changed after that.

... There is what God will do, there is what you have to do yourself.

6. The Bible tells us that it is God who gives Increase - But it is you who will have to do the sowing.

John 12:24 made it clear - When a corn of wheat is standing in your hand or barn; it will remain alone. It is only when it falls into the Ground - When you sow it, that it will begin to Germinate and Multiply.

Oh, God is able to make whatever you are doing Increase Abundantly but you have to do the sowing first.

Oh, I'm going to do this for God but until you do it, you cannot expect a Harvest - He gives the Increase.

But the Bible says in Galatians 6:7 - He said that God is not mocked.

Be not deceived, God is not mocked; it is whatsoever you sow that you will reap.

And until you sow, you are not going to reap anything.

I'm sure this is just to remind some of us because we heard it before - I have said it that if you are a highly Anointed Person and you get a Particular Piece of Property or Land and you clear it very well. And you decide to Fast and Pray for 40 days and 40 Nights and everyday you go to that Piece of Land that you have cleared - Decreeing and Prophesying rice to grow in the Mighty Name of Jesus. And you don't sow rice; the only thing that will grow will be weeds.

It is after you sow that the Seed will then begin to Germinate and then begin to Produce Fruits.

Do you know that as Mighty as God is, you are the only one who will determine how much you will reap.

Because in 2 Corinthians 9:6; it says that if you sow sparingly, you will reap sparingly; you sow bountifully, you will reap bountifully.

Because it is what you give to Him that He will Multiply,

When the five loaves of Bread and two fishes were in the Hand of that boy; as long as the Lunch remains in the Hand of the boy, it was five loaves and two fishes.

It was after the boy Surrendered them to Jesus Christ that Multiplication began.

God will Provide Solution to whatever Problem that you have but you have to claim it.

7. When you read Numbers 21: 4-9; the Bible tells us the Story of when the Children of Israel murmured in the Wilderness and God heard their murmuring and decided to let loose fierce serpents among them. They began to bite them and the biting of the snake was like fire.

And they repented and they cried to Moses - Please we have offended God; ask Him to Please forgive us and take away that serpent from us.

And God said okay Moses, make a serpent of Brass and lift it up. And tell them that anytime any snake bite you, look up to the serpent that is lifted up.

All those who looked at the serpent lifted up were healed.

Do you know that some People still died!

Solution was there hanging on a tree but they said that how can an Ordinary Brazen serpent cure me of the Poison of a snake.

The Bible says that as Moses lifted up the serpent in the Wilderness; so the Man of God must be lifted up.

Jesus Christ is lifted now - He has been lifted up on the Cross thousand of years ago. All you have to do is to "Look and Live".

But if you say that I am not looking; well don't blame God if you die - You must Possess your Possession.

8. In Acts 2: 1-4; God Provided Anointing - The Holy Spirit came and landed on the head of all the Apostles.

God gave the Power but He expects you to use that Power.

Acts 3: 1-8; Peter and John were on their way to the Temple, when they saw a Crippled Man asking for alms.

And Peter remembered that I have received Power and he decided to use the Power - He said to the Man: Silver and Gold I have none but I have something now; in the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.

And when he said it, the Man didn't move.

But because the Power has descended on him and the Citadel of the Anointing is the head with the hand as the Conductor.

It was until Peter grabbed that Man's hand that Anointing flowed through Peter to that Lame Man. And his ankle bones received Strength and he got up jumping and singing and dancing.

There are many of us as Children of God - We have been Baptised in the Holy Spirit and we have Power but we are not using it.

And He says that if we lay hands on the Sick, they will recover.

And some of us are not laying hands on anybody - And we claimed that how do we know if we lay hands on the Sick, they will recover? What if we lay hands on them and they didn't recover?

Well, what if you lay hands on them and they do recover?

Possess your Possession - Use what you have!

9. When you read 2 Kings 2: 9-15; Elisha asked Elijah for a Double Portion of his Spirit - You know the Story.

When Elijah was taking away, his Mantle fell - God made sure that Elijah dropped the Mantle

But it is not God who came down to pick the Mantle and put it into the hands of Elisha - Elisha picked up the Mantle himself.

☆ Elisha went to River Jordan himself.

☆ Elisha rolled the Mantle the way his Master did by himself.

☆ Elisha smote River Jordan like his Master did by himself.

Before he even cried: "Where is the God of Elijah my father?"

God can cause the Mantle to fall but it is his (Elisha) duty is to pick it up, and it is his duty to use it .

On several occasions, we have Anointed your Handkerchiefs - Some of put the Handkerchiefs in our Pocket and just forget about it.

And when you begin to hear the Testimonies of others who has used the same Handkerchiefs - The kind that you get, and God Produced results; don't blame God because you didn't use your own.

10. In Jeremiah 33:3; God says that if you call on me, I will answer you.

Do you know what that means? He can answer all Prayers but you have to call on Him first.

You can say that afterall, He knows all my Needs - He is the All Sufficient God.

Afterall it is written that God shall Supply all my Needs according to His Riches in Glory.

But if you don't ask, you won't get.

Today, I'm requesting you; Particularly those of you who are not yet Born Again, don't waste Time anymore - Come to Jesus Christ, let Him save your Soul. Today is the Day of Salvation, don't leave it till tomorrow.

And those of us who are already Children of God, you have Tremendous Blessings in Jesus Christ - Continue to Appropriate them, continue to use all the Things that God has Provided for you in Jesus Christ.

At least continue to cry unto Him so that He can answer your Prayers.

I'm believing God for all of you who will call on Him today that very soon, I will be hearing Mighty Testimonies from you.

ALTAR CALL

And those of you who will want to give your Life to Jesus Christ, will you Please bow your head now:

Call on Him for Salvation - He will save you today.

He has been waiting for you to call on Him - Call on Him now: Ask Him to have Mercy on you, save your Soul, forgive your sin and make you a Child of God.

And He will do so!

Pray that Prayer now as I join you to cry for your Salvation!

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

And so my Father and my God, I want to Thank You once again for Your Words.

And I want to Thank You especially for those who has responded to Your Word - Who says that I won't waste Time anymore and I will look unto Jesus and be saved.

As they have come to You today, Please receive them, have Mercy on them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away their sins, write their names into the Book of Life today and let them become a Part of

the Family of God.

And from now on, whenever they call on You, Please answer them by Fire

And very soon, let me begin to hear Mighty Testimonies from all of them.

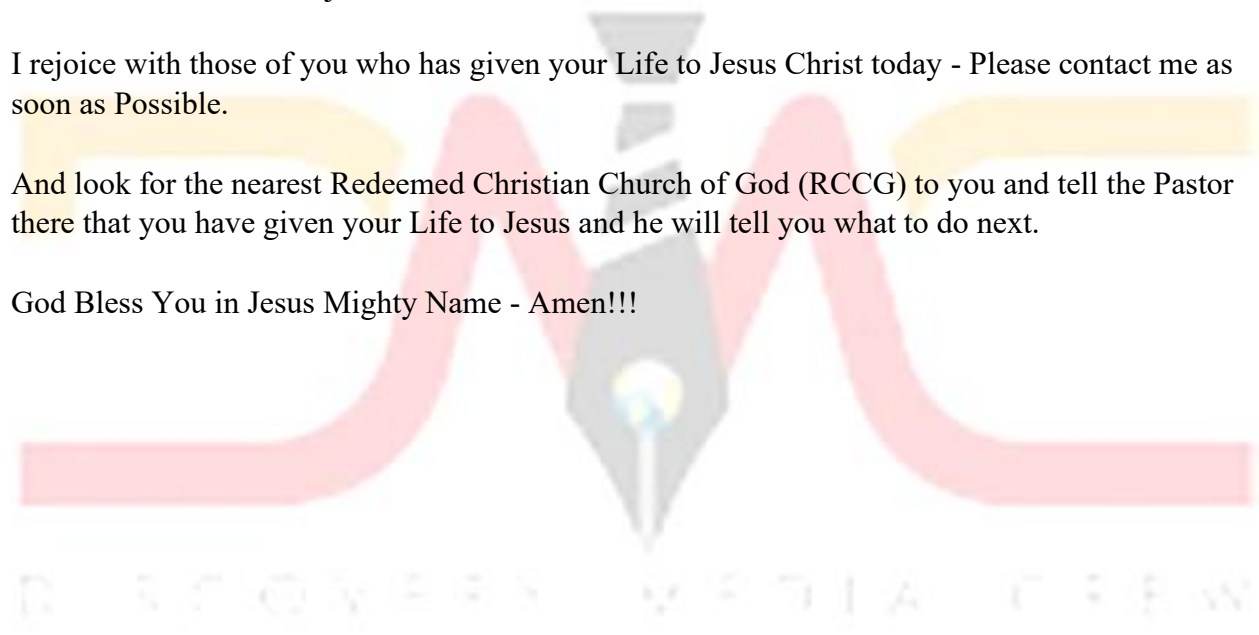
In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ today - Please contact me as soon as Possible.

And look for the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you and tell the Pastor there that you have given your Life to Jesus and he will tell you what to do next.

God Bless You in Jesus Mighty Name - Amen!!!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 57 (THE POWER OF CHOICE)

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 27TH OCTOBER 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 24: 14-15

Let Us Pray!

SONG

You are the Mighty God
The Great I am
Hallelujah, Hallelujah
You are the Mighty God
The Great I am
Hallelujah, Hallelujah

OPENING PRAYER

Father Almighty, we give You all Glory and Honour.

We bless Your Holy Name because You are the Almighty - You can never fail, You have never failed before and you will never, never fail.

Father, we are glad that we are Your Children - And we know that with You on our side, Oh God we are More Than Conqueror.

Accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Today, once again in all our lives, Please Prove Your Almightyness, Solve all our Problems and let all be well.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, greet one (1) or two (2) of your Neighbour and say: It is going to be well with you in Jesus Name.

And then you may Please be seated!

We are about to begin to bring to a Close our Study of the Life of Joshua - The one we have selected as a Case Study of a Person: "For Whom, the Heavens Opened" as we reach Part 57.

And our Bible Text this time will be Joshua 24: 14-15,

Like I said, you might wonder why are we jumping? Why don't we take every Chapter one by one?

Well, because there are other things to Study - And if you have been Studying a Particular Book for more that 50 Weeks, I think that we may have to move on.

In Joshua 24: 14-15 - Joshua had gathered together all the children of Israel.

Now, he was very old and he knew that the end was near and he has spoken to the Children of Israel.

You can read the whole Chapter 24 - A very beautiful reading.

But then in Verse 14 and 15, he now says:

Joshua 24: 14-15:

14. Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in Sincerity and in Truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD.

15. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

Two (2) important Points are what we will dwell on in this Particular Bible Text.

I. Oh, we could have said: Why don't we talk on: "Fear the Lord" - That will be a very Good Topic.

☆ Afterall, the fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom.

☆ Afterall, there are tremendous benefits that are available only to those who fear the Lord.

II. Or we could look at: "Serve Him in Sincerity and in Truth".

III. Or we can look at: "Put away the gods which your father served" - Get rid of the idols your Parents served.

But we just want to look into two (2) important things:

1. CHOOSE - Choose you this Day whom you will Serve.

And we want to talk about the Power of Choice.

Why? Life is all about Choices and the corresponding Reparations of Choices.

Whatever you are today, is Primarily the result of what you Choose yesterday!

For Example: If a Student was very Good in Secondary School in Physics, Chemistry and Biology; depending on the Choice of that Pupil, he could end up a Medical Doctor or an Engineer - Determine which type: Mechanical, Civil etc.

Oh, he could end up being a very Good Teacher - He can even become a Professor: A Professor of Physics, Chemistry or Biology.

And even if he Choose to do Medicine, he could still end up a Dentist or another Section of Medicine.

For Example, in Genesis 25: 29-34; Esau was asked to make a Choice between food and his Inheritance based on him being the first born - He Choose food.

When the time of Blessings came in Genesis 27: 1-37; because he has already sold his Birthright, the One to whom, he sold the Birthright was the one that got the Blessings.

So many times, we heard People say that Jacob stole the Blessings of Esau - No! He didn't steal; Esau sold the Blessings years before.

It is important for us to know:

☆ What we Choose yesterday is what made us what we are today.

☆ And whatever we Choose today, will determine what we will become tomorrow.

2. Now, it will interest you to know that Biologically you have only two (2) Options in Life - Every Choice is only between two (2) Options: Light and Darkness.

As a matter of fact, if you see a Big Computer working, you see the whole thing blinking - And

what is happening is that the Computer is just Choosing between two (2) Things - "Light On" and "Light Off".

Life is only made up of two (2) Options:

☆ Up or Down.

☆ Forward or Backward.

☆ Right or Wrong.

☆ Blessing or Curse.

But what if you decide to Stand Still?

The moment you Choose to Stand Still, it means that you have Chosen to go backwards.

How can that be?

If a Child is in Form 2 this Year and he is in Form 2 again Next Year; he has already gone backwards.

You said: How come?

His Classmates had already moved on to Form 3 and his Juniors in Form 1 had caught up with him.

You can't Stand Still - A Choice to say that I Stand Still is a Choice to say: "I want to go backwards"

☆ It is either Forwards or Backwards!

☆ It is either a Choice between Obedience and Disobedience,

☆ It could be Sickness or Health; Joy or Sorrow; Success or Failure.

Isaiah 1:19 - If you are willing and Obedient, you will eat the Good of the Land.

Compare that to Isaiah 1:20 - If you say that I am not going to be Obedient, the Bible made it clear: The sword will devour you.

Isaiah 3:10 says: Say ye to the Righteous that it shall be well with him.

Compare that to Isaiah 3:11 - Woe to the Wicked, it shall be ill with him.

Now, if you Choose Obedience because you have to Choose today; the Blessings that will follow you are many - Read Deuteronomy 28: 1-13; and you will see all the Blessings lined up there when you are Obedient!

I. He says that you will Succeed in the City and you will Succeed in the farm.

Do you know what that means?

You will Succeed in the office or in the farm if you choose to be a Farmer.

Genesis 26: 1-14 - God told Isaac: Stay in this Land.

If you use Modern Language - Don't "Jappa". Stay here and do what I have told you to do.

He stayed, he sowed and you know what follows - The Bible said that he became Very Great. While everybody is shouting Famine, he was Growing and Prospering.

II. If you Choose Obedience, Part of the Blessings is that your Children will be Blessed - The Fruit of your Body.

Go through the Scriptures and you will find out that:

☆ Abraham was blessed and he became Great.

☆ And Isaac, the Fruit of his body became Very Great.

☆ Jacob, his Grandchild became Exceedingly Great - Genesis 30: 27-43.

☆ Even Esau, one of his Grandchildren; in spite of the fact that he sold his Birthright. But because he happened to be a Grandchild of Abraham, he became Significant - Genesis 32: 1-6.

He became so Great that he has four hundred (400) Bodyguards because of the Blessings that is upon his Grandfather.

III. If you Choose Obedience, Part of the Blessings is that you will be Secured - Security.

I will ask you to Please read Psalms 121: 1-8; and you will notice that everywhere you go, your Security will be Guaranteed.

IV. You Choose Obedience, Part of the Blessings is that you will have Victory.

Psalms 23:5 says: God even Prepare a Table before you in the Presence of your Enemies.

Proverbs 16:7 says clearly that if a Man's way Pleases God, He will cause even his Enemies to be at Peace with him.

V. If you Choose Obedience, you will have Abundance.

Read Malachi 3: 10-12 - It tells you that if you obey God, He will bless you so much that even Nations will be afraid of you because they will know that God is behind you.

Proverbs 3: 9-10; God says that you honour Him with your First Fruit of your Increase, He said that He will bless you and you won't have room to contain it.

VI. Part of the Blessings of Obedience is Divine Promotion.

We all know that Promotion comes from God - Psalms 75: 5-7.

It is God who Promotes and He is the One who decides your Promotion.

When you read 1 Samuel 16: 11-13; you can see that God can go and get a boy from the Bush and make him a King,

On the other hand, if you Choose Disobedience; you will see the trouble that will follow:

I. Genesis 3: 1-7 - Eve disobeyed God, Adam disobeyed God and what was the result?

They found themselves Naked - The Glory of God departed from them.

Those who used to be robed in the Glory of God, began to wear leafs.

You want to see Signs of Disobedience? Maybe you don't know that in some Nations of the world, some Ladies get arrested for running Naked on the Street.

They want to see how far they can run before the Police will catch up with them.

When you decide to disobey God, you will expose your Nakedness and you will call it Fashion.

II. When you Choose Disobedience, read Deuteronomy 28: 15-end - It is Frightening but Please ensure that you read it all.

If you Choose Disobedience, what God says will follow you is Frightening!

III. In 1 Samuel 15: 1-29; the Bible tells us of what happened when King Saul will not even obey God fully,

He Choose not to obey God fully and he lost his Kingdom

It is better to Choose to be on the Lord's Side - Because you are either on His Side or you are not on His Side.

There is no way that you can be Neutral - You are either "For" or you are "Against".

I will remind you of the Story of a Young Man called Levi:

In Genesis 49: 5-7; the Bible tells us that Levi has offended his father years before; and the father kept quiet, waiting for the Final Day when he was going to die - At the time when there will be no room to maneuver.

As he laid on his deathbed, he called all his children together and said to Levi - Levi, you will become Nothing and you will be scattered in Israel.

But then, a day came in Exodus 32: 25-26; when the Children of Israel were Worshipping an idol - Dancing naked before their Enemies.

Moses came from the Mountain where he had gone to collect the ten Commandments; saw what was happening and said: What?

So, he cried out to the People - He said that I know that there will always be a remnant: Which of you is on the Lord's Side?

And the Bible says that all the sons of Levi gathered themselves to him.

God looked down from Heaven and said: Levi! You choose to be on my Side?

The Curse your father Pronounced on you, not only will I cancel the Curse, I will reverse it.

So later on, He told Moses in Numbers 3: 5-13 that Levi shall be mine.

The one that his father said will become Nothing, God said that he will be my Favourite and he will be my first born - Bring him near to me.

Because he Choose to be on the Lord's Side.

Choose today to be on the Lord's Side and He will reverse every Curse that is upon your Life and

replace every Curse with a Blessing.

In 1 John 2: 15-17; the Bible says Clearly: Love not the world neither the things that are in the world.

Because everything that is in the world, if you love them, then it means that you don't love God.

And the world is going to Pass away - All those things that you are Pursuing that will not let you serve God, they are going to Pass away.

It is only those who love God that will abide forever.

You know: When Jesus Christ was giving an Invitation in Matthew 11: 28-30 - When He said, come unto me all ye that labour and are heavily laden and I will give you rest.

Do you know what He is asking you to do?

Choose between Rest and Burden - Choose between Rest of Mind and Troubles.

Choose between Light and Darkness.

Choose between Obedience and Disobedience.

The Choice is yours today!

And you have to Choose today - That is what Joshua said to his People: Choose you this day whom you will serve.

The Bible made it Abundantly clear - A Servant cannot serve two (2) Masters. It is either you love one and hate the other.

The moment you say: I don't Choose Christ, you have already Chosen the devil.

If you don't Choose Light, then you have Chosen Darkness.

If you don't Choose Blessings, then you have Chosen Curses.

Why don't you Choose to serve the Lord and you will see all the Blessings that will come along with it.

ALTAR CALL

So, if you are listening to me and you have not yet decided for Jesus Christ; you better decide

today because by saying that I will delay my Decision, it means that you have already made a Choice that you don't want Him.

And if you don't want Him, you will continue to carry your burdens and you haven't seen anything yet.

He says: Say ye to the Righteous, it shall be well with him. But woe to the Wicked, it shall be ill with him

What is your Choice?

If you Choose to be on the Lord's Side, bow your Head now:

Ask Him to save your Soul and I will join my Prayers with yours and He will save your Soul.

And instead of burden, you will have Peace!

Let us Pray!

Cry to Him and say: Lord, have Mercy on me, save my Soul, I want to be on Your Side and I want to belong to You.

Just have Mercy on me.

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

Lord God Almighty, I just want to Thank You for Your Words.

I Thank You for Destinies that are being determined right now.

I Thank You for the People who are Choosing You now because by Choosing You, they are going to miss Hell.

Father, Please receive them, have Mercy on them, let Your Blood wash away their sins, save their Souls today Lord, write their names in the Book of Life, and receive them into the Family of God.

And from now on, anytime they call on You, Please answer them by Fire.

And all Your Children who are already on Your Side, Please Lord I Pray that they will never Choose to be on the Other Side.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, I rejoice with those of you who have given your Life to Jesus Christ.

Please Contact me as soon as Possible and I Promise you to be Praying for you from now on.

Please go to the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) - Tell the Pastor there that I sent you and he will tell you what to do Next.

God Bless You!

Congratulations for making a Great Choice!!!



SPECIAL RCCG ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

TOPIC: FOR WHOM THE HEAVENS OPEN - PART 58 (AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE)

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 10TH NOVEMBER 2024

BIBLE TEXT: JOSHUA 24: 14-15

Let Us Pray!

SONG

We give all the Glory to Jesus
And tell of His Love
His Wonderful Love
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OPENING PRAYER

Father, we give You all the Glory, we give You all the Honour, we give You all the Adoration.

We Thank You for Your Faithfulness - Alpha and Omega, we Worship You.

We Thank You for starting this Series on Joshua with us; we Thank You because today You are about to Close this Series.

We Thank You for Your Faithfulness Oh Lord, we Thank You for all the Lessons that we have learnt.

We Thank You for all the Changes in our lives that has been brought about as a result of the Study.

Please, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Father, You always reserve the Best till the Last; we Pray that You will give us the Best today.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

Well, finally we have come to Part 58 in our Series: "For Whom The Heavens Open".

Will you greet one (1) or two (2) People around you and say: "You will end well".

And then, you may Please be seated.

Today, we just want to take one more look at Joshua 24: 14-15.

Joshua 24: 14-15:

14. Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in Sincerity and in Truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD.

15. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

This Particular Passage has a Very Great Significance for me as an Individual.

You may not know it, but when I gave my Life to Jesus Christ in 1973; and I came to Sunday School for the first time, this Joshua 24:15 was the Memory Verse that Sunday - Choose you who you want to serve. But as for me and my Household, we will serve the Lord.

And Thank God that God was looking into my Future and He arranged for me to start off my Journey in Christianity with this Passage.

1. The first Lesson we learnt from this Passage is: "AS FOR ME".

When it comes to things of God, "Self First" is not Selfishness - You need to take Note of that!

Because Matthew 19:19, the Bible says that you are to love your Neighbour as yourself.

Meaning what?

You must first of all love yourself and then use that measure of Love to love your Neighbour - If you don't love yourself, you can't love your Neighbour.

The Elders has a saying - They said that the one who will gladly step on her dress, will gladly tear the dresses of others.

Ask the Elders, they will tell you that the reason why Witches are so terrible is because they can kill their own children.

And if Somebody can kill her own Child, then your Child is not safe with her.

When it comes to things of God - Things deeply Spiritual, Self first is not Selfishness!

The Bible made it clear in Romans 14:12 that everyone will give an Account of himself - We will Stand before the Judgement Throne of God one by one.

You will never find two People born at the same time, the same day - Even a Set of Twins must come out before the other.

Genesis 25: 19-26 told us about a Set of Twins coming out of the same Womb - Esau come first.

Jacob was in an hurry to come and so grab Esau leg but Esau still came out first.

You have to come to this world one by one and when it is time to go, we will go one by one.

When the Day of Judgement comes, we will Stand before God one by one.

You say: Ha, if God is going to Judge all the People of the world and He is taking them one at a time, won't that take long?

Over there, there is no Night!

In Matthew 24: 40-41; the Bible says that two People will be on the same bed when the Lord returns - One will be taken and another will be left behind.

It is a matter of an Individual situation.

If the husband belongs to God and the wife says that, No I'm not following God; when the Rapture comes, no matter how much they say they love each other, they will go one by one - One may go and the other may be left behind.

In Revelation 22:12, Jesus Christ said: Behold I come quickly - I am here to give to every Man according to how his works shall be.

When it is time to reward you, the Reward of the husband will not be given to the wife and vice versa.

In Revelation 3:20; Jesus Christ said that: Behold I Stand by the door and I knock. If any Man will hear my voice - Only one Fellow.

And if that Fellow open the door to me, then I will come in unto him - Individual Salvation!

In Revelation 3:11; the Bible says: Hey, hold fast that which you have - You as an Individual.

Let no Man take your Crown - You have a Crown as a Child of God; hold it fast.

It didn't say, don't let anyone take "Our Crown" but ^Your Crown".

So, consider David as a very Good Example:

You will find out that whenever David is talking about something serious about God, he uses Individual - Singular.

I. Psalms 23:1 - He said that: The Lord is "My" Shepherd - not "Our" Shepherd.

II. He said that: "I" shall not want.

III. He said: When "I" walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, "I" shall fear no evil.

IV. Thou Preparest a Table before "Me" - Not before "Us".

V. Oh there are some People - When they want to finish a Service, they will say let us share the Grace:

Psalm 23:6 - Surely Goodness and Mercy shall follow "Us".

I say that is not in the Bible - David didn't say Goodness and Mercy shall follow "Us".

He said: Surely, Goodness and Mercy shall follow "Me".

VI. That's why you hear him say in Psalms 34:1 - "I" will bless the Lord at all times, His Praise shall continually be in "My" mouth.

VII. In Psalms 18: 1-3 he said: "I" will love thee my Lord.

And then he began to talk about what God is to him:

☆ My Lord and my Strength - He didn't say: Our Lord, our Strength.

He said that I know where I got my Strength from - He said: My Rock - Not our Rock.

He said: My Fortress - I know where I go to hide in the time of trouble.

He knows that the Bible says that: The Name of the Lord is a Strong Tower; the Righteous runs

into it and he is safe.

He said that: He is the Horn of my Salvation - My Salvation comes from Him.

He says that: He is my High Tower.

DMC NOTES: All the above found in Psalms 18:2

The Relationship between him and God was so Personal that when he made a terrible blunder and God sent Prophet Nathan to go and tell him: Look at what you have done, he said that I am downfall - Oh God I mess up.

God said okay, I won't let you die - We are too close for that and we are too Intimate for that but I will Punish you.

DMC NOTES: In one of the darkest hours of his Life, King David committed adultery with Bathsheba and then had her husband, Uriah, killed. God sent therophet Nathan to tell David a Parable of a rich man who passed over his own flock and took a poor man's beloved pet lamb to feed his guests - You can read this Story in 2 Samuel 12: 1-25

You must make up your Mind that as for me; I am going to serve the LORD!

He is saying that the rest of you can take your own Decision - You can choose what you want to do, but my own Choice is Settled.

He said in Psalms 108:1 - He said that my Heart is fixed with me; I will bless the Lord.

You know that the word "Fixed" there is like Concrete.

When you are building a house, laying the Foundation and you pour concrete; they said that wait till it is fixed, wait till it is Solid.

And once it becomes Solid, there is Nothing you can do about it anymore - It is fixed.

When they are building a Bridge and they have laid all the irons et cetera; then they put Concrete and wait till it is fixed.

There is Nothing that anybody can do to you if your Heart is Fixed on Jesus Christ!

There is Nothing that can happen that can cause you to even think of Backsliding.

But it is an Individual Decision.

Please go over your Choice today - Is your Heart fixed on serving the Lord?

2. And then he went on to say: "As for me and my House".

After you have Settled the issue of your own Salvation, the very next thing that you must do is to settle the Salvation of your Household - It is very, very crucial.

If there is any Member of your family that is not yet saved, you still have a lot of work to do.

I. Look at Rehab - She was an Harlot. You can read her Story in Joshua 2: 1-21.

Some Spies were sent to go and spy Jericho when the Children of Israel was about to take over.

And since there was no Place that they can stay in, they stayed in the house of an Harlot - Harlot House is open to anybody.

And so, they stayed there.

As soon as they get in, she knew that these are Israelis - They have come.

And when the People in the Town heard that some Strangers has come to the house of the Harlot, they came looking for them.

Before they came, she had already hid them.

They came to search - Have you seen such and such People?

She said: Yes they are here but they have already gone.

And so, she sent the People away to go and search for the People - And they were still hidden with her.

After the People who are to Pursue them left, she spoke to them and said: Now, you have seen what I have done for you.

We have heard about you and we have heard about your God. Your fear is already upon the Land and we know that you are going to take over this Place.

But Please, do something for me in return - Spare me and my father's house.

Even an Harlot knew that her Salvation alone is not enough - Her Household also must be saved!

You know the rest of the Story - When Jericho finally fell, both herself and every Members of

her family were spared.

II. When you consider the Story in Luke 16: 19-31:

It tells us the Story of a rich Man who was always enjoying himself everyday - Everyday was like Christmas.

And there was this Lazarus who was a Beggar - Sitting down by his table, picking up crumbs. Dogs will come and lick his wounds and so on and so forth.

And then the rich Man died and Lazarus died too.

And when both of them died, the rich Man went to Hell and Lazarus went to the Bosom of Abraham.

The rich Man lifted up his eyes and saw Lazarus at the Bosom of Abraham.

And he cried out to Father Abraham: Help me, I'm tormented in this Place. Ask that Young Man to come and give me some water to drink.

Ask him - I never chased him away when I was in the world, I never attacked him. Let him come and help me now!

Father Abraham said: Sorry he can't come as there is a Gap between us.

What was the next thing that the rich Man said - He said: Please, I have Members that are still in the world. I don't want them to come where I am.

I'm telling you Brethren - Hell is not a Place that you want any Member of your family to go to.

The Man was so desperate that he said: Please send Somebody from the dead to go and warn my People so that they won't come here.

But he was denied!

If you die and you go to Heaven and you looked down from the Threshold of Heaven and you see Members of your family in Hell - God forbids; it is going to create a Problem for you.

You must wake up today to a very, very urgent Assignment - The Salvation of your family.

III. When you read Acts 16: 25-34; Paul and Silas were in Jail and the Jailers was there watching over them to make sure that they won't escape.

The moment the Jailer saw the Power of God and he gave his Life to Jesus Christ; the next thing he did was to gather his family Members together so that all of them can taste Salvation at the same time.

The Jailer didn't wait till the second day.

Let me tell you one thing: Prison is not a Place for Soft People Particularly in those days - Soft Hearted People can't be a Jailer. Jailers in those days are Tough People - People with Heart of Stone.

But when this Man found Salvation, the first thing he thought of is his family.

And many of you listening to me now or reading now on the Label of DMC; God knows how long ago you have been Born Again and only God knows how many Members of your family are still far from God.

You know fully well that if any Man dies without Christ, he is going to Hell.

You are Thanking God that you have escaped Hell because you have received Jesus Christ; what about Members of your family?

Wake Up today!

I know that several of us has already won Souls for Christ and you are still winning Souls for Christ in your Place of work or on your way to work et cetera.

What about your own People? Charity should begin at home.

IV. In Acts 10: 1-end, all the Good works of Cornelius were rewarded by Salvation for himself.

And when God sent an Angel to him to say: I send Somebody who will show you the way of Salvation; he did not wait for Peter alone; as soon as he knew that Peter was coming, he gathered together every Members of his family.

If you are saved and you ignored the Salvation of just one of your Children, they can destroy every Promises of God for you.

In 1 Samuel 2: 12-36; Eli was a High Priest of God.

God said to him: I said to you that indeed you and your father's house will Stand before me forever, but now I say God forbid.

Why? Because his Children were not following in his footsteps.

You can't afford for any Member of your Household not to be saved!

But just one Person in your Household that is not saved can destroy the future of the Household.

It takes only one Sinner to destroy the Destiny of the entire family.

When you read 2 Kings 5: 20-27; it was Gehazi alone that sinned. But when the Prophet was Pronouncing a Judgement on him, He said that the Leprosy of Naaman will cleave on him and unto his Seeds forever.

He (Gehazi) became Patron-Saint of Lepers!

Medicine is just discovering what has been there all along - That there are certain diseases that are Genetical.

If there is a Curse in the Genes of your Parents, it will affect you.

That is why the Bible says that: If you are in Christ, you become a New Creature.

You have to be created anew so that the Genes of those People coming before you might not have a Negative Effect on you.

That's why He said you become a New Creature, that Old Things are Passed away, all things has become New.

It is not you alone that must be saved, your family Members also must be saved.

I'm crying to you - Those of you listening to me now or reading now on the Label of DMC; who are already Born Again, go and begin serious work on every Members of your family.

So that you will be able to say that: As for me and my Household, we will serve the Lord.

ALTAR CALL

As for those of you who have not given your Life to Jesus Christ, I'm appealing to you - You may be the first Person in your family to be saved and then through your efforts bring your entire family to God.

So, if you want to give your Life to Jesus Christ, Please bow your head now in Prayers:

Cry to Him to save your Soul, to forgive you your sins and Promise Him that you will serve Him

for the rest of your Life.

Call on Him now and I will Pray for you!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, once again I want to say Thank You for Your Words.

I want to Thank You for these People who has made up their Minds that from now on, they want to Surrender their lives to You.

Father, Please receive them, save their Souls, let Your Blood wash away every sins in their lives, receive them into the Family of God and just let it be well with them.

And for those of us Lord God Almighty that are Born Again, and there are Members of our families yet to be Born Again; Please have Mercy on us, give us the Grace that from now on, to rigourously Pursue the Salvation of our Family Members so that our Joy may be full.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Well, I rejoice with those of you who has given your Life to Jesus Christ.

I want to Promise you that from now on by the Grace of God, I will be Praying for you.

But Please go to the nearest Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) to you - Tell the Pastor there that I sent you and he will tell you what to do next.

Very soon, I will be hearing your Testimonies!

God Bless You.

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!!!



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