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You are Worthy to be Praised
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My Redeemer
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OPENING PRAYER

Father Almighty, Ancient of Days; the Alpha and Omega; the Unchangeable Changer - Glory be to Your Holy Name. Please accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Thank You for all You have done for us since the last time that we met; Thank You that You are still on the Throne; Thank You because we know that our tomorrow is going to be alright. Please accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

Today my Father and my God, all my Request is that as Your Words will be going forth; everyone in Need of Healings will receive their Healings; everyone in Need of Deliverance will receive their Deliverance.

Today my Father and my God, if there is anyone here considered barren; I Pray that nine (9) Months from now, such a Person will be carrying a Set of Twins.

Beginning from now, all Your Children who are here, Particular those who are Students, will never fail another Exams.

And I Pray Lord God Almighty that this Year in Particular; everyone of Your Children will receive a Promotion.

Thank You Almighty God. For in Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Now, let Somebody shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah! And then you may Please be seated. God Bless You.

I first of all want to Thank the Almighty God for making it Possible for us to meet again. It is amazing that the last time we had a Program here was in 2018 - I never knew it will take this long but God knows what He is doing.

Yes, I believed tonight will be a very Special Night.

Proverbs 9:9 - Give instruction to a Wise Man, and he will be yet Wiser: teach a Just Man, and he will increase in learning.

That Bible Text tells us straightaway that Wisdom can be in Degrees!

Because it is asking us to give Instructions to a Wise Man - Meaning the Man is already Wise and then he will become Wiser.

So, it means that we can talk of Wise, Wiser and hopefully Wisest.

That is why today, we want to talk about: "THE SPECTRUM OF WISDOM".

Wisdom is a very, very Powerful Thing - As a matter of fact:

I. Proverbs 4:7 says: Wisdom is a Principal Thing, therefore get Wisdom. And it says with all your Getting - Getting like cars, houses etc; make sure that you get Understanding along.

II. Proverbs 8:11 tells us that Wisdom is better than Rubbies. In order words, it is better than Precious Stones.

III. Proverbs 19:8 tells us that if you really love your Soul, you must get Wisdom.

IV. Ecclesiastes 7:12 says: Wisdom is a defense. Not only is it a defense, it gives Life.

V. Ecclesiastes 7:19 says: Wisdom Strengthens a Wise Man more than ten Mighty Men.

In order words, a Wise Man is Stronger than Someone who is not Wise but has ten Strong Bodyguards.

VI. Ecclesiastes 9:16 tells us that Wisdom is better than Strength.

VII. Ecclesiastes 10:10 says: Wisdom is Profitable to Direct.

I have decided to give that Little Introduction concerning Wisdom because that is what the Lord laid in my Heart to share with you!

I am believing God that the Prophecy of my brother who introduced us will come to Pass - That after this Evening, you will be Noted for Wisdom.

Now, when we talked about "The Spectrum of Wisdom" - It means that you can go from on extreme to the other extreme!

1. And the Lowest Extreme will be "The Fool".

Who is a Fool?

My Teacher who taught me way back in 1957; he defined a Fool as Somebody who knows not and knows not that he knows not.

A. The Bible says in Psalms 14:1 that a Fool has said in his Heart that there is no God.

That tells you that in a University, there could be a Set of Fools - You know that I grew up in the University before I ended up being a Pastor. And I had a lot of friends who had different opinions about God:

I. There are those who said that there is no God Outrightly - No Creator.

They said that Creation started with a Big Bang or something swamp out of the Ocean, became a Tadpole. The Tadpole ended up becoming a fish of one kind or the other. Finally, it became a Monkey and then the Monkey became a Man.

And when you asked them - Well, who created the Ocean out of which the Tadpole came out? They said: Well, we will soon discover.

II. Then there is another Category that says: Well, maybe there is God - They call him "Higher Power". And that it is most likely that he created the world.

They said that the Prescription of the movement of all the Planets et cetera et cetera; the fact that if the Earth had been just one Degree off the Course, its either we will "Burn Up" or we will "Freeze Out".

They said that the way the Earth is tilted towards the Sun; if it were to be altered by just one Little Degree; we will be finished.

So, they concluded that maybe there is a "Higher Power"; "Higher Intelligence" that put

everything in Place.

But after he finished Creating everything, he lost Control.

III. And then, there are those who even think that they are Clever than all these - And they said that there might be God but He is in Heaven minding His Own Business and I am here on Earth minding my own Business.

So, you can see that even in the Categories of Fools, some Fools are more Foolish than the Others!

B. The Bible talking about these People in 2 Timothy 3:7 - It spoke about People who are "Ever Learning" but never coming to the Knowledge of the Truth.

If you are one of them; I Pray that today will Change you completely - Amen.

C. And according to Matthew 7: 26-27; just before you begin to say: Definitely, I am not a Fool. Read that Passage because another definition of a Fool is the one who knows God's Word but never do them.

If you know for Example that it is written - Thou shall not fornicate and yet you are a Fornicator; then you are a Fool.

The Word of God made it abundantly clear - You shall know the Truth and the Truth shall make you Free.

Because when we first considered holding this Program; my initial urge was to have an "Outward Meeting" - Something like a Holy Ghost Rally, where we can come, jump up and down, shout, enjoy ourselves and then go home.

But when the Almighty God says: No, you have not been here for a while and the way things are going; we need some Solid Food. And if there is Someone who could tell the People I'm sending you to, it is you.

Some of the Reason is that - You used to be one of them. I was an Academician and believed it or not, I used to be a Fool among Fools.

If I tell you what I used to say about Jesus Christ; you will know that there is Truth in the saying: Therefore if any Man be in Christ, He is a New Creature.

If you knew me then, you will know that Jesus Christ can Change a Fool to a Preacher!

If you know the Word of God and you are not Practicing the Word of God; it doesn't matter how

Learned you are, you are a Fool!

2. Higher Up than the Fools is what we will call "The Illiterates".

A. According to that my Teacher in 1957; he defined the Illiterate as the one who knows not but knows that he knows not.

So, he can be taught - There is Hope for the Illiterate!

It will amaze you that many of you are Illiterate with the Possible Exceptions of Lawyers because they are the only "Learned Men".

The Lawyers will tell you that you can have a PhD in Mathematics and you are an Illiterate if you are not a Lawyer.

Which is interesting because when it comes to Medicine, a Lawyer is an Illiterate - He doesn't know the difference between the Lung and the Liver.

Proverbs 12:1 says that there is Hope for the Illiterate because he knows that he doesn't know and he loves Knowledge and so he wants to know. It is the one that doesn't want to know at all that the Bible calls a Brut.

Proverbs 12:1 - Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof is brutish.

In John 9: 39-41; Jesus Christ said to the Pharisees - He says that if only you will admit that you are blind, then I will be able to help you.

But you are blind but you claimed that you see; then your Problem remains.

How can you say that there are many of us who are Illiterates?

Paul the Apostle - A Professor of Law, who definitely speak more than one Language, trained by the best Lawyers of his days said something in Romans 8:26 - He said that we know not how to Pray!

He didn't say "You" but he included himself.

He said that when it comes to Praying the "Right Prayers"; we are all Illiterates.

And believe me honestly, I have found that to be more than true because occasionally you have Someone Precious to you who is in need of Prayer and you don't even know how to Pray!

I give you an illustration: Here is a friend of mine - He is in Pain, I want to Pray that the Pain

should disappeared. He looked at me and say: Daddy, I know that God hears you. Tell Him that I want to come Home!

Tell me, how do you Pray in that situation? - You want him healed, he says that I want to go and the children are around, waiting for the General Overseer to Pray!

Paul said that when it comes to Prayer, we are all Illiterate. He said that we do not know how to Pray!

And if there is a Christian among us here or among those reading now on the Label of DMC; who can tell me that when it comes to Prayer, he knows what to Pray at all times - Raise your hand and we will Pray for a liar!

I Pray that the Almighty God will use this Introduction to open your Heart to learn something today - Amen!

3. We really want to talk about "The Wise" because that is what we will all become - Amen!

I. The first thing that we know about "The Wise" Man is that He Fears God.

Proverbs 9:10 - When you Fear God, that is the beginning of Wisdom.

Now, there are Bible Scholars who will tell you - No, in the Original Greeks, it didn't say that you should Fear God, it says that you should Reference Him.

I explained to them in my own way - Referencing God is very important and crucial. But I believed that the Bible is teaching that we should Fear Him.

And I gave an illustration - I said that there is a little Island in Lagos where I go to when I want to escape from everybody - Be alone with God.

There is a very long Beach there - And at Night, I can walk up and down as long as I want.

So, I go walking up and down for hours and after a while, my feet begin to burn and then I will move close to the ocean and allow the wave to splash over my feet to cool them down.

And I referenced the Ocean because I can't swim. But I said that no matter how Cold I am, I won't put my hand into Fire - I feared Fire!

The Elders has a Saying: Even a Mad Dog will fear Fire!

And one of the names of God is - "The Consuming Fire". You better Fear God as at least you should be Wiser than a Mad Dog!

Which means that a Wise Man knows that:

A. He knows that God exists.

B. He knows that He is Extremely Powerful.

C. He knows that a "Little Movement" of His Fingers can create a Problem for the Wisest Man.

Hebrews 11:6 says: The one who will come to God must first of all know that He exists.

II. Now, who is a Wise Man before you say that I qualified to be?

Matthew 7: 24-25 tells us that the one who hears God's Words and will put them into Practice is a Wise Man.

Jesus Christ says that if you hear my Sayings and you do them; then you are a Wise Man.

So, you are the one who should examine yourself now and say: Am I really a Wise Man?

III. I can tell you if you are a Wise Man by the Company you keep.

Proverbs 13:20 says: If you walk with the Wise, you will be Wise. And it says that the Companion of Fools shall be destroyed.

Show me your friend and I will tell you who you are!

Birds of the same Feather flock together!

So, the fact that you are here today at least is Indicative of the fact that even if you are not "Too Wise"; at least you have an Element of Wisdom - You are gathering with the Right People!

A Wise Person stays with the Wise, he stays away from Evil Companions.

1 Corinthians 15:33 says: Evil Communication corrupts Good manners.

The Elders has a saying - The Sheep that Fellowship with dogs will eat faeces. Sooner or later, the dogs will entertain the Sheep.

Be careful who are your friends - If you discovered that your friend is not Wise, stay away from him (Cut off that Friendship).

In 2 Corinthians 6: 14-16; the Bible talks of not being unequally yoked together with

Unbelievers. And then, it went on to give us the reasons why we must be Separate.

It doesn't matter how long the Friendship had been, after today if you noticed that your friend is not one hundred Percent (100%) on the Side of the Lord, cut off the Relationship!

I will tell you a Story - I had a friend that we were in Primary School together; we went to Secondary School together but I went to the University before him and so I Graduated before him. And we do things together. And then, we find ourselves in the same School as Tutors, teaching in the Grammar School. So the Friendship grew.

Then one day, he was having a Celebration and as his friend, I was there. And then he wanted to share something urgent and he beckoned to me and I followed him to his Bedroom. He shared what he wanted to share, ask for my Advice and I gave him.

And then, it was time to get out of the Bedroom and he was leading the way. Then I looked up and I saw at the Pack of the door a Big Container surrounded with all mannees of cowries.

Fortunately, he didn't see me but that day; I made up my Mind that the Friendship ends today. I wasn't Born Again then but that is what they call "Common Sense".

Then all of a sudden, I remembered that sometimes ago, the two of us are coming to Ibadan and had to Change Vehicle at Ile Ife. Then he said that he wanted to see a friend, come along with me.

We got to the house of the friend; he knocked and the friend answered from inside: Is it a Fish or a Crab? And my friend answered and said: One Fish, one Crab.

I didn't know what it meant but after I saw what I saw, I remembered that occasion and asked an Elder - He said that the Fellow inside the house was a Member of a Secret Society.

I believed that God wanted me to share that one so that you can realised the kind of friend you have been walking with - You can learn from their Speech!

Because according to the Elder - He went on to say: If they are going to need Somebody for a Sacrifice that day; I would have been the one they will Choose.

4. Let us move on to "Wiser".

Because our Bible Text says: You could give Instructions to the Wise, he will yet be Wiser.

There are some of us who are already Wise!

What is that Passage saying? That Passage is simply saying that you that are Wise, one of the

thing that will be common to you is that you can still be Wiser.

In 1 Corinthians 8:2; the Bible says that if anybody thinks he knows, he does not yet know as he ought to.

It doesn't matter how Knowledgeable you are; Particularly on things of God, you have not started!

When Paul was speaking in Philippians 3: 7-10; he said that he let go everything that he thought he could boast of, for one Major reason that "I may know Him" - He was already an Apostle.

So, if you are a Pastor and you think that you already know; then something is wrong!

Wisdom is so Precious that you need to keep Pursuing more and more and more. Be willing to Pay the Price; whatever it is going to cost you to know Him more!

I remembered years ago in 1967 at the Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU); then it used to be University of Ife; I was in my Final Years and in those days, they have Categories of Graduates. We have the General Degree, Combined Degrees and then Special Honours. So, we doing Special Honours look down on other People.

I was doing Special Honours in Mathematics and even among them, I was Special.

Then one day, I just managed to enter where Lecturers refresh themselves and picked a Book from their Library called: "Introduction to a Particular Subject", I opened it, went through and didn't understand anything.

That day, I learnt that you can be Special Honours and be an Illiterate.

No matter how much you know Brethren, don't let us stop Learning!

5. And then we can move Higher still - A Stage in Wisdom to what is called "Spiritual Gifts".

Another definition of Wisdom is the correct Application of Knowledge! - You know something and you applied it correctly, then you are Wise.

For Example: You are travelling on a road that you have never travelled before and then suddenly see a Signboard beside the road saying: Narrow Bridge ahead.

When you see the Sign, you have acquired Knowledge. You are Wise if you see that Sign and then Slow down to drive Pass the Bridge gently.

When you go through Life, at one time or the other, you need information that cannot be found

in Books - You need a little bit of Knowledge that comes from God!

The Bible calls it: "THE WORD OF KNOWLEDGE".

1 Corinthians 12: 7-8 - "The Word of Knowledge" is a Fragment of the Knowledge available to God.

There are certain informations that is available only to God and to God alone. But He can make it available to you through the Holy Spirit. It is called "The Word of Knowledge".

For Example: In Daniel 2: 1-end; a King had a Dream, by the time he woke up he has forgotten the Dream. And he knew that this Dream was very, very important and said that I must know the meaning of this Dream.

So, he called together all the Wise Men - Tell me my Dream and tell me the Interpretation.

They all said to the Majesty: Sir, tell us the Dream and we will give you the Interpretation. He said that: I have forgotten the Dream.

And in those days, Kings are Kings - If you don't tell me my Dream, which I have forgotten and the Interpretation; you are dead.

You know the Story - That is when finally Daniel came forward, ask for Permission to go and seek the face of the One who knows all things.

I am Praying for Someone here today - Anytime that you get to that Stage where you need information that Only God can give; may the Almighty God grant you the Knowledge (Amen).

Let me give you some illustrations:

1. When I was doing my PhD Degree, I was trying to solve a Problem no one ever solved. And I have been on it for eighteen (18) Months and I ended up with one hundred and seventy six (176) Simultaneous Equations. It got to a Stage that I didn't know what to do - How to go forward and going backward means eighteen (18) Months of my Life gone to waste. Fortunately by then, I was already a Child of God.

And one Night, I racked my brain, didn't know what to do next and I decided to go and Sleep. And I decided that before I sleep, I will do a little Bible Study. So, I happened to Study the Crossing of the Red Sea in Exodus Chapter 14.

And just as I was about finishing reading; God spoke to me: Son, that is the Solution to your Problem.

How could that be? The Crossing of Red Sea thousand of years ago? How could that be the PhD Program of Hydrodynamics at the University of Lagos?

And suddenly, I began to realised that we are talking of water now!

And God says: Go and bring your Equation - Spread them out before Him and He began to say: Put this on the Left Side, put this on the Right Side.

By the time I separated them like He said, suddenly I saw that all those on the Left had something in common, all those on the Right had something in common. So, I handled them separately.

And God said that is what I did on the Red Sea - Red Sea Parted, the children of Israel went on Dry Ground and then the Sea came together again.

Five (5) hours later, my PhD Thesis was ready.

Information came from the One who knows all Mathematics - So Precisely that when my Professor (Professor Chike Obi) took my Thesis to the External Examiner, he read through and said: Go and give him his PhD.

My Professor said: No, when are you coming for "The Oral" and the Man said that I have no Question for the one who wrote this.

How can you have a Question for the Thesis God wrote?

I shared this one because there might be Somebody - Sooner or later, you might be doing a Research and you are stucked. There is Somebody who is never stucked - He is "The Way" where there is no Way!

2. I believed that God wants me to share this one Particularly because of one Fellow - And I Promised that Fellow that I won't embarass you.

We held a Program here in Ibadan in a Stadium and we have had a Wonderful Time - Holy Ghost Service, all kinds of Miracles, Signs and Wonders and we were about to finish. And suddenly, God spoke and said that there is a Woman here; under her armpit instead of hair, there are feathers. That every Night, the feather will grow. And so every Morning, she will wake up before the husband woke up and Pluck out the feathers.

And the Lord said: Ask her to come forward and I will set her Free.

I said: Daddy, you know that I always obeyed you but you have done very well today; let us just go home. If you say that there is Somebody like that here, I know that there must be Someone

but who will come out in Public like that?

God spoke to me and said: You want her to die with her Problem? I said No. I said that I want to set this Fellow Free!

So, I made the announcement, Nobody expected anybody to come. And the Lady came, well dressed. When she was sharing her Testimony - Very "Queen's English" but the Lord set her Free.

Now, I share that Testimony because the Lord said that today - You won't need to come forward, I just want to give you the Good News.

The Lord said that you lost a Child and you were so Upset that you beat the dead body and a bit of the blood entered into your System. And the Lord said that but if not for the fact that you came here today; you will be following that child very soon.

He asked me to give you the Good News - Because you came, He will write it off.

Fortunately, He didn't asked me to call you forward - So, just receive the Good News and Rejoice.

Now, when we talk of "The Word of Knowledge"; there is a Twin Sister of "The Word of Knowledge" and it comes as one of the Gifts of the Holy Ghost.

Now, this is a Fragment from the Wisdom that God made available to you when the enemies has got you cornered - When you find yourself in a situation where: Head you lose; Tail you lose!

At that kind of situation, you need "The Word of Wisdom".

I give you an illustration - John 8: 1-11; they brought a Woman to Jesus Christ, she was caught in the very act of Adultery and they brought her to Jesus Christ. Okay sir, Teachers of the Law of Moses says that if you found a Woman like this, she must be stoned to death. What do You say?

They wanted to hear Him say: You don't Stone her so that they can say You are a Law Breaker and be in trouble. Or Stone her, kill her and they will say we caught You - You came to save and not to destroy.

How do you get out of this?

The Bible says that Jesus Christ bend down and began to write in the dust and she said to them: Whichever of you that has never sinned be the first to throw the Stone. He bend down and kept on writing.

One by one, they judged themselves and one by one they dropped the Stones they were already holding and left.

Then you know the rest of the Story - Jesus Christ said: Okay, Nobody condemned you, I too I don't. Go and sin no more.

Occasionally, you may find yourself in a situation where "Yes" will be a wrong answer; "No" will be a wrong Answer. How do you get out of that kind of situation?

You need the "Superior Wisdom" of the Most High God!

Let me Conclude by saying: "True Wisdom"; "Perfect Wisdom"; the "Superior Wisdom" is a Spirit!

Isaiah 11: 1-2 - When it was talking about the Lord Jesus Christ as a Stem out of Jesse. It said: He will have certain Characteristics. And He said one of the Characteristics is that He will have "The Spirit of Wisdom".

And if you read Genesis 41: 1-44 - You remembered the Story of the "Sudden Promotion" of Joseph. When Pharaoh had two (2) Dreams - He remembered the Dreams only but Nobody could interpret them.

Hence they brought in Joseph and he interpreted the Dream and gave the Counsel how to deal with the Dream.

Pharaoh said: Can we find a "Better Man" than this Fellow in whom the Spirit of the Holy God is.

I cannot Pray for you and say: God, give all my Brothers and Sisters, "The Spirit of Wisdom" - That won't be the Right Prayer.

You know why not?

What you need actually is the Holy Spirit Himself and not just a Gift.

But if you are like me - Greedy Young Man when it comes to the Issue of the Holy Spirit. I mean the Day I read that I can covet earnestly the Best Gifts; after reading that, there are nine (9) Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

I told God that I wanted all the nine (9) Gifts and even more than the nine (9) listed.

The Almighty God told me: Son, what you are asking for is trouble. He said that if I give you all these things that you are asking for - Double the Anointing on Elijah, Elisha, Peter, Paul and the

Lord Jesus Christ when he was here on Earth; add everything together and then double again. He said that they won't let you rest. I said that I don't mind. Now, I know that I was stupid.

But He said to me: Son, all you need is to be "Full of the Holy Spirit". Whenever a Particular Gift is necessary, He will supply that.

If all the Gifts were to be operating in you at the same time, you will explode.

I said that is okay by me.

So, the Cross of the matter is that:

1. If you are here today and you are not yet Full of the Holy Spirit; you must Pray that you must be Full of the Holy Spirit.

2. If you think that you are Full of the Holy Spirit - I'm going to encourage you to ask God to refill you.

Because like one highly Respected Man of God said in interpreting Ephesians 5:18 - When it says: Be not drunk with Wine but be filled with the Holy Spirit.

He said that what God says is: "Being Filled". And that the reason He is comparing the Holy Spirit to the Wine is to let you know that you may be drunk tonight, by tomorrow morning, you will be sober. So, if you want to remain drunk, then you must drink again.

So, you are Full of the Holy Spirit tonight - And in "Being Filled "; you won't forget to Give your Offerings before you go!

Because the Wise Man is the one who knows the Word of God and does it. And the Word of God says clearly - You must not come before God Empty Handed.

No matter how Full of the Holy Spirit you are today; you must refill Constantly.

One of Advantage of being Full of the Holy Spirit is that: It enables you to win Souls.

And the moment that you become a Soul Winner, whether you like it or not; you will be called upon by your Converts at one Point or the other to come and Pray for them.

So, a True Soul Winner will end up being a Minister.

Everytime you Minister - Remember that after you have Thank God for the Move of God; ask Him to refill you. Very important!

Let's call that "The Word of Wisdom".

Now, to get down to being Baptized with the Holy Spirit- In Acts 2: 38-39; it says that you want to be Baptized in the Holy Spirit, then it says that:

- I. The first thing you must do is to Repent.
- II. The 2nd Thing you should do is to be Baptised.
- III. Then be free to ask for the Gift of the Holy Spirit.

So, we will start by giving room for those who want to Repent.

You know that Repent means: Change your ways.

- I. Those who want to say bye bye to a Life of sin.
- II. Those who want to stop Pretending that they are Children of God while flagrantly disobeying Him.
- III. Those who want to become Brand New Creatures and who want Old Things to Pass away and all Things become New.

We want to give you opportunity first. And then, we can go on to those People who wants the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Then I will do what next God wants me to do before I run away because I believed that many of you will be on Fire.

ALTAR CALL

So quickly, if you know that up till now you have been Pretending to be a Christian and you are not. You claimed that you are but your Life has not Changed radically; then Somebody has been deceiving Somebody.

So, if you really want your Life to Change - You want to become a Child of God and really be in Christ; wherever you are, can you Please Stand! The Choice is yours - You can keep on Pretending but you will remember this Night forever.

Now, those of you in front - Bow your Head and talk to the Almighty God. Ask Him to Please give you Genuine Salvation today; that you want to become True Child of God today. So that from now on, everything will Change and you will hate sin just the way God hates sin.

And the rest of us, let us intercede for our Brothers and Sisters Standing now - That the Almighty God will have Mercy on them and will save their Souls just as He has saved our Souls. That the Power Mighty in the Blood of Jesus Christ will wash them Clean and wash away their sins and given them Brand New Beginning.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You for Your Words and I want to say Thank You on behalf of everyone Standing now. Accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Please, remember Your Promise that whosoever will come unto You, You will no wise cast out. They have come to You now, Father, Please receive them, save their Souls, write their names in the Book of Life and I Pray Lord God Almighty that for the rest of their lives, they will serve You.

And from this moment onwards, anytime they cry to You, Please answer them by Fire.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Now, the next Set of People that I want to Pray for are those that are not yet Baptized in the Holy Spirit and they will want it.

I will ask that you should Please Stand wherever you are or reading now on the Label of DMC - You are not Baptized with Evidence of Speaking in Tongue. You will Stand, I will Pray with you and then you will feel an urge to begin to speak. And as you begin to speak, you will be amazed that the Holy Spirit will take over and you will begin to speak in Tongue.

And those of us who has been Baptized before; you will join them and we begin to Pray in Tongue along with them.

Those Standing - Lift Up your hands!

SPECIAL PRAYER FOR HOLY SPIRIT IMPARTATION

My Father and my God, I want to bless Your Holy Name. I Thank You for the Grace that You have given to me; I Thank You for the numerous People that You have Baptised in the Holy Spirit because You Pray for them through me.

I'm Thanking You because You are going to do what You have done before again this Evening. Father, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Father, You can see these Your Children who are Standing - They are Children of Yours, they want that Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

You Promise Lord God that the Gift is for all of us who will believe in You - They believed in You, they are already, Standing; Father in the next few Seconds, fill them with the Holy Spirit.

Even now as I am Praying, let the Fire fall, let the Power of the Most High God come upon them.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Just go ahead and keep Praying. And Others, let us join them - That the Almighty God will fill them to Overflowing!

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

The Bible says that when the Lord comes, He will Baptise us with Holy Ghost and Fire - Your Baptism is not Complete until Fire comes!

I will ask the Almighty God to send down Fire now!

CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You - Thank You once again for this Fellowship that has been going on now for more than forty (40) years.

I Thank You for Your Faithfulness, I Thank You that what started "Small" has become "Big" and I Thank You for it will get "Bigger Still". Father, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Now my Lord and my Saviour, I have a Request tonight - Everyone of us here tonight, upon each and everyone of us, send down Your Fire. The Fire of the Holy Spirit that will destroy every Yokes, that will empower us to live Holy, that will empower us to be Witnesses, that will empower us to be Mighty Vessels unto Honour in Your Hands; Father send down the Fire.

Please my Father and my God, the same Fire that You sent on me, sene it down on these Your Children.

As they will call on You now, my Father and my God; as many of them that will sincerely Call on You, send down Your Fire.

And Lord, let the Fire remain Forever Burning so that in Your Kingdom, none of us will be missing.

Do it Oh Lord. For we Pray in Jesus Mighty Name - Amen!

SPECIAL PRAYER POINT

So, you lift your Voice to Him (God) loud and clear and say: Father, send down Your Fire on me tonight!

Go ahead and cry to the Almighty God!!!



THE OBAFEMI AWOLowo UNIVERSITY (OAU) CAMPUS CHRISTIAN
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THEME: THE LORD MY STRENGTH AND SONG

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Well, let's lift our hands to the Most High God and bless His Holy Name. Let's give Him Glory, let's give Him Honour, let's give Him Adoration. Praise the King of Kings, Praise the Lord of Lords, bless the Ancient of Days. He is Worthy to be Praised, Worthy to be Adored and Worthy to be Lifted High.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Worshipped - Amen.

SONG

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob
Jehovah, the Man of War
His Mercy endureth Forever and Ever
Oh Praise His Holy Name

OPENING PRAYER

God of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob; the Mighty Man in Battle, the Man who has not lost a War.

We Worship You Lord, we bless Your Holy Name for All You have done in our lives since the last time that we met here. Thank You for bringing us back here again. Father, accept our Worship in Jesus Name.

This Evening Almighty God, Please do something You have never done before, give us Miracles You have never given us before, fight our Battles for us and give everyone of us Complete Victory.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Well, let Someone shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

The last time that we were here some years ago, we didn't know that it will be this long before we returned but God knew.

Today, we are here again, and only God knows when next we will meet - It might be next year (2024), it might be years again. But tomorrow belongs to God.

One thing however is certain - We are here today! And I'm trusting God that before we leave here today, you will be singing a New Song.

Psalms 118:14 - The LORD is my Strength and Song, and is become my Salvation.

We will just look at this Bible Passage and do a little Bible Study.

And I'm believing God that as we Study His Words, the Bible says that He sent His Words and His Words healed them and delivered them from all their Destructions.

I'm Praying that by the time the Sicks are leaving this Ground today, they will be healed; by the

time the Captives are leaving here, they will be Free.

The Sick will be going away singing: I am healed; the Blind will be singing: Now, I can see; the Captive will be singing: I am Free and the one who has been failing all these years will say: Praise God, I will fail no more.

We want to just define our Theme - The Lord is my Strength and Song.

I. Who is the Lord? - We will discuss this briefly.

II. "Is" not "Was" - That is now.

III. "My" - He didn't say "Our".

IV. What is Strength?

V. What is a Song?

We will look at each of them quickly and at the end of it, by the Grace of God we will be Singing!

1. Now, who is the Lord?

The Lord who we are talking of here is Someone who is Noted for Fighting and Winning.

Psalms 24: 7-10 says: Lift Up your Head O ye Gates, be lifted up ye Everlasting Door and the King of Glory might come in.

Who is this King of Glory?

The Lord Strong and Mighty, the Lord Mighty in Battle.

So, you can see straightaway - The Lord we are talking about is the One who is Noted for Strength and Might!

And at the end, He is called: "The Lord of Host".

So, when I was told that this is our Theme for this Year (2023); I said that it means that Somebody is heading for Victory - Amen!

So, if you are the one, who will never be defeated again, let me hear you shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

2. "He Is" means - The One who is called the "Ever Present Help" in Trouble - Psalms 46:1.

We are here today, therefore because there is Someone who is in "Urgent Need" of Victory.

I don't know who the Fellow is but whoever that Fellow is - Ha, for you that this Meeting has been organised; your Victory is not going to wait till tomorrow - Amen!

It didn't say that the Lord "Will Be"; it says the Lord "Is" - Right now here at this very moment.

3. "My" not "Our" - In other words, it is telling us that today we want to look at the fact that the Lord can be "Very Individual" in His Approach.

When He is talking to a Congregation, no matter how large; He will still address Himself to an Individual.

I. For God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son; that whosoever (In other words, the Love is for everyone). But the Love will manifest through an Individual.

II. Behold I Stand by the Door and I knock. If any Man will hear my Voice - He didn't say: If Men will hear; if Women will hear.

And even right now, I am sure that Somebody is beginning to feel - I believe that tonight is for me. And I can assure you that you will not be disappointed (Amen).

We will spend Quality Time on "My Strength" and "My Song".

4. "My Strength" - What is Strength?

In a very Simple Language - Not in the Language that only Academician understands but in the Language that even the Market Women can understand.

Strength is the ability to get things done - Including: Winning in Competition, Winning in Battle, and believe it or not, Winning in Examinations.

Because if there is a Student who is constantly losing, constantly failing; we will say that he is "Weak Mentally". If there is Someone who is always scoring High Marks; we will say that he is "Strong Mentally".

The Lord is "My Strength" - The One who gives me ability to get things done.

Philippians 4:13 says: I can do All Things through Christ who Strengthens me. I can achieve anything, I can reach all Goals because there is Somebody who is Supplying Strength.

In Judges 16: 4-5 - When the Philistines saw a Single Man killing a thousand Soldiers with a Jawbone of an Ass; they say that this is not "Ordinary Strength"; we must find out the Secret of his Strength if we are ever going to defeat him.

I decree in the Name that is above every other name; the Enemies will never find out the Secret of your Strength - Amen!

Now, He is my Strength - How do I get this Strength from the One who Himself is the Lord Strong and Mighty?

I. I can get Strength from His Joy.

Nehemiah 8:10 says: The Joy of the Lord is your Strength.

Oh, how then do I get the Joy of the Lord?

Fortunately, according to John 16:24 - You can get the Joy by asking.

He said that up till now, you haven't asked me for anything, ask till your Joy be Full.

You know, there is one word that expresses that you have the Joy of the Lord - That word is called: Hallelujah!

You have never seen a Student, no matter how Religious he may be; who will go to the Board where they pasted the Provincial Results and can't see his/her name among the Successful People, who will turn round and shout Hallelujah. You will never found one.

But if you go to check the Results and among the First Class, the first name is your name, you won't shout quietly but loudly Hallelujah!

I remembered very clearly the day I had my first Grandson. It was in London, my Daughter-in-law had been taken to the Hospital around 2am because she was in Labour. And then around 7am, I got a Phone Call that she has delivered and it is a baby boy.

From my house to the Hospital; every Whiteman that I met, I smiled at them and say: Hallelujah, I have gotten a Grandson. Even they were compelled to smile with me.

Is there anybody here or reading now on the Label of DMC; who is going to demomstrate to the devil: I have Joy - Hallelujah!

You know, People have asked the Question: How could a shout bring down the Wall of Jericho? It is because there is Strength in Joy. And you can't be Joyful and keep quiet (Not Possible).

So, I'm decreeing to Someone here today or as you read on the Label of DMC - Every Walls that the Enemies has built round you is going to fall and all you have to do is to let the Enemies know that: I have the Joy of the Lord!

II. I can get Strength from His Name.

In 1 Samuel 17: 42-51 - When Goliath was boasting about His Strength and so he saw "Little David" coming with a sling in his hand.

He said: What is going on here? Am I a dog? Am I Dreaming? Look at this "Tiny Thing" coming to fight me. Can't he see my size, sword, shield? My shield is so big that I needed somebody to carry it. He said that you are finished - I'm going to sacrifice you to the birds of the Air et cetera et cetera.

David allowed him to finished boasting - He said that I know that you have come against me with all manners of weapons but I am coming against you in the Name of Jesus.

Students, Lecturers, Professors; may not know it but there might be Enemies from the fathers side; Enemies from the mother's side; Enemies from the In-Law's side saying that you are going to the University? We will see what you will bring back!

But there is a Name that is above every other name - The Name of Jesus!

A Name according to Philippians 2: 9-11 - A Name that is above every other name; a Name at the mention of which all knees must bow.

In 1979, at Abusi Odumare Grammar School in Ijebu Igbo (A Town in Ogun State); we had a Program and somebody came to the Program.

When he was going Abroad, gained Admission to go and study; the father threw a Party and invited Relatives. And someone (A Relative) among those invited said: Hey, the son of so and so is going Abroad to study. By the time he returns, he will buy a car and this fellow that we used to drink Palm Wine together will now be riding and throwing dust at our faces. He said alright, I will give him something to carry along.

This fellow went Abroad, spent six (6) years there, he was doing fine and he ended up with a PhD. But from the day he arrived, he was having pain in his stomach.

Because you know over there, there is a lot of good Doctors - They conducted every Tests and they couldn't find anything. So, they told him - We think that you are Psychogenic (Imagining the pain).

DMC NOTES: Psychogenic pain occurs when your pain is related to underlying psychological,

emotional, or behavioral factors.

The fellow said: Imagining the pain? I can show you where the pain is if I have the ability to remove it.

They said that we have done Xray, we have done whatever MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) and there is nothing wrong with you sir. But they kept on giving him pain killers.

And then he came back, he was a Lecturer at Ahmadu Bello University Zaria and then he heard that we were holding this Program and he decided to come.

And the devil knew that the Program was meant for him, it took him three (3) days to arrive with all manners of obstacles on his way.

He arrived just when we were about to round up. And the Word of God was going forth as it is going forth this Evening. And suddenly we heard somebody shouted - It is gone! Because the pain disappeared.

Whatever the Enemies has Planted into your body; every Plants that God has not planted in you; shall be uprooted today - Amen.

You know in Acts 3: 1-8 - In the Story of that man who was born Lame, who has been stagnant from the very first day he was born; Peter used one Name when the man looked up to Peter and John asking for alms. He said that Silver and Gold I have none but what I have I give you - In the Name of Jesus!

I have Good News for those of you who has been stagnant all these years, I have been there even as an Academician before.

I had seen People who lectured me when I was Preparing for my MSc and they left for futher studies abroad, spent "Donkey Years" there, came back to meet me in the same University to find out that now, I have finished my MSc, I have gone to teach for years, came back to the University, finished my PhD and now I have been Promoted steadily and have become a Senior Lecturer. They came back and they were still not Senior Lecturer.

Whatever may have been causing stagnation in your Life, as you shout the Name of Jesus Christ today, I hereby decree that your stagnation is over - Amen!

III. Consider my Strength from His Blood.

Because there is enough Strength in His Blood to conquer even satan himself. According to Revelation 12: 10-11; when you are talking of Enemies (Witches and Wizards) but they are all under their "Big Master" satan himself.

And the Bible says that they overcame the devil by the Blood of the Lamb.

Now, why is there so much Power, so much Strength in His Blood?

It is because according to Numbers 17:14; the very Life of an individual is in the Blood. The very Life of the Lord is in His Blood.

And for you as a Child of God, you gain Strength from that Blood because Isaiah 59: 1-2 tells us that the Hand of the Lord is not shortened that it cannot save; neither is His Ear deaf that He can't hear; but sin can stand between you and the tremendous Power or Strength that is in God Himself.

How in 1 John 1:7; the Bible tells us that the Blood of Jesus cleanses from all sins.

The Blood removes the barrier between you and the Mighty Power and Strength that is in the Life of God Himself.

If you see a Piece of wire carrying Electricity - They call it "Live Wire"; don't dare touch it with ordinary hand because if you do, you won't be around to tell the Story.

But if you wrap a piece of rubber round it - They call it Insulator. It doesn't matter how much Strength is in that wire, a little child can play with it because an Insulator will not allow contact with the Power that is there.

I'm Praying for those of you who are not yet Born Again that you will be Born Again today because until your sins are washed away, you are Insulated from the Power that is in the Almighty God Himself.

And for those of you who are already "True Children" of the Almighty God, today, the Blood is going to give you Victory - Amen!

There is a funny Story that happened some years ago - A husband will put his money somewhere in the house, when he goes to check the money, the money will be gone. The wife will put her money somewhere, when she goes to check the money, the money will be gone.

The husband was hesitant to call the wife a thief but the wife says: What is going on here? One day, she confronted the husband - You are the one who gave me the money for housekeeping and then behind me, you go and steal it.

And the husband said: Àtètè mólè, olè ñ mú olóko (DMC NOTES: The untimely arrest of the thief, makes the thief to arrest the owner/farmer)

Because I was slow in accusing you of stealing, you are now accusing me.

The Point was that the husband used to be a Member of a Secret Society before he gave his Life to Jesus Christ and then one demon or the other was assigned to take care of his Finances.

When they told me the Story, I said that the matter is simple - Next time you are going to keep your money somewhere, just say: Money, I cover you in the Blood of the Lamb. And they discovered that Nobody was stealing their money anymore.

Any evil force that is secretly stealing anything at all from you, from today onwards by the Blood of the Lamb, they will be rendered completely Powerless - Amen!

IV. I can derive Strength from His Word.

Why? Psalms 119:89 says: Forever Oh Lord, thy Word is Settled.

And when God says something is settled, then it means that it is settled - Even satan can't argue with the Word of God

That is why you find in Matthew 4: 1-11 - When Jesus Christ had to fight satan after Fasting for forty (40) days and forty (40) nights; the only weapon He could use was the Word of God. He couldn't use His Blood because it was not shed yet; He couldn't use His Name because He was yet to get the Name above every other name but He used the Word.

Each time that satan said do this; He will say it is written; do that, it is written.

In Psalms 118:17; it is written I shall not die but live.

That Passage that I quoted was what saved me right back in 1981 - I had just become General Overseer. We had the Headquarters Parish and thirty nine (39) other Parishes and so I decided to do a familiarisation Call as the New General Overseer.

And so, I was visiting the Churches one by one and of course; everybody wanted to show Love for the New General Overseer - Oh the Churches were small but they can shout and they can be Hospitable.

Finally, it was my turn to visit Ifewara (My Hometown) and I was coming from Lagos. And all of a sudden, I heard the devil speaking using an African Proverbs: *Ká kú lómòdé, ká fẹ̀şin ẹ̀ irẹ̀lẹ̀ ẹ̀ni, o sà̀n ju ká dàgbà ká má ládiyẹ̀ irà̀nà. Ikú tó bá ni lẹ̀mòşó, ẹ̀yẹ̀ ni* (DMC NOTES: To die as a youthful hero, with a horse as sacrifice, is better than dying old without a hen as sacrifice. A dignifying youthful death is honourable)

So, he said to me: You are very Popular now, if you die oh you will be highly Celebrated.

And this Passage came out of me and I said: No, I shall not die but live and declare the works of God.

Do you know that less than 5 mins later, my driver fell asleep and I mean completely asleep at a very dangerous section of the road.

Thank God that I have learnt somehow from the Past that if a driver is sleeping, don't wake him by force - Just do it very gently.

So, I just said to my driver: Pele o, e ku ise o (DMC NOTES: Well done and thank you for a job well done).

Even when he came out of sleep gently, he still swerved and we were heading straight into a big ditch. If we had fallen into that ditch, they won't even have found us for days (DMC NOTES: Swerve means to turn aside abruptly from a straight line or course).

He said that I was Popular in 1981 - General Overseer of forty (40) Churches, compared with what God had done now.

I decree in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ that it is written: You will not die, you will live - Amen!

Allow me to Decree that: You will be far, far greater than you are now - Amen!

V. I can derive my Strength from His Love.

I will talk briefly on this because if the Lord tarries, the Holy Ghost Service of February 2023 is going to be focusing on His Love.

Romans 8:37 tells us one thing - We are More Than Conqueror through Him that loves us.

Just the fact that He loves you, makes you More Than a Conqueror.

He said in Isaiah 54:15 - He said that they may surely gather - Surely, you will have Enemies.

I mean you know the Story of Bartimaeus - He was a beggar, he was blind but he still had Enemies. Because the day he was crying to Jesus Christ for Mercy, that was the day he discovered that: Is that so? You mean I have so many Enemies? They told him to shut up his mouth.

Help was Passing by, he wasn't begging them for money; he was begging the One who can solve his Problem for Mercy but they told him to shut up his mouth.

Thank God that God heard him before they could keep him quiet - And God will hear you today (Amen).

It says that they may gather together against you but for your sake, those who gather together against you shall be scattered.

There was this Man - Because he was a Christian, he was doing very well, the Enemies ganged up against him and decided to sack him. So they Plotted against him.

They went to the Chairman of the Company - Because the Country is hard, Financially things are not as good as they should be; we have decided to Downsize. So, the following People will be asked to go. And they put the name of this my son somewhere at the bottom.

And the Chairman looked through the List - Okay, this fellow is going, alright; that one and he kept looking till he got to this Child of God and said: Why this fellow?

They said that we feel that in his Category, we had enough People and so let us allow him to go.

And the Chairman said: If you have enough People in his Category, what about the Category that is higher Up? He said: Put him up here.

They had already given him a Letter of Dismissal at the weekend. He came to the Holy Ghost Service with the Letter in his hand and the Lord spoke that there is someone here, you have just been sacked. Don't worry, you are going to be Promoted.

He got to the Office on Monday and instead of having to pack out, they gave him a New Letter of Promotion.

Why? Because God loves him!

That same God is here today and I know that he loves somebody. If you are the one, get ready for Promotion - Amen.

Now, the Bible tells us that Strength can be renewed by Prayer.

Isaiah 40: 28-31 - It tells us that this Lord that we are talking about is never tired, He doesn't get weary, He doesn't need to sleep and when He sees somebody whose Strength is failing, He is the One who will supply Strength.

Then He went on to say that they that wait upon this Lord shall renew their Strength. And they will just discovered that they moved from Walking to Running and then to Flying.

I have Good News for you - I don't know the next time we are going to meet but by the next time we meet, your Testimony will be: God has been moving me from Glory to Glory - Amen!

5. Let us move on to "My Song".

Man is a Singer - God created man to sing. At least Particularly in this Part of the world, we loved singing and we have a Song for every situation.

I. You are dedicating a House, we have a Song for that.

II. You just got a baby, we have a Song for that.

III. Somebody just died, you have a Song. Before the burial, after the burial, when the Party begins; the Song changes to another type of Song.

IV. We have Songs for Joy, Songs for Sorrow, Songs for getting married.

And the same is also true for Christians - If you listen to the Song of a Christian, you can tell what situation he/she is passing through.

I. If a Christian has just lost a battle, he will sing:

We will Overcome
We will Overcome
We will Overcome some day
Deep in my Heart, I do believe
We will Overcome some day

Proverbs 24:16; the Bible says that a "Just Man" may fall seven (7) times, he will rise again.

Those of you who have just been failing; you will be able to sing a New Song today - Amen!

II. If a Christian has just won a battle, the Song will change:

Now that the battle is over
Now that the battle is over
Now that the battle is over
I am More Than a Conqueror

... That will be your Song!

Because in Exodus 15: 1-11; when the children of Israel had crossed the Red Sea; the Bible said that they sang a Song of Moses.

If you look at that Passage, you will see so many Songs that we sing nowadays there.

III. Now, when the battle is raging - If a Christian is in the midst of a "Terrible Battle"; we also sing a Kind of Song.

And you begin to hear a Christian sing:

In Jesus Name, every knees shall bow
In Jesus Name, every knees shall bow

When you hear them sing:

He is a Mighty God
He is a Mighty God
Jesus is a Mighty God
All Power belong to Him
He is a Mighty God
Goliath bow before Him
He is a Mighty God

If you are a boss and one of your worker is singing that same Song above, you better found out who is the Goliath he is talking about.

We had a Househelp years ago and during our morning Devotion in my family, we asked everybody to make Chorus suggestion. And this girl is always singing the same Song:

Alagbara ni Olorun wa (Our God is a Mighty God)
Alagbara ni Olorun wa (Our God is a Mighty God)
Ina jo, Igbe orun (The bush is burning, the bush is not consumed)
Alagbara ni Olorun wa (Our God is a Mighty God)

One day, it just occurred to me - Which bush is burning? And so I called her aside: Tell me your Story? What is the Problem?

And she said that she was a very "Brilliant Girl" but Problem came, the family lost everything and so she couldn't go to School again. So, she is doing Househelp so as to make some money and even feeding the family. And the Parents are owing heavily.

Okay, how much are they owing? She told me and we gave her the money for her to Pay. And told her that if you still want to come back, you can come so that we can arrange for you to go to School here.

Suddenly, her Song changed - Next time that we asked her to give a Chorus, she sang:

He has done it for me
He has done it for me
What my father cannot do
He has done it for me

Let me Close with this - Psalms 40: 1-4; it tells us the Story of a Man who was in deep trouble. He was in a Pit and the Pit was made up of Miry Clay - The more he struggles to get out, the more entangled he became in Problem.

Then he said that I cried to God and He heard me and He brought me out of the Miry Clay, He sets my feet on the Rock to stay and He put a New Song in my mouth.

You know one of the things that happened to you when you surrendered your Life to Jesus Christ; when according to 2 Corinthians 5:17; it says: Therefore, if any Man be in Christ, he is a New Creature; Old things are passed away, behold all things are become New!

One of the things that could become New is your Song - You sing differently no doubt about that.

There is Nobody who can be Genuinely Born Again, who will not testify to the fact that you will just wake up in the night, that for no reason at all; you just feel like singing a New Song of Victory:

I. I was sick, now I'm healed.

II. I was blind, now I see.

III. I was bound, now I'm Free.

We all know that I am a Native of Ifewara (Osun State Nigeria) and it is not too far from here (Ile Ife, Osun State Nigeria).

In 1960, I was in my Final Year at Ilesha Grammar School, Ilesha Osun State Nigeria, and there was Politics going on - The Politics that was to lead to Independence (New Nigerian Rulers, taking over from the Britons).

And there was two (2) Political Parties - Action Group (AG) and National Council of Nigeria and the Cameroons (NCNC). And the Principal of Ilesha Grammar School then belongs to Action Group (AG) and majority of the People in my Village belongs to National Council of Nigeria and the Cameroons (NCNC).

So they called for a Meeting in my Compound one day to be sure that everybody will vote for National Council of Nigeria and the Cameroons (NCNC) and my father said: Please, allow me to vote for Action Group (AG) and they said why? The Principal is a Member of Action Group (AG); if he hears that I belong to National Council of Nigeria and the Cameroons (NCNC), the trouble will be on my son.

And in those days, the Principal was almost like a god - If you are rusticated from a Secondary School, the only way you can ever get into another one is to go and take another Entrance Examination.

So, my father said: Just one year, after my son has finished then anything that you want me to be, I will be.

And they said to him: So, it is because of your son that you will not join our Party? They said to him: We will see how Old the boy will be before he dies!

My father came back home, told my mother what they said at the Meeting. That very night, I became an IDP (DMC NOTES: "IDP" means Internally Displaced Persons).

I ran because in those days, if they say that they want to use you for Breakfast, then they will use you for Breakfast.

Thank God for Jesus - We were small but we were tough.

For thirteen (13) years, I couldn't come back home; but then I met Jesus Christ and then:

I. I knew that Greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world.

II. And I knew that I am More Than a Conqueror through Him that loves me

III. I knew that no weapon fashioned against me shall Prosper.

... I discovered so many things!

In those days, if you want to sneak into Town, if they see you coming - Ha, you are Welcome. When are you going? You will say I just came in and will stay for one week. And within an hour, you are out.

Now, when I want to go to Ifewara, an Helicopter will announce my arrival and Witches and Wizards when they heard that he is coming, they go to the farm.

I used to run from the devil before but now by the Special Grace of God, the devil runs from me.

I'm sharing this with you to let you know that if you don't have Jesus Christ dwelling in you; you are in danger.

But the moment that He is in you, you can sing a New Song!

He says: The Lord is my Strength and Song and He has become my Salvation!

... Everything is hooked round Salvation!

ALTAR CALL

So, I'm appealing to those of you who has not given your Life to Jesus Christ or you have been Pretending that you know Him but you know that He is not dwelling in you.

Because if He is dwelling in you, you will hate sin, your Song will change, Holiness will become one of your Theme Songs.

Those of you who want to sincerely surrender your Life to Jesus Christ, Please come. Let us Pray for your Salvation and then we will Pray some very "Serious Prayers".

Now, those of us already in front and those of us on the way, cry unto Jesus - Tell Him: Please save my Soul, make me a Brand New Creature in You, I want You to come and dwell in me and I will serve You for the rest of my Life. I want to leave this Place today singing a New Song that I have been Born Again and a True Child of the Living God.

The rest of us, Please Stretch your hands towards these People and Pray for them and intercede for them - Pray that the One who saved the Soul of Pastor E.A Adeboye will come and save their own Souls also and give them the kind of Salvation that He gave him; that His Blood will wash away their sins and give them a Brand New Beginning.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION

My Father and my God, I want to bless Your Holy Name.

I want to Thank You very, very much for Your Words today and I want to Thank You for these Your Children who has come forward to surrender their lives to You.

Father, receive them in Jesus Name, have Mercy on them in Jesus Name, let Your Blood wash away their sins, save their Souls Lord and receive them into the Family of God. From now on, anytime they cry to You, answer them by Fire; become their Strength, become their Song, become their Salvation.

And I Pray Lord God Almighty that they will serve you forever.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

SPECIAL PRAYER POINTS

Brethren, we want to Pray some very "Serious Prayers".

1. There are Enemies Known and Unknown. And you are going to call on the Lord - The One who is your Strength to fight your battle for you today!

So, you lift your Voice to Him and say: Father, in the Mighty Name of Jesus, fight all my battles for me - Physical, Mental, Spiritual, Emotional. Don't let me know any defeat again and make me More Than a Conqueror.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

2. You are going to cry to Him loud and clear and say: Father right now, put a New Song in my mouth - Songs of Joy, Success, Victory, Triumph.

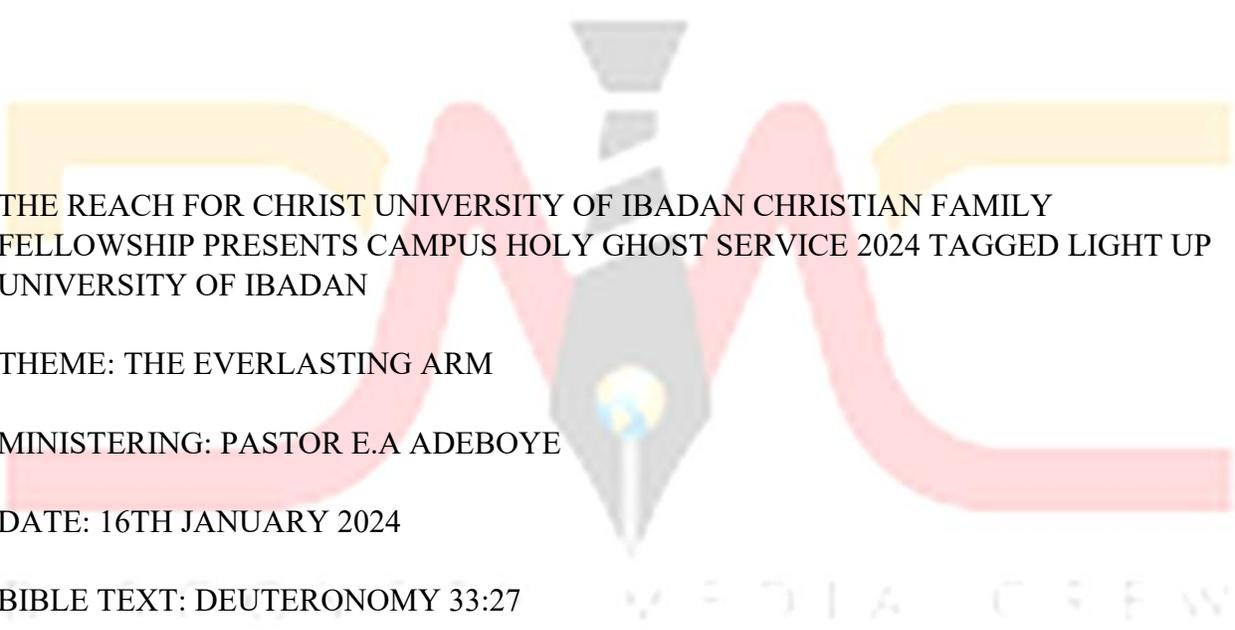
Go ahead and cry to the Lord!

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

3. The worst thing that can ever happened to a Man is to be an Ex-Champion. I had been a Boxer before and I knew that when a Champion is defeated, for days he doesn't want to be seen in Public because of the shame.

You are going to cry to God and say: Father, let my Victory be Permanent - Don't let me be an Ex-Champion. Go ahead and cry to the Almighty God.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!



THE REACH FOR CHRIST UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN CHRISTIAN FAMILY
FELLOWSHIP PRESENTS CAMPUS HOLY GHOST SERVICE 2024 TAGGED LIGHT UP
UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN

THEME: THE EVERLASTING ARM

MINISTERING: PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE

DATE: 16TH JANUARY 2024

BIBLE TEXT: DEUTERONOMY 33:27

Glory be to God!

SONG

I have a Father
Almighty Father
He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords
I have a Father

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty Father, King of Kings and Lord of Lords; the Unchangeable Changer - We Worship
You.

Thank You for all the years that we have been coming together at the University of Ibadan; Thank You for all the Prayers that You have answered; Thank You for the Souls You have saved, Thank You for the Miracles that You have Performed and Thank You that we are here again today - Father, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

Today, in a Very Special way in the lives of all Your Children here and all those who might be listening to us or reading now on the Label of DMC all over the world; Father do something New, something Powerful and do something Miraculous

By the Strength of Your Everlasting Arms, my Father and my God, reverse the Irreversible.

Bless University of Ibadan, bless the Staffs and bless the Students.

All those who wish this University well, let it be well with them.

Any Obstruction(s) in the way of this University, Father turn them to Stepping Stones to Glory.

And Father, in a very, very Special way, bless our Vice Chancellor (VC) - DMC NOTES: The current Vice Chancellor of the University of Ibadan is Professor Kayode Oyeboade Adebawale from the Department of Industrial Chemist (The 13th VC of UI).

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

Save Souls, heal the Sick, set Captives Free and let just all be well.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Well, let Someone shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah

Why don't you go ahead and shake hands with one (1) or two (2) People that you haven't seen yet and say: Happy New Year to you.

And then, you may Please be seated.

So, University of Ibadan is already 75 (University of Ibadan Started in 1948) and I have been coming here since 1982 - That means that we have been coming here longer than half of the Lifespan of University of Ibadan.

And if the Lord tarries, we will still keep coming for more and more years!

But the Lord will do Marvelous Things today - He will meet all your Needs, your Joy will Overflow and as one of my sons will say: If your Amen is the loudest, your Miracle will be the Biggest (Amen).

Deuteronomy 33:27:

The Eternal God is thy Refuge, and Underneath are the Everlasting Arms: and He shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.

Everything about God is Everlasting:

1. Himself He is Everlasting.

Genesis 21:33; the Bible tells us that Abraham called on God in Beersheba - He called on the Name of the Lord, The Everlasting God.

2. The Existence of our God is Everlasting.

Psalms 90:2 says: Before the Mountains were brought forth, even from Everlasting to Everlasting thou Art God.

3. His Mercy is Everlasting.

1 Chronicles 16:34; tells us that His Mercy endureth forever.

4. His Truth is Everlasting.

In Psalms 100:5; the Bible tells us both His Mercy and Truth endures forever.

5. His Name is Everlasting.

Psalms 135:13; tells us that His Name is Everlasting.

6. His Kingdom/Domain is Everlasting.

Psalms 145:13 as well as Daniel 7:14.

7. His Fatherhood is Everlasting.

Isaiah 9:6 tells us that one of the names of the Lord Jesus Christ is "The Everlasting Father".

Just Last Month, we spent quite some times going round the Country discussing about "The Everlasting Father" - DMC NOTES: During the RCCG December 2023 Lets-Go-A-Fishing Program.

And we Pointed out one Big Point that if your father is the President; then you will enjoy

the Power of the Presidency for at most 8 years. After the 8 years, your father will become Ex-President.

But the God that we served is an Everlasting Father He wasn't voted into Power and so He cannot be voted out of Power. No Coup can topple His Government.

And so He is your Father and He is our Father forever.

8. His Strength is Everlasting.

Isaiah 26:4 encourages us to Trust in the Lord forever. He said because in the Lord God is Everlasting Strength - He never gets weak, He never gets tired.

There are many of us who started this Fellowship (DMC NOTES: Referring to the Bible Study Session in UI) 42 years ago - When we look back now, we know that we are not quite as Strong as we used to be. But our God remains forever Strong!

9. His Joy is Everlasting.

Isaiah 51:11 says: The Redeemed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion Singing.

He said that Everlasting Joy shall be upon their heads.

On the basis of that alone, I can Prophecy to Someone that for the rest of your Life, you will not know Sorrow - Amen!

10. His Love is Everlasting.

Jeremiah 31:3 says that I have loved you with an Everlasting Love.

11. His Light is Everlasting.

Isaiah 60:19 tells us of a time when we will no longer need the Sun or the Moon for Light. But He said that the Lord will be to us an Everlasting Light.

Now, I have shared that before we now come to the Arms - Where it is what they want us to Zero in today.

Incidentally, whenever we come like this - The Tuesday Evening is an Outreach; where we talk about all the Goodies that we can have in God.

But early in the Morning the next Day (Wednesday); we will do a little bit of Digging Deep.

In the Outreach, there is a lot of shouting and rejoicing but in the Digging Deep, we will be a little bit more quiet because we will be talking about the other Side of the Everlasting Arm.

So tomorrow (Wednesday, 17th January 2024); we will here again by 6am in Jesus Name - Amen!

THE EVERLASTING ARMS

When you say that the Arms of the Lord is Everlasting, you mean that the Arm is "Seriously Long".

And the Arms of God can do quite a lot of Mighty Things:

1. It can reach into the Lowest Depth.

No matter how deep you are, He can reach you there.

As a matter of fact, the Passage that we used as our Bible Text says (Deuteronomy 33:27) says: Underneath are "The Everlasting Arms".

In other words, you can never go so Low as to go beyond His reach - He is always Underneath.

So, He can go down and Pick you from the Miry Clay and bring you on the Rocks to Stay - Psalms 40: 1-3.

Because He can go that Low, that is why He can Promote you from the Lowest Level to the Highest Level.

1 Samuel 2:8 says that He can Pick up a Beggar from the dunghill and continue to lift him until he begins to sit with Kings.

When you consider the fact that in 1 Samuel 16: 1-13 that when God wanted to appoint a King in the house of Jesse; Jesse Presented those People that he considered Worthy of Kingship.

When the Man of God said that God has rejected all these, don't you have any other son; the way Jesse answered showed that yes there is another one but he is not fit for Promotion. The father was reluctant to Present David.

Bible Scholars have their own Interpretation on reasons why they felt David was even left alone in the bush when the Prophet said bring all your sons.

But God Stretch forth His Everlasting Arms and Pick Somebody that even his father will not recommend and made him King.

Not only did He made him King, by the time you get to Mark 10: 46-52; you will hear that Blind Man crying and saying: Thou son of David, have Mercy on me.

The King of Kings is called "The Son of David".

I have Good News for Somebody here today or reading now on the Label of DMC - No matter how Low your family may be, you will not die Unknown (Amen).

I can bear Witness to that because you have heard me say that my father was so Poor that Poor People call him Poor - That is Poverty Squared.

You Probably have heard my Story that up till the age of 18 years Old, I had no Pair of Shoes.

But today by the Grace of God, quite a few Head of States call me Daddy.

The God who had done that for me, will do your own - Amen!

2. Everlasting Arms can reach into your Past and rearrange things there.

Because whatever is happening to you today, is as a result of what happened in the Past.

I think we have learnt that one in the Past - That Past is the mother of the Present.

So, when People says: Forget the Past; they Probably don't know what they are saying - It is the Past that gives birth to the Present.

If you are a Medical Doctor today, it is because at a time you had made a Choice,

Thank God for the Testimony of that girl that we heard - Who says that I want to do Medicine and People were trying to maneuver.

That Fellow is taking a very Important decision.

Whatever Choice you took in the Past, is responsible for who you are today.

And whether you like it or not, you are not here by Accident - Something is going to happen in your Life today that you will never forget (Amen).

Occasionally, in the Past we mess up big time and according to the Law of Harvest, whatever you sow you have to reap it.

So, the Messing Up could be waiting to Produce Fruits. But God can go to your Past and clear up

the Mess because His Arms are Everlasting!

A Good Example will be a Young Man called Levi - You Probably have heard me talk about him before.

In Genesis 34: 1-30; Somebody messed up with his Sister, he didn't like the idea but the People came to beg that our son had made a Mistake, Please let's rectify the Mistake. Grant us the opportunity to marry this Lady and that is Good enough.

Levi and his brothers said that is fine on one Condition - You must be Circumcised as ourselves before you can marry our Sister. And the People said that we will do anything.

And so Levi and his brothers waited till all the Men were Circumcised and by the 3rd Day they were in severe Pains, and then they attacked them and wiped out - All the Men in the family.

When the News came to their father he said: Ha, what have you done? I am a Stranger in the Land and you have created a Problem for me so that anybody hearing my name now, my name will sink.

But the father kept quiet and waited until the Day of his Death, then he Pronounced a Curse on Levi.

And he said: Levi, you will be scattered in Israel.

In other words, it doesn't matter how hard you tried, you won't become anybody - That is in Genesis 45: 5-7.

But then, the Everlasting Arms of God went into the Past of Levi, corrected what the boy had done and then Change the Curse to Blessings.

So that by the time you get to Numbers 3: 5-13; the Almighty God said that the Fellow that they said will be scattered should be brought near.

This boy that his father said will not become anything, God said that I have Chosen him to be my firstborn.

I'm Praying for Somebody here today or reading now on the Label of DMC - Whatever you have done wrong that is troubling your Present, may the Everlasting Arms of God go back and rearrange them (Amen).

There was a Young Man who had done a lot of Terrible Things - He was deep in drugs, deep in the Occults and he was everything bad you can think of.

He was a Leader of what we called "Area Boys" in Lagos - Those of us who live in Lagos knows what that means.

DMC NOTES: Area Boy is a term used in Nigeria to describe Groups of typically Young men who set themselves up as "Informal Security Guards" for areas in or near where they live but often use the Control that this gives them to engage in "Petty Criminal Activity" such as drug dealing and extortion.

There was a time that no matter how hot the weather is, even if your car hadn't gotten Airconditioner; if you are driving in the Streets of Lagos, you must wind up your Windows.

Why? Because in the Go-Slow, Area Boys will come and Pay you a visit and you will gladly give them your Mobile Phones or whatever if you love your Life.

They were so terrible that some People were Clamouring that the Government should do something - Gather all the Area Boys, throw them into the Lagoon et cetera et cetera.

But then, the Almighty God spoke to us and said that all they wanted is Help.

So we moved in - Move some of them into a Camp, get them delivered from drugs and so on and so forth.

And one of them that used to be a very Bad Boy, finally came to the School of Missions and Graduated from the School of Missions.

And when there was an Opening in Norway for us to open a Church there, he was the one sent there.

And when we went to Norway to go and visit him and we held a Holy Ghost Service in the Country, all the Men of God there said that we have never seen a crowd like this in our Land gathered for a Christian Program.

... He was supposed to be heading to become a Chairmam in Hell but he became a National Pastor for a Great Nation.

I have Good News for those of you who are listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC - It doesn't matter what you have done in the Cult, the Everlasting Arm is here today to reach out to you, and to Clean your Past so that your Present and Future might be Glorious - Amen.

3. The Everlasting Arm can reach to the Future and bring it to the Present.

Why? Because the Everlasting Arm belongs to Someone described in Revelation 1:8 - The One

who is the Beginning as well as the Ending; the One who was, the One who is and the One who is to come.

So, the Past and the Future; they meet in Him!

And so, He can Stretch forth His Everlasting Arms far, far into the Future and bring it into the Present.

I. For Example in Matthew 15: 21-28; a woman came to Jesus Christ asking for Help. Jesus Christ told her in essence that the time for the Gentiles has not come.

The Gentiles were regarded as dogs and so Jesus Christ told her that I can't give the Bread of children to dogs.

But if you remembered the Story very well - The woman said that I know that I am a dog and I'm not arguing but this Particular dog is not going home without a Miracle.

So, Jesus Christ said, alright we can bring the Future near for you.

Because the time for the Gentiles was supposed to come I Acts 10: 1-end - You know the Story.

When God told Peter to go to Cornelius' house, he told God you are making a mistake. We don't have anything to do with the Gentiles.

God said, well they used to be Gentiles but their time has come. But what you are calling Unclean, I have decided to make it Clean.

II. You will also remember the Story in John 2: 1-10.

When in the Wedding in Cana of Galilee they ran out of Wine and the mother of Jesus Christ came to Him and said: Son, they lack Wine.

Jesus Christ said, my Time has not yet come but you know the rest of the Story that few Minutes later, the Time that has not yet come came.

I have a feeling that there is Someone here today or reading now on the Label of DMC - At long last, your Time has come because the Everlasting Arm can Change "Not Yet" to "Now".

It can go to the Future and bring the Future to the Present!

An incident happened several years ago, I went to the East to Preach in Aba to be Specific.

When I finished there, I was returning to the Airport in Port Harcourt to take a Flight back to

Lagos.

On the way, I was kidnapped - One of the Kidnappers put a gun to my throat and they were driving towards the Airport. And then we got to a Section of the road and the one in front told the driver to branch because there was a little untarred road to the left.

And the driver branched and drove far into the bush, got to a Place and told the driver to stop.

And they brought me out, removed everything except my Singlets and then they said go. Somehow, I got to Lagos safe,

Years Past, the Church in the East and South had grown and we needed a Campground - A Place where all our Pastors in that Section of the Country can gather together.

And my children finally found a Piece of Property and said: Daddy we founded a Place where we can have our Camp, let's go and show you.

And so we were driving towards the Airport and we got to a Point and they branched to the left and they drove into the bush until we got to a Particular Spot and then we came down and they said Daddy, look at your right and left, that is our Land.

They didn't know why I was so silent because the very Place where Kidnappers dropped me, that's where my children dropped me.

So, the Almighty God had gone into the Future - You know that Part of the Bible that says wherever the sole of your feet has touched will become your Possession.

I'm believing God for Someone here today, the Everlasting Arm will bring the Future to your Present.

4. The Everlasting Arm can take you to the Highest Level Possible.

In Ephesians 1: 17-23; the Bible tells us that He Himself is seated far above Principalities and Powers.

And according to Ephesians 2: 4-7; the Bible says that we are seated with Him over there far above Principalities and Powers so that in the Future, you will be able to make us Trophies of His Grace - Show People that look at the People, there was a time they are not even a People but now look at them.

Many atimes we have always rejoiced that we are seated in the Heavenly Places with the Almighty God - Which is very Good.

Which tells us that when God is Promoting you, the Sky is not your Limit - He will take you far, far, far up there.

But the interesting thing is even right now, He can cause you to come and sit down with Him so that from there, you can begin to enjoy the benefits of being on the highest Mountain Top.

In 1 John 4:17; the Bible says that as He is, so we are.

Where? In this world right now, because of the fact that the One Promoting us is the Everlasting Arm. He has already Placed us far above Principalities and Powers.

I used to say a little bit about what happened after I became Born Again, what happened before and what happened after.

Way back in 1960, when the Major Political Parties in Nigeria were Action Group (AG), NCNC (DMC NOTES: NCNC was formerly called National Council of Nigeria and the Cameroons but later Changed to National Convention of Nigeria Citizens) and NPC (DMC NOTES: NPC stands for Northern People's Congress).

The People in my Village were divided between the Action Group and NCNC.

My family People decided that they want to cross over from Action Group to NCNC but my Principal then at Ilesha Grammar School was a Strong Action Group Man in Ijeshaland.

And so, they called a family Meeting and in that Meeting they said that everybody in our family will now move over to NCNC.

And my Father said that you know my son is in the Grammar School and the Principal is an Action Group Man. If he hears that we are no longer in the same Party, he may take it out on my son.

And I'm talking of those 1960's Days - The number of Grammar Schools in the whole Country you can name them all. And if they throw you out of any Grammar School, you have to go and do Extra Exams again because no other Secondary School will take you if you are Rusticated.

So, my father said that my son is in the Final Year, allow him to finish and as soon as he has finished, I will join you,

And so the People said: Is that so? He said yes.

They said: So because of your son, that is why you won't join us? They said we will see how old he will be before he dies.

And my father knew the meaning of that - He knew that what that means is that I might not see the following Morning.

And so that Night, we ran. And for thirteen (13) years, I was running until I met the Lord Jesus Christ.

And now when I go home, I announced that I am coming so that Witches and Wizards can run away because of the Everlasting Arms.

I'm decreeing to Somebody - No Evil Force will be able to touch you (Amen).

5. The Everlasting Arm can reach into the Grave and bring out the Dead.

I. I'm sure that you know John 11: 39-44 - Lazarus was not just dead, he was already sinking as he has been in the Grave for four (4) days.

And when the Owner of the Everlasting Arms got there, and He said: Lazarus, come forth!.

As Theologians will tell you - If He had not mentioned the name of Lazarus, every dead Persons would have come out of the Grave that day.

II. And you know also Ezekiel 37: 1-10 - It tells us about the dry bones in the Valley.

And the Bible says that they were not just dry, they were "Very Dry".

So dry that when God asked the Man of God: Can these bones live again?

The Man of God said that this is beyond my Faith and only you can tell.

But you know the rest of the Story - The dry bones lived again.

6. But Probably the most important thing is that: "The Everlasting Arms can reach into "Absolute Darkness"; "Absolute Hopelessness" and bring Somebody into the Light.

That Arm of the Everlasting God is the Arm of Light.

And it can reach into the Absolute Utter Hopeless Darkness and bring Somebody out.

You can take the Example of the Mad Man of Gadara in Mark 5: 2-20.

He brought out a Man who was Hopelessly Mad, restored his Destiny and he became an Evangelist.

In Yorubaland, they have a Proverb based on Deep Experience.

They said that if Somebody is Mad and he hasn't reached the Marketplace yet, then he can be cured.

But if Somebody is Mad and the Fellow stripped himself/herself naked and then manage to reach the Marketplace, then forget it.

Won a ni: Aso ko ba Omo yen, Omo yen ti rin ihoho wo oja.

DMC NOTES: They will say: Clothing Items not for that Child again, the Child has walked Naked into the Marketplace.

What they mean with that Yoruba Proverb is that: If that Fellow gets to the Marketplace, no Charm or Nothing you can do again.

A very important Man had that little Problem with his wife - The wife ran Mental and manages to reach the Marketplace before anybody could hold her.

And so they knew that this is a Hopeless Case.

But they still took her to one Herbalist in Kwara State and of course she was there and the Herbalist knew that Nothing can be done - Just tie her down and watch over her.

Then the husband became Born Again and learnt that with God, Nothing shall be Impossible.

And so they brought the case to us - I was Lecturing then at the University of Ilorin and Pastoring at the same time,

And so, they took me to where the woman was and I asked the Herbalist for Permission to Pray.

He looked at me that there is Nothing anybody can do to this woman that can make her case worst - So, do what you want to do,

So I Prayed and the Prayer didn't last for 5 Minutes.

So when the husband heard in Lagos that the Pastor you sent came, he Prayed o but the Prayer didn't last 5 Minutes, so he lost Hope and finally he came and took the wife to the Asylum Teaching Hospital somewhere.

DMC NOTES: Psychiatric Hospitals, also known as Mental Hospitals, Mental Health Units, Mental Asylums or simply Asylums, are Hospitals or Wards Specializing in the treatment of serious Mental disorders, such as Clinical Depression, Schizophrenia, and Bipolar disorder.

But the Professor there said that let us watch the woman, let us find out exactly the Problem before we begin to apply drugs.

To cut the long Story short, after fifteen (15) days, they sent for the husband - Sir, what do you say is wrong with this Woman?

The Man said that she is Mad.

And the Doctor said that you are saying this woman is Mad? I think that you are the one we should examine because this woman is one hundred Percent sane.

The Prayers that I Prayed for her that day is a Prayer that you are about to Pray tonight - Because the Prayer that I Prayed was that: "God, let Your Light Shine".

Because when His Light Shines, no matter how dark your Darkness is, things will Change!

7. But before we Pray that Prayer; there is one beautiful thing about the Everlasting Arms - And that is that the Almighty God is willing to embrace you with the Everlasting Arm.

That is why He said: Come unto me, all you that Labour and are Heavy Ladened and I will give you rest.

Come! Come into my embrace and let me show you the kind of Love that is Everlasting!

ALTAR CALL

That is why I'm Calling out to those of you who are listening to me now or reading now on the Label of DMC - If you haven't accepted that Invitation, Please do so tonight.

It doesn't matter how deep you have gone in the Occultic - Come and let Him embrace you.

He has the Power to Change your Past so Completely that even your friends won't recognise you again - It is up to you and the Choice is yours!

Those of you making this Decision, quietly Stand Up where you are seated so that the Almighty God can see that you are Surrendering your Life to Him Completely.

And if you used to be a Child of God and you backslided and you want to return to Him, Please Stand Up also - His Everlasting Arm are waiting to give you an embrace. But you have to accept His Invitation.

Please Pray and tell the Almighty God - I am here Lord, save my Soul, receive me Oh Lord,

forgive all my sins, Stretch Your Everlasting Arms to my Past and put everything there right.

I'm coming to you now, so that according to Your Words, all things may become New for me and Old Things will Pass away.

Go ahead and talk to God!

And the rest of us, let us Intercede for the People who are Standing all over the Place - Intercede for them that the Almighty God who saved your Soul will save their own Souls also.

Pray that God will have Mercy on them and He will embrace them in His Everlasting Arms.

Thank You Father.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION

Everlasting Father, Light of the world. I want to Thank You for Your Words and I want to Thank You for all those Standing now as a Sign of Surrender to You.

Please Lord God Almighty, receive them all, have Mercy on them all, forgive all their sins, let Your Blood wash them Clean, receive them into the Family of God and Oh my Father and my God, give them an embrace tonight.

And from this moment onwards, whatever in the Past that has been troubling their Present, remove it Completely.

Give them a Brand New Beginning and from now on, anytime they cry unto You, Please answer them by Fire.

Thank You Almighty God.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

SPECIAL LIGHT UP PRAYERS

Now we are going to do something by Faith - If you have your Mobile Phones, you switch on the Light all over the Place,

Because we are going to Pray by Faith - We are going to ask the Almighty God to Shine His Light into our lives.

Lift Up all the Lights to God as a Sign of Faith - And we are going to cry to God and say:

1. Father, You are the Light of the world, let Your Light Shine into my Life, into my Home, into my Place of Work, into my Church - Let Your Light Shine!

Go ahead and talk to the Almighty God.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

2. And you are going to Pray another Prayer and say: Father, Thank You for Shinning Your Light into my Life; I hereby Pray that my Light will never go out.

Go ahead and talk to the Almighty God.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You once again for Your Words.

I also Thank You once again for that Testimony that we heard of that Child that was going Blind Completely and then You moved.

Thank You for bringing her out of Darkness into Light.

Father, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

I'm using that Girl as a Point of Contact for all Your Children here or reading now on the Label of DMC - Anyone in any form of Darkness: Physical, Mental, Spiritual; Father send Your Light.

Like You have never done before, heal tonight - Heal Physically, heal Mentally, heal Spiritually into the lives of all Your Children here today or reading now on the Label of DMC; Father, Shine Your Light.

Into every Barren Wombs, Shine Your Light.

Into every Projects, Shine Your Light.

Into every nooks and corners of University of Ibadan, Shine Your Light.

Into our Past, Shine Your Light.

Into our Present, Shine Your Light.

Into our Future, Shine Your Light.

And Lord God Almighty, from now on, let the Light go on Shinning and don't let us ever go back to Darkness.

Please Lord, help us till the very End.

And Lord, Your Children will be Praying one more Prayer, even as they Pray, immediately answer them.

Don't let anybody leave here without a Testimony.

And in Your Kingdom, don't let any of us be missing.

Thank You Almighty God.

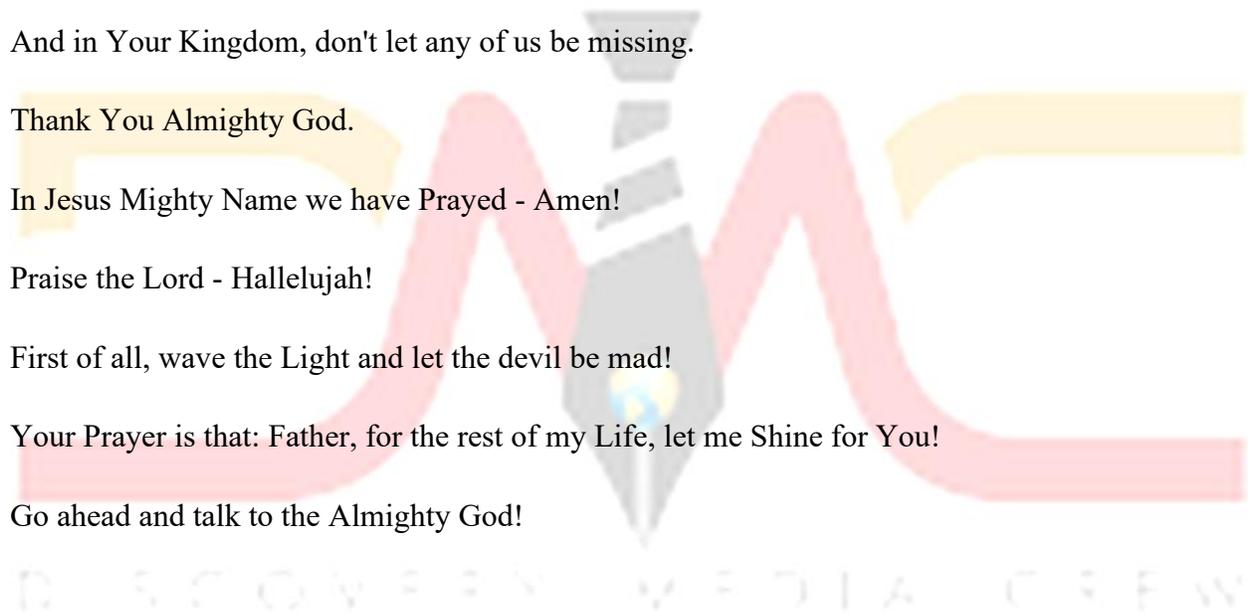
In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Praise the Lord - Hallelujah!

First of all, wave the Light and let the devil be mad!

Your Prayer is that: Father, for the rest of my Life, let me Shine for You!

Go ahead and talk to the Almighty God!



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BIBLE TEXT: PSALMS 36:7

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I have a Father
Almighty Father
He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords
I have a Father.

OPENING PRAYER

King of Kings and Lord of Lords; the Holy One of Israel, the Unchangeable Changer, the One who has no Beginning and has no Ending, the Almighty God - Glory be to Your Holy Name.

Father, we want to say Thank You for everything that You have done on this Campus from inception till now. We Thank You for what You did Last Year, Thank You for what You are going to do now.

Father, accept our Thanks in Jesus Name.

In a Very Special Way today Father, visit Your Children, save Souls, heal the Sick, Set Captives Free and do what You alone can do.

But Please Lord, don't let anybody leave here without a Testimony.

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

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Well, let Somebody shout Hallelujah - Hallelujah!

And then, I want you to find two (2) or three (3) People that you have not seen this Year and say: Happy New Year to them.

And then, you may Please be seated.

Listening to the Trstifier, she made a Statement that is going to lead me to tell you a Story and then Pray a Prayer for you before we begin.

I happened to be by the Special Grace of God, one of the first Graduands of Mathematics of this University - DMC NOTES: Referring to the then "University of Ife" but now "Obafemi Awolowo University" (OAU). That was in 1967.

On that Day, something Spectacular happened - The then Ooni of Ife, Sir Adesoji Aderemi (DMC NOTES: The 49th Ooni of Ife) was given an Honourable Doctorate Degree - And I'm telling you that it was a very Glorious Occasion. The Drummers were beating their drums, lots of dancing and it was so beautiful.

DMC NOTES: The Ooni is taken as the direct descendant of Oduduwa, who was the first suzerain of the People. The Ooni of Ile-Ife (Ọ̀ni of Ilẹ̀-Ifẹ̀) is the Traditional Ruler of Ilẹ̀-Ifẹ̀ and the Spiritual Head of the Yoruba People. The Ooni dynasty existed before the reign of Oduduwa which Historians have argued to have been between the 7th-9th Centuries A.D. Ooni is the title of the Occupier of the Oba of Ile-Ife town; mother town of the Yoruba People. Oba Adeyeye Enitan Ogunwusi (Ọ̀jájá II) CFR (born 17 October, 1974) is the 51st and current Ooni of Ife. He is the Traditional Ruler and Monarch of the Yoruba Kingdom of Ile-Ife. He ascended to the Throne of his forebears on the 7th of December 2015, succeeding the deceased Oba Okunade Sijuwade, who was the 50th Ooni of Ife.

That day, I spoke to a friend of mine - My closest friend, now of Blessed Memory that one day, I too will get an Honourary Doctorate Degree from this University.

My friend looked at me and laughed - He said that you don't qualify as they don't give Honourary Doctorate Degree to every "Dick and Harry". And he was speaking the Truth.

He said that if it is something you will Study for, I know that you have the Brain but you can get other Degrees by Studying but they only give Honourary Doctorate Degrees to "Very Special People".

And if you want to know what he meant by "Dick and Harry"? I was a thorough "Dick and Harry" - The only fellow who came to my Graduation was the Girlfriend that I finally married. Just like himself too.

I mean we left the Campus, we wanted to Celebrate - We went to the Motor Park where you can take a Lorry to Oke Igbo (DMC NOTES: "Okeigbo" is the Headquarters of Ile Oluji/Okeigbo LGA in Ondo State). And we entered into a Buka (DMC NOTES: A Buka is an Inexpensive Casual Restaurant selling already Prepared food) where one Mama (Woman) was selling Amala (DMC NOTES: Amala is a Flour from Yam/Cassava/Unripe Plantain and it is made by mixing this Flour in Boiling Water and Stirring continuously to make a Starchy Smooth Brown Dough); get some very Good Ponmo (DMC NOTES: Ponmo is Cow Skin). And when we finished, we washed it down with a bottle of Coke each.

... That was how we Celebrated one of the Greatest Events of our Life.

Years Passed and then one day, I got a Letter from this University that the Council had decided to award me an Honourable Doctorate Degree.

So, I want to Pray for Somebody tonight or as you read now on the Label of DMC - The Miracle that you don't qualified for, my God will give it to you today (Amen).

Psalms 36:7:

How excellent is thy Lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their Trust under the Shadow of thy Wings.

I have been told that the Theme for this Year's Gathering is: "UNDER THE SHADOW OF HIS WINGS.

Now, if we start normally the way we do, we want to define our Terms so that we will all understand what we are talking about.

We will just break the Topic into 2 Sections and then define what we mean by them. For Example:

1. What do we mean by: "Under The Shadow".

By that we are talking of Somebody being covered by a Shadow - He is not above, not beside but under the Shadow.

2. And then it says: "Of His Wings".

The crucial word here is "His".

So the most important Question we should answer today is: Who is the Fellow called "He" - Under whose Shadow of WINGS we are?

So, who is "He"? - We will let Him Introduce Himself to us in some Passages of the Scriptures!

I. Genesis 17:1 - He calls Himself Jehovah El-Shaddai; the God who is More Than Enough.

That is the One under whose Shadow we are going to be inviting you to very soon.

II. In Genesis 18: 9-14 and you combine that with Jeremiah 32:27; then you know that we are talking about the One who is the God of all flesh, the One with whom Nothing shall be Impossible.

Tell your Neighbour that: My own will not be Impossible with God,

III. And then in Exodus 15:26; He introduced Himself as the Lord that healeth thee - The Great Physician.

IV. In Psalms 24: 7-10; He introduced Himself by two (2) Titles:

- He called Himself "The King of Glory".

To understand this, you need to know that Glory is the Opposite of Shame.

Which is something that should tell Somebody right away - For the rest of your Life, no more Shame (Amen).

- And went on to say that: "I Am the Lord of Host".

And by saying that He is the Lord of Host, He is saying that He is the Commander-In-Chief of all Hosts.

Host is a Title that is given generally to Armies.

So, when He says that He is the Lord of Hosts, it is that He Controls the Host in Heaven (All the Angels are under His Command); all the Hosts on Earth (All the Armies everywhere under His Control) and then the Hosts of Darkness (Demons, Herbalist, Witches, Wizards).

I mean you know enough of the Bible, but just in case you are not too sure: You can read Job Chapters 1 and 2 - You will discovered that even the devil cannot do anything without getting Permission from Him.

That is the One under whose Shadow we are inviting you.

5. Then in Daniel 2:20; He was introduced to us as the Source of all Wisdom.

And since we are in an Academic Atmosphere, I'm sure, you will be interested that He Controls Knowledge.

6. In Haggai 2:8; if you combine that with Psalms 24:1; you will discovered that the "He" we are referring to is the Source of all Wealth.

He said: Silver is mine, Gold is Mine. And the Bible says that the Earth is the Lord and the Fullness thereof.

You can never find anyone richer than Him!

7. And then of course in Revelation 1:8; He says He is the Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the Ending; the One who is, the One who was, the One who is to come; the Almighty.

So, you have a rough idea of who the "His" that is being referred to when we talk about: "Being under the Shadow of His Wings".

At least you know that we are not talking of Pastor here, we are not talking of General Overseer but we are talking about "The Sovereign God".

- We are talking about the One who said: Let there be Light and there will be Light.

- We are talking of the One when He opens, no Man can shut and when He Shuts no Man can open.

- We are talking of the One who when He says "No", Nobody can say "Yes" and when He says "Yes", Nobody can say "No".

So, when He decides to Qualify the Unqualifier; even the Faculties (DMC NOTES: Lecturers) will cooperate by Force!

You know, we are talking of Someone that we will call the King of Kings as one of His Names - The One who Controls all Kings in every Kingdom. For Example:

1. In the Kingdom of Animals, the Lion is the King.

But this King that we are talking about once told Lions: This Fellow you see coming down in your Den is my son - Don't you ever touch him. You know the Story in Daniel Chapter 6.

And then on another occasion in 1 Kings Chapter 13, a Prophet misbehaved and He decided to teach him a Lesson. And then He said: You kill him but don't eat him.

The Lion killed the Prophet and stood by watching. And He said: Watch over his dead body because Somebody is coming who caused him to err. Until that Fellow comes, stay here!

2. I'm sure that you know that in the Kingdom of Fishes, the Whale is the King.

On another occasion, a Prophet misbehaved - He was sent to the Right but he went to the left. And he was stupid enough to travel by sea - Forgetting that he is dealing with the King who Controls the Wind and Sea. The Bible says that the Wind and Sea obeys Him.

Which is Good News for Somebody straightaway - Whatever Storm is in your Life, it is ceasing today - Amen!

And so the King of all Kings spoke to the Wind and say: Wind blow, Sea cooperate. And so, there was a Storm - You know the Story.

In the meantime, Jonah was Sleeping - You can read Jonah Chapters 1 & 2.

Finally, they threw him overboard and God spoke to the Whale - Swallow him but don't digest him. I just want you to give him Accommodation for three (3) days and three (3) Nights.

After three (3) days and three (3) Nights, He spoke to the Whale - Alright, this Fellow is sober now; go and vomit him. But he doesn't know how to swim, so take him to the Beach.

I'm Introducing you to Somebody:

- Somebody who is so Powerful.

- Somebody who is so Complete in Sufficiency.

- Somebody who is about to do something in your Life today.

I am Introducing Him to you so that you can be ready because this is a Day you won't forget - Amen!

Now, our Topic is: "UNDER HIS SHADOW".

The Implications of this in a very Simple Language is that: "You are under His Cover".

You know, when we talk about Cover, you Probably understand a little bit about Insurance Policy.

When you take an Insurance Policy, then your car is under a Cover of Insurance Company:

- If the car has an Accident, the Company will be responsible for the Repairs.

- If the car is Stolen, the Company will be responsible for getting you a Brand New one.

Now, this God that we are talking to you about, He is saying that if you are one of His Own:

1. PHYSICALLY YOU ARE COVERED.

Meaning what? Because He is the Great Physician.

I. If you need Healings at all, all He has to do is Speak. Psalms 107:20 says: He sent His Words and it heals them.

And believe me honestly, even as I am saying that - Somebody is getting healed (Amen).

II. Alternatively, He might say that I have you Covered by my Strips.

1 Peter 2:24 says: By His Strips you were Healed - Not going to be healed but already healed.

Today, all those of you who are Children of God, who are in any form of Sickness or the other; the Cover for Healings is going to operate in your Life.

In Mark 5: 25-34; we see the situation there that will show you the Power of this Great Physician.

Here, we have the Story of a Woman who had Issue of Blood. And she has been suffering for years and she has been transferred from one Specialist to another until she came in contact with the "He" that we are talking about.

And you know that the "He" does not transfer any cases - The moment you get to Him, you are at the Last Bus Stop.

And that is why I rejoice with those of you who might have any form of illness, that somehow you came here tonight. In the Name that is above every other names, you will go home with your Healings - Amen!

2. Mentally Speaking, if you are one of His Own, He has you Covered? Why

I. Because He is in the Control of Wisdom and He is the Source of Wisdom.

And in Daniel 2: 21; it says: He gives Wisdom to the Wise.

So, you need Wisdom/Knowledge; come under the Shadow of the One who is the Source of all

Wisdom.

As a matter of fact, He says clearly in James 1: 5-6 - If anybody lacks Wisdom, let them ask.

This is important to Students as well as Lecturers - I mean you are a Lecturer and you are not Producing "Learned Papers"? You will stay where you are and Nobody is going to Promote you

I will tell you a Story or two (2):

STORY 1: Years ago, in one of the Universities, they brought a boy to us for Prayers - The father is a Professor and the mother is a Professor. But the Product of two Professors was just a Dullard and his Brain Nothing.

And if they moved him from a Class of 30 Students to a Class of 35 Students, his Position move from 30th to 35th. They get all manners of Teachers to teach him and he just kept failing.

Then we Prayed a Simple Prayer. The following Examination, he came first. The Teachers said No, there must be something wrong because they said that this boy is so dull that even if we give him the answer to copy, he will copy it wrongly. So, they decided to give him another Exams and he scored higher.

May I decree to Somebody here today or reading now on the Label of DMC that in the Name above every other names, you will never fail another Exams - Amen!

STORY 2: I think it was way back in 1976. As a Young Lecturer at the University of Lagos, there was this World Conference of Applied Mathematicians in Canada. For one reason or the other, two People were sent from Nigeria and I happened to be one of them - How it happened? God can qualify the Unqualifier. Because as at this time, I have only written about twelve (12) Papers and when I got to the Place and on the Opening Night, the Man they introduced to give the Opening Paper had Published fifty (50) Papers and I said, God what am I doing here? And I mean, this Man was talking about "The Mathematics of the Rain" - I have never heard anything like that before.

So I Prayed - Father, when it is my turn to Present my Paper, Please don't let this Man come because he is going to feel that who brought this Idiot here.

And then the day came - Who was there sitting right in front of me? It was this same Man.

But I have Prayed All Night - God, You are the Source of Wisfom, just Glorify Your Name in my Life today.

I finished Presenting my Paper and this Great Man got up and began to Clap and then others joined him to Clap too.

In the Name above every other names, every Members of the Faculty listening to me today or reading now on the Label of DMC; one day you will be Celebrated - Amen!

3. Materially if you are under His Cover then you are Covered. Why?:

I. Because He Owns all Wealth.

I mean you know the Story in 2 Kings 4: 1-7 - It was the Widow of one of the Sons of the Prophet and she was Destitute. She had to run for Cover when the Creditors said: If you don't Pay us by tomorrow, we will sell your Children as they are the only thing Worthy of any Value.

She ran for Cover: Went to the Man of God, the Man of God gave her some "Stupid Instructions" - Go and borrow Empty Vessels, borrow many of them. Take that " Little Bottle" of oil that you have and begin to boil. He said that as soon as one Vessel is full, set it aside and then get the other.

She woke up a Destitute, by the end of the day, she had Paid all her debts and the Bible said that she lived comfortably for the rest of her Life.

I Prophecy to Somebody here today or reading now on the Label of DMC - You are not going to die Poor (Amen).

Because you see this God that we are talking about in John 6: 5-13; had Nothing to feed thousands of People with except five (5) loaves of Bread and two (2) Fishes.

By the time everybody had been fed, they still had twelve (12) Baskets Extra.

The Question is: Where was the Bread coming from? It is coming from the One called "The Bread of Life".

What happened to the Fish? Probably when you get to Heaven, you can ask Him and He will tell you.

But He said something in James 4:2. It tells you the reason why you are Suffering Lack - He said that you have not, because you ask not.

Do you know that if you ask God tonight that you don't want to suffer Poverty anymore, He will grant your Request!

Of course immediately the Question that will be coming to your Mind is: Where will the Money come from? My Parents were Poor and there is no Helper.

Hey, your Brain is "Too Small" to understand Him.

I have told you before that when Somebody said that I have a PhD in Mathematics, he is saying that to deceive those of you who don't know much - Giving you the impression that there comes a Man who knows Mathematics.

But if he finds himself among fellow Mathematicians - They will begin to ask him Questions:

What is your area of Specialization? Applied Maths.

What Section of Applied Maths? Fluids Dynamics.

What Section of Fluids Dynamics? Hydrodynamics.

What Section of Hydrodynamics? 2-Dimensional Flow.

What aspect of 2-Dimensional Flow? Navier-Stokes Equation.

By the time they pinned him down, you will discover that he got PhD in just a little "Pin Head" of Mathematics.

It will take you a thousand years to know all that needs to be known about Mathematics!

And here is a God who knows all Mathematics, all Physics, all Chemistry, all Geography, all Subjects Known and yet to be Known and you now want to compare yourself to Him?

When you ask Him for something, Please for God's sake, don't ever think of how will He do it - That is beyond you!

I have told you the Story before - I was in the United Kingdom to Prepare our Sunday School Materials. I have finished but in those days, they have what they call "Special Tickets" (Cheap Tickets) that when you buy it, the Condition is that you must stay where you are going for two (2) weeks before you can return,

I have finished all the works that I had gone to do and I still have three (3) days to go and I have run out of Money.

And I ask God: Daddy, you know that I don't mind Fasting but there are some Books and Tapes that I can only get here. How I wish that I have some Money so that I can buy these things.

Few Minutes later my Phone rang and the other fellow there said: Biyi. I said that there is no Biyi here. Is that not "So, So and So" Number? I said wrong Number. And he said sorry and I said God Bless you.

To cut the long Story short, he got to know that I'm Pastor Adeboye of RCCG - Apparently, they are talking about me and wishing to meet me.

They came to visit, we talked and when they were going, they gave me fifty Pounds (£50) - Through calling of a Wrong Phone Number.

I took the fifty Pounds (£50), going Upstairs and I thought that God if I know that this is how quickly you will Provide for me, I would have asked for one hundred Pounds (£100)..

I got Upstairs, knelt down to Pray so that I can go to sleep but then there was Somebody knocking the door. So, I went downstairs to see who it was.

By the time I got there, whoever that Fellow was had left but he dropped an envelop through the Letter Hole. I Picked the Letter, I recognised the handwriting of a friend of mine that was Rich but a World Champion Miser as he has never given me a Penny before.

And what He wrote at the back is: I just feel like giving you some Money. I opened it and it was fifty Pounds (£50).

I said Lord, if I had know this is how You will do it, I would have asked for another fifty Pounds (£50).

To cut the long Story short, before I slept that Night, I had one hundred and fifty Pounds (£150) and then I became afraid - Oh Lord, I'm just joking,ing ooo.

Years later, He told me that if you had asked for five thousand Pounds (£5,000), I would have given you - You asked for fifty Pounds (£50) and you got it.

Is there anybody here who will like that one day you will be able to come to this University and ask the VC: Tell me what is your Budget? - Yes for The DMC Family Members!

4. Maritally, if you are under His Shadow, you are Covered! Why?

I. His Name is Father.

In Matthew 6:9; the Lord Jesus Christ was Teaching us on how to Pray. He says that this is how you should Pray: "Our Father".

... That means that He is a "Family Man".

II. Genesis 2:18; He is the One who said that it is not Good that a Man should be alone. He hates Loneliness.

And if you are married and you are waiting on Him for the Fruit of the Womb - Congratulations because your Day has come - Amen

How do I know that? Because He wants you to be Fruitful!

Genesis 1: 26-28, He said clearly after He has made Man and Woman, He said: "Be Fruitful and Multiply" - It is a Command of the Almighty God.

Because by the time I return Next Year (2025) if the Lord tarries and it is time for Testimony, you will come forward with your children - Amen.

Some of you Probably heard the Story of one Lady who had been Trusting God for a Partner for "Donkey Years" until she has stopped Mensurating.

And then, we were in a Meeting like this and I said everybody should ask God for whatever they want - And she said: God, I'm not going to bother You about a Husband anymore. What is the use as I cannot have a Child? But I will serve You all the same.

And the Almighty God responded - It wasn't long after that, a Man came to her and say: Sister, thus saith the Lord, you are to be my wife. She looked at him and said that you better go and Pray again. The Man said that I'm sure,

Don't you want children because I can't have any as I have already passed the Age of Child Bearing? The Man said: Glory be to God, you must be the one. He said because I already have children and I lost my wife; all I need is a mother for my children.

To cut a long Story short, they got married, the woman who said that she can no longer have a Child got Pregnant the first Month and gave birth to a Set of Twins.

5. Spiritually, if you will come under His Shadow, He will keep you Covered.

Covered in what Sense?

I. Because He Himself is a Spirit - John 14:24.

2 Corinthians 3:17 says: Wherever the Spirit of God is, there is Liberty.

You know the Story in Mark 5: 2-24 - This is the Story of the Mad Man of Gadara. That Man was thoroughly bound by Forces of Darkness.

But as soon as he came under the Shadow of the Wings of the Most High, not only was he Set Free, his Destiny was restored.

You know many atimes, some People will just go ahead and begin to blame the Students - That this Student is Lazy, we have spent so much on him/her and not Producing results.

They may not know that there are Forces of Darkness hindering the Child.

How many of you can remember that you Studied very hard but you get into the Examination Hall and somehow you blank out?

I have seen it several times - I have seen all manners of the work of the Enemies Particularly at Examination Time.

I mean I remembered very Clearly a case at University of Lagos - Right in the middle of the Examination Hall, a Young Man just begin to urinate and of course, there is a little bit of Pandemonium as they were calling Ambulance.

You think this is a case for the Doctor? Please call my Pastor.

Every Evil Force working against your Destiny, I decree tonight that they will leave you alone - Amen!

So, when you come under His Shadow, you are Covered Physically, Mentally, Materially, Mentally and Spiritually.

But, let us go a little deeper because we have this Opportunity once a year.

1. If you are under His Shadow, your Past is Covered.

We all know that the Past is the mother of the Present - Whatever you are going through today can be traced to what happened in your Past.

If you come under the Shadow of the One who said that He is the Alpha and Omega, He can Cover your Past!

He can Cover the mistake of the Past with His Blood - 1 John 1:7 says that the Blood of Jesus Christ His Son Cleanses from all sins.

That is why the Bible says in 2 Corinthians 5:17 - If a Man be in Christ, He is a New Creature; Old Things has Passed away, behold all things has become New. He can keep your Past Covered.

For Example, if there is a Generational Curse in your family - Don't take that Curse lightly.

When you read Exodus 14: 1-end; you will discovered that when Pharaoh and his Army were coming after the Children of Israel - The People that has terrorised Israel for more than 430 years. In a Single Night, God wiped them out.

I have Good News for you - As you come under His Shadow tonight, any Curse that is still remaining in your Generation will be wiped out (Amen).

You remembered the Story of that Young Fellow who was thirty nine (39) years Old, going to forty (40) and he came to say that he has a Major Problem,

He said that there is no Male in his family who ever exceeded forty (40) years of Age. He said that he was the Oldest Male in the family and he is thirty nine (39) years Old and about to enter forty. That was why he came,

And we Prayed and he is still alive today more than thirty (30) years later.

Every Generational Curse that is quietly working against your Destiny, in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ, they will be gone tonight - Amen!

2. Your Present is Covered - Because He is the All-Sufficient One.

David said in Psalms 23:1 - He said that the Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

And so you find that it is written in Philippians 4:19 - But my God shall Supply All my Needs.

And you read in Philippians 4:13; I can do All Things, how? Through Christ who is Supplying all the Strength.

If I am under His Cover, it is not Possible for me to fail.

I have said it before and I am saying it again - In the Name of the One who sent me, you will never failed another Exams (Amen).

And you know in Psalms 68:19; the Bible says that He Daily loads us with Blessings.

When He wants to Supply your Needs for a Day, He can use various Methods.

Every Miracles that are not yours, God will direct them to you - Amen!

3. And your Future is Covered because He Controls not just the Past and Present but the Future - His Name is Alpha and Omega.

And not only that, He called Himself the King of Glory.

That is why He said in Colossians 1:27 - It is written in His Words that "Christ in you, the Hope of Glory".

And He said in Isaiah 3:10 - Say ye to the Righteous, it shall be well with him.

That is another way of saying that your Future will be alright.

He said in John 14: 1-3 - If you are one of His Own, if you are under His Cover, He said don't let your Heart be troubled; He said that in my father's house there are many Mansions; He said that I have gone to Prepare a Place for you and when I finished Preparing the Place, then I will, come and take you so that where I am, you may be also.

If you are under His Shadow, you don't have to worry about tomorrow because tomorrow is already taken care of.

He will take care of you when you are here on Earth and He will take care of you when you have to leave.

So shall I Conclude:

There is something very Interesting about Shadow - And that is there can be no Shadow except there is Light.

If every Place is Totally dark, then you can't be talking of Shadow!

So you read in Psalms 23:4 - He said yea though I walk in the Valley of the Shadow of Death, I will fear no evil.

Why? For though art with me,

Who is this Fellow that he said was with him?

Malachi 4:2 calls Him "The Sun of Righteousness".

When the Sun of Righteousness is near, it is only then that you can see Shadows.

When you look at the Story of a Man in John 5: 2-9 - It tells you the Story of a Man who has been Sick for 38 years, lying on the Ground and forsaken by everybody.

And all of a sudden, while he was lying down on the Ground; he saw a Shadow cast over him. When he lifted up his eyes, he saw the Sun of Righteousness.

Because Malachi 4:2 says that the Sun of Righteousness shall arise with Healings in His Wings.

When he looked up and saw the Lord Jesus Christ, it wasn't long after that, that he was on his feet going to the House of God to rejoice and to give Thanks.

The Mad Man of Gadara thought that he was going to die a Mad Man until suddenly the Sun of Righteousness came and the Shadow of the Almighty God fell upon him and his Freedom came.

You see, that is why I want to make an Invitation.

You see in Psalms 91:1; the Bible says that He that dwelleth in the Secret Place of the Most High, shall abide under the Shadow of the Almighty.

You want to abide under His Shadow - The Shadow of the Most High, the Almighty? Then you have to dwell or come or accept His Invitation.

Because the Invitation has been there and it will always remain there.

He said: Come unto me all ye that Labour and are Heavy Ladened and I will give you rest.

And I will conclude by reminding some of you about my own Personal Salvation.

I. Before I gave my Life to Jesus Christ, I thought that I was a Clever Boy - I was already a Lecturer at the University of Lagos and I thought that I knew quite a bit.

Like I always tell People - Fools don't get Degree in Mathematics. A Fool might be able to maneuver himself in other Subjects, but not in Mathematics because you either know the answer or you don't.

II. I was a Sportsman but Malaria will knock me down at least once in two (2) weeks.

III. I was earning a Good Salary as a Lecturer - At least compared to other People and because I was afraid of the Traffic in Lagos, I employed a Driver.

I will Pay him his Salary at the beginning of the Month but by the middle of the Month, I will be borrowing Money from my Driver to buy fuel.

Things were hard because it is written that God has Ordained Hardship for Sinners.

IV. My File at the Maternity Center at the University of Lagos is high because as I'm recovering, my wife will take over and then my children too.

Then if you check, you will see that all of a sudden, my name did not appear in the File again.

Why? I gave my Life to Jesus Christ and I became Healthy and by God's Grace, I have been Healthy now since 1973 till today,

V. And I stopped wasting Money because in those days, you come to my house; there is no drink that you won't find there because I have all manners of friends - Some of which are Sailors.

When my Colleagues come to visit - They will come and say we can't Pass in front of the house of a King without Greeting the King and so they will come to drink,

And then, I became Born Again - When they come and I say: What do you want? They will say you know our Stuffs now - "Whisky on The Rocks"; "Four Fingers" etc.

I will say that I am sorry, I don't have that anymore. Do you want Coke or Fanta.

They will say what kind of rubbish is this? And all my friends disappeared and God replaced those friends with Brothers and Sisters and now, I have them in Millions.

DMC NOTES: "Four Fingers" is named after an unfortunate accident - The 1205 Distillery Four Finger Series commemorates the literal blood, sweat, and tears that went into building this company. On September 29th 2014, our Distiller and owner, Brad, was cutting a piece of wood for a door of our Distillery and cut his hand instead. This accident resulted in him losing his pinky and the knuckle of his ring finger. Unfortunately, the Doctors were unable to save the pinky, but the circumstance resulted in a fantastic name for a Whiskey series. Let's raise a glass of your favorite "Four Finger Whiskey" to Brad's finger.

You come under His Shadow, everything will Change!

ALTAR CALL

So, I'm inviting you - You want to give your Life to Jesus Christ, you want to come under the Shadow of the Almighty; I will count from one (1) to ten (10). Before I say ten (10); Please come and Stand before us here so that we can Pray for the Salvation of your Soul. I'm counting now!

And if you used to be under His Shadow before - You are Born Again before and now, you have backsliden; you better return to Him today. You can join these People too.

Now, those of you in front, and those that are still running; cry to the Almighty God and say: Father, Please save my Soul, forgive all my sins as I want to come under the Shadow of Your Wings.

The rest of us, Please let us Stretch our hands towards these People and Intercede for them - That the One who save our Souls will save their own Souls also. Pray that God will have Mercy on

them.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION

Almighty God, I want to Thank You very, very much for Your Words.

I want to Thank You for those People who has decided to come so that they can be under the Shadow of Your Wings.

Father, Please remember Your Promise that whosoever will come unto You, You will no wise cast out. They have come now:

Father Please receive them, have Mercy on them, let Your Blood wash away their sins, save their Souls, receive them into the Family of God, and give them a Brand New Beginning.

And from now on, anytime they Call on You, Please answer them by Fire.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

SPECIAL LIGHT UP PRAYERS

Brethren, we are about to Pray a Prayer and we are about to do it by Faith!

If you have your Mobile Phone, I want you to Switch it on - Put the Light on.

You are going to Pray the Prayer with that Light lifted up:

1. You are going to cry to the Almighty God and say: Father, I want to dwell under the Shadow of Your Wings, Please send Your Light.

Go ahead and talk to the Lotd.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

2. And then you will Pray this 2nd Prayer with all your Might:

You say: Father, send your Light into my Life, into my Family, into my Busineas, into my Ministry - Father, send Your Light,

Go ahead and talk to the Lotd.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

3. Then you are going to cry unto Him and say: Father, Thank You for sending Your Light, don't let my Light ever go out.

Go ahead and talk to the Lotd.

Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Now I will Pray for you and you have one more Prayer to Pray:

- If you are Sick, God will send Light that will bring your Healings.
- if you are Poor, He will send His Light.
- If you are Lonely, He will send His Light.
- If you are Barren, He will send His Light.
- If you are under the Yokes of the Enemies, He will send His Light.

CLOSING PRAYER

My Father and my God, I want to Thank You tonight - Thank You because there cannot be a Shadow except there is Your Light.

Tonight I decree into the lives of everybody here Lord or reading now on the Label of DMC: Send Your Light into their bodies, send Your Light into their Brains, send Your Light into their Homes, send Your Light into their endeavours, send Your Light into their Businesses, send Your Light into their Ministries, send Your Light into their Past, send Your Light into their Present, send Your Light into their Future, send Your Light Forever Oh Lord, send Your Light and don't let their Lights ever go out.

Thank You my Father and my God. Glory be to Your Holy Name.

In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

Well, wave the Lights and let's make the devil Mad!

And then you Pray one Final Prayer!

Lift your Lights up and say: Father, in the Mighty Name of Jesus, let me Shine for You,

Go ahead and talk to the Almighty God!!

THE REACH FOR CHRIST UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN CHRISTIAN FAMILY
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THEME: THE EVERLASTING ARM

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BIBLE TEXT: DEUTERONOMY 33:27

SONG

The Steadfastness of the Lord never ceaseth
His Mercy never come to an end
They are New every Morning
New every Morning,
Great is Thy Faithfulness O LORD
Great is Thy Faithfulness.

OPENING PRAYER

Ancient of Days we Worship You. We are all saying Good Morning to You.

Lord Thank You for Your Mercy. It is of Your Mercy that we are not Consumed.

Thank You that the Mercy is renewed everyday. Accept our Worship in Jesus' Name.

Faithful God, this Morning in Your own Miraculous Way reach out to all of us. That which we don't know my Father and my God, reveal unto us.

At the end of everything let Your Name be Glorified.

In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen.

Shake hands with four (4) People say: Good Morning, God Bless You!

Please, be seated.

Good Morning to everybody. I wasn't expecting a crowd - I thought to be here by 6:00am at least you must have been up my 5:00am. I didn't know People are so interested in God that they wake up at 5:00 am on a Campus.

The Lord that you have come to seek early, you will find Him - Amen.

Deuteronomy 33:27

The Eternal God is thy Refuge, and Underneath are the Everlasting Arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.

When I was a "Baby Christian" - And I am still a "Baby Christian". It is just that one baby is older than another.

I had some very serious Questions - A lot! Probably because I come from the Academic World. And at the time I got Born Again I was already doing my PhD Program.

I had Questions that the Pastors could not answer; Questions that even if I asked them they Probably would have kicked me out of the Church, thinking that "Too much learning has made this one mad."

Questions like, "Is it true that God knows the End from the Beginning?"

And if the answer is Yes, "did He know that Adam and Eve will eat the forbidden fruit?"

Because, if He knows the End from the Beginning, then surely He should know these things in advance.

"If He knew that they will eat the forbidden fruit why did He Plant it."

... You don't ask Pastors those kind of Questions (laughs). t

Then, "if they ate the fruit that He knew they would eat before they ate it and He Planted it, while quarrel with them for doing what You know they were going to do, you knew they were going to do?"

You know those kind of Questions.

By now you yourself would be thinking, "is this man sane?"

Like: In the beginning God made the Heaven and the Earth. And then we went further to read, Heaven is His Throne:

Where was God before He made the Heaven and the Earth?

Where was He sitting before He made that Throne?

You can't blame me for asking Questions - I just wanted to know. I wasn't querying God; I brought my Academic Mind with me when I came to the Lord.

And He did not slap me for asking those Questions - He knew that this boy is not querying me, he just wants to know more.

Later on, I was to learn that, they who do know their God shall be Strong and they shall do Exploits.

So you are Welcome this morning!

Answer to one of those Questions I asked in those days, that is connected with the Everlasting Arms - And the Question was, "How Big is God?"

You know, in those days we sang a Song:

How Great is our God?
How Great is His Name?
He's the Greatest God
And for ever the same
He Parted the Waters of the Mighty Red Sea
He said "I will lead you"
Only trust in me.

... And they don't sing it nowadays - That is a Song you should not forget.

How Great is He? How Big is this God that I am supposed to now trust the rest of my Life into His hands Completely?

Because, when they say Surrender your Life to the Lord Jesus Christ, I understand that word 'Surrender' to mean, "Let go everything."

So, I began to ask Questions: How Big (Size wise) is God?

How high is the Most High?

How tall is God ?

And I discovered Scientifically that, if you want to know how tall a man is, all you need to do is let him be spread Eagle-Like against a wall. And measure the distance between his index finger from the right to the index finger on the left.

Measure that distance - That is the height accurately.

So, if we are talking of someone with Everlasting Arms, then you begin to have a rough idea who this God is.

Deuteronomy 10:17 shows me Clearly, I am not the first Person to ask the Question, "How Great is Our God?" Because, when you know how big a Person is, then you have a rough idea, how big his Weapons can be.

The Weapons of Goliath is not like that of an "Ordinary Soldier".

You know the Story in 1 Samuel 17:4-7 - When they were describing the spear of Goliath they said it is like a weaver's beam.

A lot could also be determined by what you are holding in your hand - The hand may be small but what is the hand holding?

When you read Exodus 4:1-20, when Moses had that encounter he had with God, he started up with the rod of a Shepherd in his hand. By the time he was going to Egypt he was carrying the Rod of God in his hand.

A lot had Changed!

The rod of a Shepherd cannot open the Red Sea. The Rod of God can do quite a lot!

A King is not a King until they give him the Staff of Office - I'm sure you understand.

But then, "How much can this God hold?"

Isaiah 40:12 says, He measures the waters in the Palm (hollow) of His hand - All the Ocean is just in the hollow of his hand.

If He can hold the entire Ocean in His hand, I don't think I am "Too Big" for Him to carry.

1. For example, How Big are His EARS?

Psalms 65:2 says, O thou that hearest Prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

Somebody who can hear the Prayers of everybody in the whole world, at the same time; the ears must be a little bigger than mine.

2. How Big are His EYES?

Hebrews 4:13 tells me there is nothing hid from his eyes.

That means He simultaneously sees everything that has happened and is happening all over the world at the same time.

That tells me well, I guess I am Pretty secured that wherever I am going, His Eyes Are watching."

3. How big are His Nostrils? What kind of Nose has this God?

Exodus 15:8 says, when He breathed in anger, the sea opened.

That must be a sizeable Nose!

4. How Long are His Legs?

Isaiah 66:1 - Thus saith the LORD, The Heaven is my Throne, and the Earth is my Footstool:

The leg that can Stretch from Heaven to Earth must be Pretty long legs!

By the time I put all these together and I look at some of the things that He has done, considering for example;

- Not only that the Arms are long, they can reach into the fiery furnace and bring out the Hebrew boys - You know the Story in Daniel 3

- That His legs can reach the Den of Lions and shut the mouth of Lion saying, "don't touch my boy."

That His eyes, according to 2 Chronicles 16:9 says, For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole Earth, to shew himself Strong in the behalf of them whose heart is Perfect toward him.

When I understood this, I began to breathe easily.

Don't forget, there was a time I was running from forces in my Village.

I mean, I have seen raw demonstrations of what you could call Powers of Darkness.

... Can I trust this God to take care of those People for me?

If His eyes are running to and fro, surely his eyes that are running will be faster than the enemy -
The roaring Lion walking about seeking whom to devour.

Because the One who is running is going to arrive sooner than the one who is walking.

His Ears are such that He can hear the cry of the whole Earth.

And according to Jonah 2 (The whole Chapter) - He can hear you even when you are calling inside a whale.

And I know He can hear me anywhere I may be - Amen.

And with those Mighty Legs Oh! I understand that when He Stands the Earth trembles!

With that height - The One who is Higher than the highest;

I can understand Psalms 68:1-3, that if God can just arise - What will happen to His enemies?
They would scatter!

Why would they scatter? Because they see Someone who is Bigger than the biggest.

I am just trying to explain to you some of the reasons why by His Grace, I have the kind of Faith that cannot be shaken.

Because, if only you know how Big your God is, you will never fear again.

If you know how Big the One Supporting you is, when He says to you, "I am going to do this thing"; you will be a fool to try to think "how can He do it?"

It was when I fully understood how Big He is that I realised that, if all of sudden He looks down on you tiny fellow and says, "I will do this for you"; you should go to sleep.

... He if He says He is going to do it, He has the means!

So, when I asked him to give me a little house in Mushin (DMC NOTES: A Low Earner People Community in Lagos State Nigeria) and He said, "don't ask me for a house, I have decided to build you a City."

Incredible as it may sound, this is coming from the One with the Everlasting Arms.

Let me at this Stage ask you a Question:

I. How many of you believe that your tomorrow would be alright? - The DMC FAMILY MEMBERS!

Let me hear you say Amen - Amen!

II. How many of you would stop doubting God from this moment on? The DMC FAMILY MEMBERS!

Let me hear you say Amen - Amen!

However, in as much as He is as well equipped as He is, there are Challenges:

- Where can I hide from Him?

- Can I ever outrun Him?

David said in Psalms 139:7-10, Whither shall I go from thy Spirit? Or whither shall I flee from thy Presence?

God is chasing you and you think can escape. You must be a Joker!

David said, If I take the wings of the Morning, and dwell in the uttermost Parts of the sea; He will reach out there and say, hey Boy! Come out here.

I mean, Jonah was running; God said go to the right, he decided to go to the left - Funny fellow!

He decided to go by sea. Remember, God holds the waters in the hollow of His hand. Remember, the wind and the sea obey Him.

So, this fellow Jonah must have been an Academic Person - He said, I will run away!

And God said, no Problems: wind blow, sea respond.

By I like Jonah - When he woke up and saw what was going on, he knew immediately who was in action.

Maybe you should ask yourself Questions: Are you going through a Storm? Who is responsible? You think God can ever fail? No! It is not Possible.

So Jonah said to the People, "I am the one causing trouble, just throw me overboard."
Immediately, the Storm ceased!

I have a Special Prayer for you this Morning, inclusive those reading now on the Label of DMC -
Whatever it is that is causing a Storm in your Life, may God reveal it to you today (Amen).

Maybe you have a Restitution to make, and the Almighty God has to create a Problem for you to
wake up and realise - Hey! I did something wrong. There is something I need to put right.

... This is a Digging Deep (Bible Study), so anything goes!

I have told you the Story of one of my Students when I was at the University of Lagos. He had
this little Problem - And the little Problem was body odour. He smelled like death.

If you are sitting next to him, within five (5) Minutes you will relocate. The Doctors had done
everything, he applied all manners of soap, lotion, Perfume, but the thing got worse.

He came for Prayers, and as I was about to Pray God said, don't Pray for him yet, he has a
Restitution to make - Small boy, a Student in the University: what Restitution?

Then I began to ask Questions, and all of a sudden he remembered - Before he came to the
University he was a Teacher in a Primary School. And the children were contributing one Kobo
each, in Preparation for their Christmas Party.

... One Kobo was big in those days.

And then he gained Admission in September and left. The children came back to School, the
Teacher had gone with their money. So they cried to God. And you know when children Pray,
God answers: "God, You know where our Teacher is. He has taken our money." And God
decided He would bring the Teacher back.

As soon as he realised that Oh! Maybe I did something wrong, he said, the Problem is Solved. I
asked if he would go back he said yes. "Do you know how much?" He said yes - Twenty seven
(27) Pennies.

I said, go back and pay the children their money. Instead of paying them in Pennies, pay them in
Shillings. He said, I will do so Sir.

He went to the School, and as soon as he arrived the children saw him, they ran out "our Teacher
has come."

Then he said to them: you remember the money you contributed? They said, how can we forget

(laughter). And he gave them a Shiling each. Oh! They were so glad. So they reported back to God!

This Young man came back to me and was asking for Prayers. God said, there is no need for him to Pray. Tell him not to drink iced water for two (2) weeks.

... God can fight you will water.

You need to know: How Big is our God? His Name is the Lord of Host. Oh! He is Love. But He is also the Consuming Fire.

Within two (2) weeks everything called smell disappeared!

That Young man today is a Bishop.

If there is anything in your Life that is causing whatever Problem you have, may God reveal it to you today - Amen.

There is a no way you can run; there is nowhere you are going that He will not see you. If you don't believe me, ask Gehazi in 2 Kings 5:20-27.

Elisha was sitting at home when Gehazi said, I will go after this Syrian and get something. And God was just showing everything to Elisha.

Elisha saw every part of the action - How the man said, why are you here? "Oh! My master sent me to go and get some things from you. Some visitors came after you left, et cetera." Even when Naaman said, I will give you double of what you are asking for.

God was even telling Elisha what Gehazi was thinking - What he would do with the money. Because he was Planning, now I am going to retire as a follower of this Man of God who doesn't want to be rich. And I am going to buy Olive yard, Vineyard, etc.

The Man of God said "where you want to build a big farm? Okay! Be a Leper and live in the bush.

You can't hide from God. He knows what you are doing - Everything. He even knows your thoughts. That's how Big He is.

You remember the Story of Anaias and his wife Sapphira, in Acts 5:1-11.

Peter wasn't there when they were Planning; but God revealed everything to Peter.

If you are doing certain things and you think God does not know; maybe He is waiting for you to

repent. Because a day would come when He would surprise you.

... You can't surprise Him, but He can surprise you.

Years ago, there was this Young man who came from a Neighbouring Country (I won't mention name).

The Boy was sweet tongued. He was going all over the Place and we thought, "here comes a Great Evangelist."

We didn't know he was a Spy from another Nation. And that the reason he became attached to the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) was because you know, we have quite a bit of spread. So it is easy to get some information from a large crowd. And he has been around for a while.

Then one day I was sitting in my office and he came, "Daddy how are you? We've done this, we've done that." And all of a sudden God said, he is a spy. I was shocked!

And so I said to him, for how long do you think you can deceive God? He said, what do you mean? "You can lie to everybody, you can't lie to the Holy Spirit. God was with you when you went to this and that Place. Have you forgotten what happened to Ananias and Sapphira?"

By now he was sweating!

So I told him, don't worry you won't die in my office.

But the Army discovered their Network and the Boy died the following week - You don't joke with Him!

When we talk about Someone who has Everlasting Arms, be careful how you deal with Him. He hears your thought. What you are thinking is even distinct from what you are saying out.

In Mark 2:1-12, when they brought in the man who was Paralysed from neck downwards, and Jesus Christ said, "son, thy sins be forgiven thee."

Those who were there, they didn't speak out (it was a thought in their hearts) "Who is this that is forgiving sins?" Jesus heard and confronted them with the information.

So, let me ask you some Questions:

1. For how long will you Pretend to be a Christian?

For how long will you sing beautiful Songs, shout the "Loudest Hallelujah" and you are not

exactly who you Pretend to be.

Think on those!

2. Don't you know that if you can't beat Him you should join Him?

If I am trying to run away from you and you are going to grab me (anyway);

If you try to dodge Him and He knows how to corner you, why don't you just join Him - Surrender to Him?

You know, I like Saul of Tarsus; the moment God knocked him down from the horse, what he said is, "what do You want me to do, Lord?" And he never looked back.

You know, he just decided to Surrender one hundred Percent (100%).

You must surrender one hundred Percent (100%) when dealing with a God Who knows your Address.

In Acts 9:10-12, when God was sending that Disciple called Ananias to go and locate Saul where he was Praying. God told him the Address accurately - "There is a man of Tarsus..." He didn't say a man of Rome.

He knows where you were born - He knows your Village. He said, "in a Street called Straight, in the house of so and so" - Because they didn't have house Numbers then.

He said, if you get to the Street called Straight, ask from the People there, "where is the house of so and so?" Because right now there, is a man waiting for you, he is Praying.

He knows your Address, he knows all those things you do behind closed doors.

I think we've reached a stage in our lives when we need to know this Truth - It will affect our Christian Life.

Particularly in this age when we don't even know who is a Child of God and who is a Pretender.

We've been hearing some Stories since the beginning of this year.

Remember, God said at the beginning of this year that the Wind is already Blowing.

And when the Wind blows, it exposes Hidden Things.

As the Elders would say, "when the wind blows you will see the anus of the hen".

And you haven't seen anything yet.

We are hearing of some very serious Secrets of Pastors, Prophets, of this and that.

And the Wind is not going to stop.

That is why you need to Clean up your acts as soon as Possible; because you have the Insider Information.

If there is anything you need to Restitute, do so quickly before the Secret comes out.

3. How Complete is your Surrender to Him?

I have one Good News, and with that I will close.

I know it's a Digging Deep, but it will end in Joy - Amen.

The One who carries the whole world in His hand can carry you - Amen.

Isaiah 46:4 says, And even to your Old Age I am he; and even to hoar hairs will I carry you: I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver you.

When He says, "I will carry you"

- That means through thick and thin.

- That means, if you find yourself in some very Unpleasant situations, He will be there to carry you.

Well, that is easier to say!

You may not know the meaning of, "He will carry you" until you need to be carried.

Not too long ago I lost my son who once told me, "there are only two (2) People I don't want to offend - God and you (Pastor Adeboye).

If you have a son like that what would you do? You would love him. And all of a sudden today he was here, tomorrow he was gone.

The last time I heard from him he said, "Daddy, we just finished our Youth Program: everything went very well. And I just want you to know, God answered your Prayers." Oh! Glory to God.

Again he said, "Daddy, Thank God in the last one year, God has helped me and my Team to Plant Thirty five (35) Parishes."

Ha! Glory be to God.

And then the next thing I heard, he was gone!

Let's be Truthful, it doesn't matter your Anointing, when you get that kind of blow, it is not easy.

I had to put up a bold face because of the Youths and Young Adults. I saw how they all were, and I had to encourage them - Swallow my own Pain and tell them, let's March on.

We Move!

But there are times that when you are alone with God you are tempted to say, why?

But then I got a Text from one of my daughters, "Daddy, let God carry you." - That turned the tide!

Let the One with the Everlasting Arms carry you - Amen.

But if He is to carry you, you have to be Clean. You cannot continue in sin and expect Grace to abound.

His Hands are Holy hands - They are Everlastingly Holy Arms.

PRAYER POINTS

There are several Prayers you should Pray today, even as you have listened to me or reading now on the Label of DMC;

1. If I have Restitutions to make, Father reveal to me.

Then give me the Grace to make them quickly before the Wind that is blowing would open my Secret to the world.

2. Give me the Grace Lord, to live a Life that is Genuine - Not hypocritical.

- A Life that will Please You all the time:

- A Life of Humility.

- A Life that will remind me that no matter how 'big' I think I am, I am absolutely Nothing

compared to the One with the Everlasting Arms.

... And then with Faith in the One who is Bigger than the biggest, Taller than the tallest, Older than the oldest, Richer than the richest, you will cry to Him;

4. Father, from this moment onward Please, carry me.

Shall we go on and Pray?

Go ahead, talk to the Almighty God:

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My God will help you!

He will hear your cry!

He will help you to correct your ways.

Where you need Grace to put things right, He will Supply the Grace.

He hears Prayers; He can hear even in the belly of a Whale.

He will hear you today, and the Wind will blow in your Favour - Amen!

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