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¹ I told those of us who are regular in the Bible study that the series we have been taking for the past three weeks is important. I told you that the whole church will need to know it too and that I will need to also teach it to the general church because so many are not able to come for the Bible study. Please we advise you, always try to get the tapes because there we have more time to look at it in a more relaxed atmosphere and we take many teachings during our Bible study, every Tuesday in the evening. Amen.

² And the reason for this topic is very obvious. So many people in Bride Assembly have caught the revelation of the need to serve God and that is good. In fact, every born again Christian MUST! It is compulsory. Every member of Christ, there must be something you must be doing for the progress of the Gospel. There just has to be something you must be doing. It is a sacrifice. You do not do it because it is convenient for you. You do it because it is demanded of you as a born-again Christian, because no member of the Body of Christ is redundant. No member of the Body is irrelevant. There is no part of the physical body – because Apostle Paul likened this physical body to the Body of Christ – that is not functional. Where one body called Moses Alu is made up of other parts that is, different members and the names of the members are the hands, the legs, the nose, the eyes, the ears, the teeth, as well as those that can be seen and unseen. All of them form this one body as 1Corinthians 12 says, “*if one part of the body suffers, the whole body suffers with it, if it is properly connected*”. Amen.

³ If the leg is injured, you start to feel pains. The head will react; you begin to have headache. Every part of the body will react. That is how it is in a proper setting, every born again member sitting here must have something to contribute. Some of it may be spiritual by way of exercise of your gift. Some of it will be physical. The least of which includes coming to a church like this to sweep and keep the place clean and ready for service or even collecting tracts to distribute.

⁴ For example, “I don’t know how to preach but I can distribute tracts. I know one of these days one of these will fall into the hand of somebody that will give his life to Christ.” It is still part of it. Or you are a busy man, you are a business man. Amen, you don’t have time to go for evangelism, you do not have time to come for night vigil, to belong to a prayer group, but that money you are making from your business can be your contribution to support the church for evangelism. So that money that you give for evangelism, to print tracts or to

preach the gospel by way of outside crusade or the television ministry is part of your impact for the progress of the gospel. Hallelujah.

⁵ However, so many of us have lost this focus and our general attention is on that aspect where we can be seen or known. Everybody wants to function only in the aspect where they can be seen or known. Among the twelve–nine gifts in 1Corinthians 12, the most coveted of all the gifts is the “*gift of prophecy*” and maybe “*healing or working of miracles, and word of knowledge*”. Something that will make men to know you are something - to identify you.

⁶ Likewise, Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Amen. OK, there is nothing bad about it. Although, Apostle Paul says you should desire those gifts but the same Apostle Paul notes in 1 Timothy 3 that “*he who desires the office of a Bishop, that is if you desire to be a pastor, he said, you are desiring a good work, but he gave the condition. You may desire it and you may not be able to fulfil the condition. If you don’t fulfil the condition, that service will not be acceptable before God*”. Therefore, there is nothing bad about you desiring to be a prophet. There is nothing bad about either desiring to be a pastor or yearning to occupy any position you in the church.

⁷ There is nothing wrong with it, but you must do it according to the scriptures. David made such a mistake and that is where we are picking our text from in 1Corinthians 13, shall we open it. If you are there, 1Corinthians Chapter 13, Hallelujah and I am reading from – I mean, sorry, 1Chronicles not Corinthians, Chronicles. I am sorry, Chronicles in the Old Testament not Corinthians. First Chronicles. Hallelujah. Chronicles is after Kings. Are we there? Can I read now? Listen to the story so that you will understand what we are talking about:

¹And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, [and] with every leader. – he consulted with them -

²And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If [it seem] good unto you, and [that it be] of the Lord our God, let us send abroad unto our brethren everywhere, [that are] left in all the land of Israel, and with them [also] to the priests and Levites [which are] in their cities [and] suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us – for what? -

³And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul.

⁴And all the congregation said that they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.

⁵So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath-Jearim. –kir- jah, zearim, jea-rim, which ever it is. Hallelujah, verse six -

⁶And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, [that is], to Kirjath-Jearim, which [belonged] to Judah, to bring up thence the ark of God the Lord, that dwelleth [between] the cherubims, whose name is called [on it]. – Because worship is acceptable only where God has chosen to place His Name. Verse 7 -

*⁷And they carried the ark of God in a new cart – take your biros and underline that first statement in your Bible, “and they carried the ark of God in a new cart,” underline it - *out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzzah and Ahio drave the cart.* – verse 8 -*

⁸And David and all Israel played before God with all [their] might, and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets. – wonderful instruments that they used -

⁹And when they came unto the threshing floor of Chidon, Uzzah put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled.

¹⁰And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzzah, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God.

¹¹And David was displeased, because the Lord had made a breach upon Uzza: wherefore that place is called Perez-Uzzah to this day - Perez-Uzzah to this day -

¹²And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God [home] to me? – underline that sentence again with your biro in your Bible. “How shall I bring the ark of God [home] to me?” underline that sentence, How shall I bring the ark of God [home] to me? -

¹³So David brought not the ark [home] to himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite.

¹⁴And the ark of God remained with the family of Obed-Edom in his house three months. And the Lord blessed the house of Obed-Edom, and all that he had.”

⁸ Praise the Lord! Chapter 15. First Chronicles Chapter 15. Let us complete that reading, verse 1:

¹And [David] made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent.

²Then David said, None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the Lord chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto him for ever.

³And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the Lord unto his place, which he had prepared for it.

⁴And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites: - go to verse 11 -

¹¹And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,

¹²And said unto them, Ye [are] the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, [both] ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the Lord God of Israel unto [the place that] I have prepared for it.

¹³For - now underline the whole of verse 13. Underline the whole of verse 13 for emphasis – For because ye [did it] not at the first, the Lord our God made a breach upon us, for that we sought him not after the due order.

¹⁴So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the Lord God of Israel.

¹⁵And the children of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their shoulders with the staves thereon, as Moses commanded according to the word of the Lord.”

⁹ May the Lord add blessing to that reading. I know even if I do not preach at all, you have caught the message. We are looking at the topic, “The Due Order”. “The Due Order”.

¹⁰ David has just been anointed King of Israel and trying to set the nation in order because you can say – you can see that throughout the days of Saul, (that is one of the reasons God was very angry with Saul), Israel stopped inquiring from the Lord using the Ark.

¹¹ The Ark of God is where God has chosen to place His name among the cherubs. It is only where He has chosen to place His name that any sacrifice will be accepted. Moreover, for a

revealed king of Israel like David, he found it necessary to bring the ark. Therefore, his motive was right. He was sincere but as sincere, as he was, he went about it the wrong way. Like I said, if you see where I said you should underline, that is, verse 12 of 1 Chronicles Chapter 13, the first thing David was supposed to do, he did not do it. Verse 12 says:

“And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God [home] to me?”

¹³ How? It is ok. It is a good thing. It is scriptural. It is the perfect will of God that the ark should be in Israel, however, before bringing it – it is not an ordinary piece of wood- there is a law concerning that ark. Anything pertaining to the worship of God, there is a laid down procedure somewhere.

¹⁴ Remember, Moses had already been given – after all, he was the one who was given the specification for the ark. He built the ark and he laid down the law for everything including the construction of the ark and how the ark should be carried. Instead, David felt he should go along with all the important people that he felt were the big, big, big people around to carry the ark of the Lord. David went to the wrong place for his consultations. In 2 Samuel 6, it’s recorded that they were 30,000 men. Thirty thousand of them that went to carry that ark. Thirty thousand men went and were jubilating because they knew the importance of that ark in the land of Israel.

¹⁵ That is the symbol of the presence of God. It is the symbol of His covenant with Israel. 30,000! Imagine a church that has 30,000 members. That is a mega church and we have so many mega churches today attempting to carry the ark of God. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Thirty-thousand people were all jubilating; they went and carried the ark this time around with a new anointing, with a new idea. Church, I am preaching the End-Time Message and the End-Time Message came to open our eyes to see the error that the devil has injected and taken over the church of the Jesus Christ.

¹⁶ The End-Time Message is a message of restoration to bring us back to the Bible way of doing everything that pertaineth to salvation. That is what the end-time message is. And if you’re sitting down here to be part of this great and final move of God before the rapture, it is important that you open your ears and hear what we tell you here. That there is no new anointing as far as the gospel of salvation is concerned. He is the same yesterday, today and

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forever. The same anointing that came on the day of Pentecost that began the church is the same anointing that will gather us home in the rapture. Oh, blessed be the name of the Lord!

¹⁷ Apostle Paul warned us that no other foundation can anyone lay than what has already been laid. As such, the apostles are those that laid the foundation for the building of the church of Jesus Christ. As Ephesians 2 verse 20 says, “*We are built upon the foundation of the Apostles.*” This Bible is the foundation. It teaches us. It gives us our bearing. It gives us the specification of what we should do, how we should do and what we should not do as far as it pertains to salvation.

¹⁸ If you are gathering as a group of people because you have chosen to follow the God of Israel, that came to the Gentiles with grace to pick up a group of people for Himself called the Bride of Jesus Christ, then you better open your eyes and listen. Church, it is not everyone that is carrying Bible, speaking in tongues, dancing in the Spirit, performing miracles, signs and wonders that will go in the rapture.

¹⁹ If you can catch that revelation, then you will understand why Apostle Peter said, be diligent to make your calling and election sure. Because many are called but few, few, few are chosen. Few will make it. That you are right with God is not determined by how large your church is. That you are right with God is not determined by the anointing that is upon you. I say this because these are the areas you must guard against so that the devil does not deceive you to think you are right with God because of these things. “A lot of testimonies take place when I minister. There is healing. There is deliverance. When I give prophecy, it comes to pass therefore I cannot be wrong.”

²⁰ There is a due order for doing things. David took the ark of God and designed it his own way – his own system, a more beautiful system than what Moses wrote down and then brought an animal. Listen, Church! He brought an animal to carry the ark. Today animals are carrying the ark – the ark of the gospel.

²¹ The gospel today is being preached by animals. How? Serpent seeds are preaching the gospel. Now, now, now. The gospel had been at Abinnadab’s house. Amen, Amen. And when it was time, I don’t know if God will open somebody’s ears to understand the depth of what we are saying. Ahio and Uzzah, they are the two sons of Abinadab, giving us a perfect picture of churches that are run by families.

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²² They were the two in front, one of them was driving the ox – sitting down and directing the ox. Telling it where to go and the other one was moving around because the road is rough thereby make sure that the business does not scatter. He was in charge of administration. Praise God. Praise the Lord. Hallelujah.

²³ Then 30,000 Jews were dancing with all manner of instruments. Imagine that type of revival, suddenly with all that type of revival they needed to know that God was not there. What did God do? He caused the cart to stumble because they were carrying it wrongly. They were carrying it wrongly, church. That is not how God has ordained it to be. And what will they do? They didn't know that it was the angel of God that moved the cart to fall down and Uzzah decided to help so that the ark will not fall down and scatter. He put his hand there and God smote him. The man died there. It was when it happened that David knew what was wrong. Then they had to take the ark and keep it in the house of Obed-Edom and then David now went back and began to inquire.

²⁴ Now, David went to the right place to make inquiries. He went to a wrong place for consultation before but now his eyes were now clear. What did he find out? He found out in the books written according to the Law, that only the Levites were to carry the ark. And there were supposed to be four of them – two in front, two behind with staves, sticks that he used in holding and carried it on their shoulders and everything there, the staves, the Levites – everything about it has to do with something about the gospel today. That is the order it was supposed to be carried and God was not going to change that order, “***I am the Lord, I change not***”. Because everything he does, there is a meaning to it but not too many people are aware of that. Before they realised the truth, somebody was already dead. Ah, blessed be the name of the Lord! Blessed be the name of the Lord! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

²⁵ It is true and we can learn a lot from this story, David made that statement and they found out that they had that breach. They lost one soul because they did not do it according to the due order, according to the due order. There is a due order, an acceptable order of serving God. That is my emphasis here, so that you can end up with you reward because nobody serves the Lord and goes empty handed.

²⁶ There is the judgement seat of Christ after the rapture, every one of us will be rewarded. Some receive their reward even while they are alive now, here, now. Some, God will purposely wait to see how long you can endure because if the reason for serving God is for what you will get from Him, God can purposely decide to ignore you. Because serving God is

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not a contract. It is compulsory. It is not a contract. “Let me serve God so this will happen”, No! I love Him because he first loved me and purchased my salvation on the cross of Calvary; not that I love him because he promised He will give me a crown, although the promise is there, but we revealed Christians, we serve him because we love him, we serve him not because of what he promised to do for us. We serve him for what we know he has done for us.

²⁷ Therefore, it is necessary that you know how to serve this God because Matthew Chapter 7 says that “*on that day, says, not many – not all that say Lord, Lord, Lord shall enter into the kingdom*”. Verse 21 of Matthew Chapter 7 says, “*many at that day*” – at which day? There is a day of reckoning – at that day, many will come and say, was it not in your name we did this, we cast out devils, we did all the crusade, did this, He tells you, “*I never knew you. Get thee away from me, ye that work iniquity*”. This is a horrible situation for a man or a woman that dedicated his life or her life serving God with the whole of his or her heart, with the whole of his or her effort only to discover that God was not interested in all you were doing. That is why He said there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

²⁸ I am talking to those who have made up their mind to serve this God. I am talking to those who are making sacrifices every day for the advancement of the gospel and from what I want to say now, that you take an inward look at what you are doing and see if you are doing it according to due order – the order that has been set for it. Oh, blessed be the name of the Lord! Blessed be the Name of the Lord! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Because we have the Pentecostal revival that is going on now as an example in this age of Pentecostalism. There is no age that you will see all manner of anointing in the whole seven church ages like this Laodicean church age. The Seventh church age - the last church age. There is no age where you will see, miracles, signs & wonders happening everywhere.

²⁹ Churches are now counting their members and branches by the thousands and hundreds of thousands. This is the age where some churches in Nigeria here are richer than some states in Nigeria. Amen. There are churches that have property within and outside Nigeria. Amen. Hallelujah. Amen. And every member of that church is proud of the revival that is going on in the church; in this Laodicean Church age.

³⁰ I read in the newspaper where the bishop of a church was saying that their budget for that year, I mean, their budget for every year is Six Billion Naira. That is what they spend every year for their budget. Six Billion Naira! You are talking of property, ownership of property?

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There are some churches that own lands, property, and estates that are bigger than even government owned lands, bigger than your village. In fact, a whole village or a local government put both of them together, the size of all the local governments together, e no reach one land in one location that a particular church even has. Oftentimes you hear them bragging telling you in every street that they have five branches on every street in Nigeria.

³¹ So there is a lot of revival going on. Their members when they hold crusade, the whole city stands still. One stadium cannot contain them. The people on the overflow are more than the people inside the stadium. Hundreds of thousands of people follow them. One church say their mission is to have how many billion members, 10 Billion, members, that is his ambition. Amen. I want you to note that church did not say they want to have 10 billion converts to Christ but they want to have Ten billion members to the church.

³² Now, now, that is a wonderful revival going on. But while that is going on, like David was dancing and going, 30,000 were dancing, what was the testimony as they were carrying that ark and going? God was not there! As it is now concerning this age, see what the Holy Spirit spoke concerning this Laodicean age.

³³ Revelation chapter 3, Revelation chapter 3, see, message to the last church age, from verse 14, Revelation chapter 3 verse 14 is speaking of the generation that we are in now. In our message about the seven churches in Asia, the seven church ages, we'll explain to you what that means. You can get that on our tapes. Verse 14, Revelation chapter 3,

¹⁴And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, - that is the finality of God is Christ Jesus. - the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

¹⁵I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

¹⁶So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. – You just imagine. First and foremost, you are hearing of new anointing, revival fire, Holy Ghost Congress, Holy Ghost this, all manner of this, and yet God looks at this age, see television programs all over, American preachers, Mega festivals, all manner of names given, people gathering every day. Upon all that one, God is looking at them that you are lukewarm, that you are neither cold nor hot. That is their spiritual condition. Now, now, see verse 17 -

¹⁷*Because thou sayest, I am* – what? ... Are we together? – *Because thou sayest, I am rich*, - this is the age of prosperity - *and increased with goods, and have need of nothing*; - that is the gospel that is preached these days in churches. Amen. While you are saying that, you are rich, you are increased in goods, you have need of nothing, all you need you have it. But He said, - *and knowest not* – this is the condition now - *that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:*”

³⁴ If you respect this Bible. If this Bible is your final destination concerning the Word of God, then this thing should shock you to see that despite all the revival that is going on, the spirit of the Lord is looking at this age and saying, “*They are wretched, they are miserable, they are poor, blind and naked*”. But not for the Bride, it is for the church. There is the church and there is the Bride.

Our eyes of understanding, He has opened up at last.

³⁵ Now, now, if our eyes of understanding he has opened up at last, you know he is not talking to the Bride. Amen and Amen. Oh, blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Hallelujah. They have all manner of doctrines. Bible schools everywhere, schools of theology everywhere – all manner of programs. Mark Chapter 7 Verse 7, Matthew Chapter 15 Verse 7 read it up to Verse 9. The Lord Jesus Christ turned and looked at them and the same spirit is talking now. He said, “*In vain do they worship Me*”, In vain do they worship Me, why? He said, “*Teaching for doctrine commandments of men*”. That is not the order. Do not come to church and use your idea to preach, No! It will not be acceptable. David do not use your idea to carry the ark, No! It will not be acceptable. Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be the name of the Lord. Hallelujah.

³⁶ The same thing. You want to come before the Lord? Before you begin to offer any sacrifice to God, go back and find out, how is this thing to be done? Cain and Abel offered sacrifices to the Lord. Abel’s sacrifice was accepted while Cain’s sacrifice was rejected. Why? Because Abel did it according to due order but Cain did it according to his own idea. And your own idea will never be acceptable before God. Because God has a program and He did not hold meeting with any man before starting the program and He does not need the help of any man to continue with the program.

³⁷ All wisdom belongs to Him none can teach Him wisdom. Do not bring your own idea. Worship Him the way He has laid down you should worship Him. Serve Him the way he has

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laid down. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. Hallelujah. The way He has laid down that people should serve Him.

³⁸ Now, now, now, for any sacrifice to be acceptable before God, there are 5 MUSTs – Conditions. Let us see if we can take one now. We cannot finish the 5 today, but I'm sure we can take one before we close.

³⁹ The first condition is sacrifice; that service you are offering, must be according to His word that has been spoken, if you are writing it down, it must be according to His word that has been spoken.

⁴⁰ If not, if you do anything contrary, it will not be accepted. And I have so many examples I can give. Let me tell you some. Moses for instance, he was to lead the children of Israel, they got to a point where they were thirsty, Amen. It got to a point where they were very thirsty and this is very important, very, very, important and I should not rush this message because everyone here sitting down here today wants to serve God. So many people here want to serve God – if I may just say it so. Men and women want to serve God.

⁴¹ Moses was told when he went to intercede, we know the story. What was he to speak to that rock? I mean, what was he to do to that rock? He was to strike that rock and water will come out. Who told him to do it? God Himself, the spoken word from God. Thus saith the Lord, He heard Him clearly and he is not to do – if he had gone and done any other thing, water will not come out, it will not be acceptable by God. Even if you do it anyhow and then water came out that is not how God told you to do it, God will not be pleased with it. He was to use that his stick and strike the rock.

⁴³ And they drank and there was revival. That example is very good today for every pastor that is anointed. As a preacher or minister that is anointed, you go to the mountain you fast so that the people will give their lives to Christ and you come back serving God and you do a lot of things in the demonstration of your power that genuinely people give their lives to Christ. There are so many people sitting down here, you gave your life to Christ and you received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. See, I am speaking to revealed people. I am choosing my language carefully. I hope you people understand me. I am speaking the language of the Bride. I said. I did not say, I said, “you gave your life to Christ AND you received the Holy Ghost”.

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⁴⁴ You can give your life to Christ and may not receive the Holy Ghost. It is not everybody that comes to the altar that receives the Holy Ghost. So do not assume that, “they made altar call, then I took off, then I went to the altar, then the man of God said, all of you that came out you see, now you are born again”. You are not born again o like that. It is good. But it starts from coming to the altar. But many are called through the altar call, but few are chosen. Those who are chosen, they give them the Holy Ghost. He, God, will give you the Holy Ghost. So, when you come out, that is your step. Although he said, if you come out, he will in no way cast you away but he will know who he is talking to. He is not talking to everybody. He is talking to that predestined seed and when you come out, He will give you.

⁴⁵ Now, I said, you may have received the Holy Ghost in a ministry pastored by a woman or jointly co-pastored by a man and his wife and genuinely you received the Holy Ghost there. It is possible. Moses struck the rock and water came out and there was revival because that is how God said he should do it. But after some time, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, after some time, as the journey went on, those same group of people became thirsty again and Moses went before the Lord, Listen church, Amen.

⁴⁶ The reason why the ark of God was in Israel and the reason why there was always a prophet in the land of Israel is so that each time you want to go out you must find out – inquire first. You do not just, because this is how it happened yesterday, therefore I will move again like that again today. Ehn, ehn, it is not allowed like that. You must always go back and confirm first from Him.

⁴⁷ That is why I tell the prophets, I tell you that have the gift of the word of knowledge. I say, “sometimes, somebody will come, somebody will come, you will see a revelation for somebody, who is sick, and then the Lord will say, you will hear it clearly, “give him, consecrate water for him to drink”. What is his problem? He is suffering from a stomach problem. And then you hear it, you send for pure water, he consecrates it and drinks it. And then the sickness goes. That does not mean that anytime somebody has stomach trouble and comes to you, you will consecrate water and give the person. If you are truly a prophet you have the ability to hear from God concerning each problem and each person that faces you, wait and hear from God what is the solution. If not, you will be speaking presumptuously and God is not obligated to honour your own word. He is only obligated to his own word that he has spoken. Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be the name of the Lord.

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⁴⁸ And so many people give revelation like that. You see a problem, instead of you to wait on the Lord, Lord what is the solution for this one, you saw it, ah, ah, ah, you are travelling abroad? Ehn? I see you, the Lord said you are travelling abroad, ehn, ehn, and because the former person that went he wore my suit and he went and then he got a visa and travelled, you too you wan go abroad?, he say, ehn, ha, I'm going to give you my suit. Hey, hey, he will wear that suit and go there they no go even let am enter the embassy. Then he will come back and then you are saying, "ah ah, but why, why is God doing me like this? Ah ah?" then you are wondering what is happening.

⁴⁹ Did God tell you so? Now, now, if you are operating a gift of faith, even a gift of faith does not act presumptuously. The gift of faith – every gift is a supernatural action, taking place around you. Even you, that you did not see any vision, you did not hear any voice, but you have the gift of faith, how do you know? There is a boldness that will come upon you. And you know this is not a normal boldness. Something comes upon you, then you say, "Go! This will happen, I say go this will happen", that "go this will happen" is a gift. It unction by the Holy Spirit and you are thinking that it is you talking.

⁵⁰ Ok, make them wake you from sleep now, ehn, you dey sleep or your wife slap you that afternoon and you never recover and then you are there, you are not in the spirit o. You are there busy crying, "I don't know why God give me this type of woman" then your phone ring. Then, ehen, "I'm going to the embassy. Remember when you were under anointing last week, when that man called you he said, do you believe me to be a servant of the Lord? Yes, go they will give you that!

⁵¹ Then, now, now, you are not in the same frame of mind o you are not under the same grace o. Then somebody is calling you now. E no know say you dey fight with your wife for house o. Then he now call you now say, "ehen ehen hello", then he say, "prophet, ah, pastor, I went to -I am going to, I am going now, I am on my way to the embassy, ehn, you say I should call you when I am about to go". Then you say, "ehen, ehen go, you will get the visa, you hear? Ehn go, go, then you cut call". Let him go like that now. Go like that and you too person is praying for you, you should be sensitive enough to know if this person is praying in the spirit or not. Observe if he is making this pronouncement in the spirit or not.

⁵² If you go like that, it will never work because you are going according to a man's word. But listen church, Moses struck the rock, water came out. The second time, when he went, why did he go again? Why did he not just take the stick without going to pray? He still went

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to pray church; you can learn something from there. He went back to pray and God told him, this time around, what he should do? Speak to the rock. He is now to exercise the power of the spoken word.

⁵³ And people do not know. 1 Corinthians Chapter 10 says “*Jesus Christ is that rock*”. That is, Jesus Christ is a type of that rock. He has been smitten once on the cross of Calvary. He conquered death, conquered flesh, conquered everything through the cross. He cannot be smitten again. Blasphemy of the Holy Ghost is sin that is not forgiven here nor forgiven hereafter. That is the reason why no matter how friendly Moses was with God, no matter how close he was, He refused to forgive him. He said, “*you are dying, you are not entering that place*” Why? “*You struck the rock instead of speaking to the rock*”. You cannot smite the rock a second time.

⁵⁴ That is what Hebrews Chapter 6 tells us, if you read it from Verse 4. It is impossible for those who have known the Grace of God, tested of the good word that is to come. You have been partaker of this anointing, you see vision, you pray for people, people receive healing, you yourself you once had HIV and God healed you contrary to medical report. Evidence that this Jesus Christ is real – by “*His stripes we are healed*”.

⁵⁵ Then after that you begin to live a useless life. Fornicating up and down, lying up and down, putting the name of the Lord to shame. The Bible says, “*it is impossible for that person to be renewed again*”. Why? You are crucifying the son of man afresh by that action. By that action, you are putting Him to open shame again. Moses went in anger, using your weakness. I have preached that before that Moses went contrary to what God told him.

⁵⁶ Now but the emphasis you have to note there is the people were following David and were rejoicing, while they were rejoicing, they did not know what had happened. Somebody died. After Moses also struck that Rock, you would have expected that water will not come out, but water still came out. Church, I have been saying this before because if you are anchored in this revelation, you will not be tossed about by every wind of doctrine.

⁵⁷ Church, Moses did the wrong thing but water came out. The people drank the water and there was revival, restoration, jubilation in the camp of Israel, but while they were there rejoicing, death sentence was over Moses. Why? He did not do it according to the due order. Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be the name of the Lord. Hallelujah.

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⁵⁸ The same thing for our salvation now. There is the due order for salvation. You want to go to heaven? There is a step that you will follow. What is the due order? Peter was given the keys to heaven by the Lord Jesus Christ in Matthew Chapter 16 and that key was applied first in the house of Cornelius. OK. First, was on the day of Pentecost. Second, in the house of Cornelius.

⁵⁹ What is the key to the Kingdom? The key to the Kingdom is in Acts Chapter 2 verse 38. The first thing you do when you come to God, because in Verse 37, they asked him after he preached, men and brethren what shall we do concerning this salvation that you have preached? Peter answered them; Repent, First. I have said this before on a Tuesday here and, the second step, be baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins, then the third step, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost which is eternal life – the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

⁶⁰ Now what is the due order? The First thing is Repent first, but church in this ministry people do not repent and they enter water. You do not repent and you enter water and you go and be baptized. Why did you go for water baptism? You have jumped the first step, you are not following the due order and that is why your water baptism has not affected your life in any way.

⁶¹ Apostle Paul in Acts Chapter 19, If you read it from verse 1, saw those group of Christians coming, he met them on the road, and there was something he saw. Certainly, there was something Apostle Paul saw. Look at people carrying Bible. Look at people speaking in tongues on the street and holding Bible but look at their women, they are wearing trouser, ah ah, look at their women, they painted their face, perm their hair, put these funny funny attachment, put this witchcraft nails and they are there speaking in tongue with naked body on the street and they are going. Where are they going? We are from a revival. Apostle Paul looked at them ... Are you believers? They say aah? You are asking us if we are believers. Can't you see our Bible? Can't you see the tongues we are speaking? Tongues as evidence of the Holy Ghost? And Apostle Paul asked that question, "***Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed?***" Of course, their action shows they do not even know what the Holy Ghost is.

⁶² What is the Holy Ghost? The Holy Ghost is the ability of a man to speak in tongue. Is that the Holy Ghost? The Holy Ghost is the ability of man to see vision and cast out devils, miracles, signs and wonders, is that the Holy Ghost? That is the anointing of the Holy Ghost,

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not the Holy Ghost himself. Catch it! There is a difference between the Holy Ghost and the anointing of the Holy Ghost. The anointer is the Holy Ghost; the anointing is different from the anointer. Baptism of the Holy Ghost is the Anointer coming to live inside of you. The anointing of the Holy Ghost is God's hand coming upon you and it can come upon even an animal if He wants to use you and finish using you, you go the way is written of you. He has nothing to do with you. And many people have the anointing and think they have the anointer. How do I know? It is the same reason Apostle Paul asked, "have you been baptised since you believed? I mean, have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed? Have you received the Holy Ghost since – since you believed? It is not everywhere Apostle Paul asked that question.

⁶³ And so many people come into this ministry. The next thing you want to ask is the evidence of their call into the ministry, which is the Bible school certificate they have. Who told you that due order to be a preacher is to go to Bible school? When God calls a man, He does not send him to Bible school. Amen. Praise the Lord. Somebody needs to hear some things here. Hallelujah. No, no, no, no, no.

⁶⁴ Then in that Acts 19, Paul, asked them, unto what then were ye baptised? And they said, "ehn, na infant baptism, when I was small them baptise me", when you were small you were not baptised, you were dedicated. What you did in the Roman Catholic church was not baptism, it was child dedication and if you like use water, if you like use oil, if you like use anything as long as you dedicate that child in the name of the Lord, that child is safe in the hands of He who owns life. It is not baptism because according the due order before you are baptised, one, you must repent first. They asked, unto what then were you baptised? He said, they sprinkled water on me. Is that the due order? Amen. Hallelujah.

⁶⁵ Number one; repent. Repent first. If you have gone for water baptism, listen, every Tuesday in this ministry we baptise people here in this ministry. And if you just went for baptism for your problem to be taken away, you have done it wrongly, you only went to swim. William Branham said, "**they will enter into the water a dry sinner into the water and come out a wet sinner**" no change, nothing. Why? Because, they did not repent first! Water baptism is not for deliverance.

⁶⁶ Deliverance is only a benefit of Calvary. You have to identify with the works of Calvary first, and then other benefits will follow. He said, "**seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness**" that is what you should do. How am I to go about it? I have to say this

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because some of you do not have time to come. Even today when we close, if there is water there now and there is anybody here, you do not have time to come here on Tuesday we will baptise you. If you do not have time, phone us in advance we will put water in our baptismal pool ready for you on Sunday morning when you come, while immediately after the Sunday school when the praise and worship is going on, you will be in that pool, you will be doing praise and worship with the Holy Ghost inside water.

⁶⁷ Wash away every carnality first. That is the due order. Repent first. Repent from all your evil ways. Without holiness, no one will see God. No one, nobody will see God. I was explaining the other day that many people do not know the benefit of holiness, living a holy life. What is a Holy Life? A holy life is a life, the attempt of any man to live a life acceptable before God and the angels of God; the Bible says they are ministering spirits.

End of Part One

Part Two

⁶⁸ First Chronicles, we are continuing, this is part 2 of the message we started last week and I pray that God will just help us to finish it now. Hallelujah. And a good reader should please help us so that we can recap for those who were not here last Sunday. Who will help us? Stand up and read first Chronicles Chapter 13 and please let it be a good reader.

⁶⁹ Praise the Lord, first Chronicles 13 – from verse 1 go on,

¹“And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, [and] with every leader.

²And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If [it seem] good unto you, and [that it be] of the Lord our God, let us send abroad unto our brethren everywhere, [that are] left in all the land of Israel, and with them [also] to the priests and Levites [which are] in their cities [and] suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us:

³And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul.

⁴And all the congregation said that they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.

⁵So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath-jearim.

⁶And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, [that is], to Kirjath-jearim, which [belonged] to Judah, to bring up thence the ark of God the Lord, that dwelleth [between] the cherubims, whose name is called [on it].

⁷And they carried the ark of God in a new cart out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio drave the cart.

⁸And David and all Israel played before God with all [their] might, and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets.

⁹And when they came unto the threshing floor of Chidon, Uzzah put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled.

¹⁰And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzzah, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God.

¹¹And David was displeased, because the Lord had made a breach upon Uzzah: wherefore that place is called Perez-Uzzah to this day.

¹²And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God [home] to me?

¹³So David brought not the ark [home] to himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite.

¹⁴And the ark of God remained with the family of Obed-Edom in his house three months. And the Lord blessed the house of Obed-Edom, and all that he had.”

⁷⁰ Ok let another person read Chapter 15, Chapter 15. Praise God. Who is reading? Yes?

¹“And [David] made him houses in the city of David and prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent.

²Then David said, None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the Lord chosen to carry the ark of God, - who were those who were supposed to carry the ark? [church answers, Levites] , who were were

supposed to carry the ark? But when he went to carry the ark, who were those that carried it? The family members of Obed-Edom. It was a family business. His two children Uzzah and Ahio, they were those that carried the ark. But they were not supposed to carry the ark. Sister Chi-Chi, you no want make I know you. Sister Chi-Chi you say, how will you know if you are in the perfect will of God and not his permissive will? How will you know? This is it now, read on. Finish that reading – *and to minister unto him forever.*

³And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the Lord unto his place, which he had prepared for it.

⁴And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites:

⁵Of the sons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twenty: - go to verse eleven –

¹¹And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,

¹²And said unto them, Ye [are] the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, [both] ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the Lord God of Israel unto [the place that] I have prepared for it.

¹³For because ye [did it] not at the first, - read it again, and please if you are just joining us for the first time, you are just hearing us, let that verse 13 be underlined, let verse 13, let it be underlined. Go on verse 13 read it again – For because ye [did it] not at the first, the Lord our God made a breach upon us, for that we sought him not after the due order.

¹⁴So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the Lord God of Israel.

¹⁵And the children of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their shoulders with the staves thereon, as Moses commanded according to the word of the Lord.

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⁷¹ Thank you. Now, now, we see verse 13. Let us know the reason why what happened, happened, remember in Chapter 13 we saw that he took the ark and put it in a new cart. Now, he was sincere if I should just refresh your memory, Amen, and he was sincere, David was sincere. He has just taken over now Saul is dead. Now he has just taken over the rein of Israel as the king and the first thing he is trying to set things in order. He knows you cannot worship effectively in Israel without the ark. And then he now arranged to bring back the ark, but in bringing the ark, the act of bringing the ark is the service we are looking at. He was sincere in his motive.

⁷² Bringing the ark is perfectly the will of God. And like I said that so many of us in Bride Assembly desire to serve God. That is a good thing – I mean, that is a good desire. I quoted last week, Apostle Paul in 1 Timothy Chapter 3 says, “***He that desires the office of a bishop he desires a good work***”. It is good that you want to be a pastor. It is good that you want to be a minister of God. It is good. Hallelujah. It is good. It is a right motive but David as sincere as he was, he, in the course of going, in that revival, Thirty thousand Jews were with him dancing before the ark and they placed the ark on a cart, they prepared a beautiful vehicle that will carry it. A beautiful vehicle and the ark of god is the word of God today. This bible is the ark of God today I hope you know that. I hope you know that. Noah built an ark and what was the instruction? Only those who will come and enter that ark will be saved from the flood that was coming to destroy the world. Another flood is coming very soon and the only people that will be saved from the destruction that is coming are those who will come and enter this ark of the Word. Oh, blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

⁷³ You have to come back to the word. Only those who will come to the word. So the ark this time, hallelujah, the ark this time is the word of God. And the word of God cannot be carried anyhow. But you and I know a type of Ahio and Uzza, the family members of Abinadab, that is how the ark of God is carried today by the denominational system. Family business – it’s a man and his wife and his children are the ones carrying the ark of God and thousands of people are following him in a revival. Thirty thousand people were following David but God was not there. The ark was correct; the ark was genuine. It was the original ark given by God but there is a way you are supposed to carry it. How do I know if I am in the perfect will of God? Hallelujah. Watch and see; this is how David knew whether he was in the perfect will of God or not. While they were dancing in that revival, God is supposed to be so pleased that his glory will come down but instead somebody died, somebody died.

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⁷⁴ The ark was about to fall, Uzzah, one of those children put forth his hand to stop it from falling; unknown to him it was God trying to scatter it. And sometimes you start a ministry and the thing scatter, that is evidence you are not carrying it correctly. Hallelujah.

⁷⁵ You start a ministry, you want to fulfil your heart desire and it may be a genuine call of God upon you, genuine call you heard the voice but all that the voice will tell you, “my son I want to use you mightily to turn Lagos upside down” that voice never goes beyond that. He will leave you. If God says he wants to use you, you are not the first. You are not the first to be used. Therefore – and that is why he expects you to go back and cross check whenever God call you, what, How does he use you? What does he expect you to do?

⁷⁶ When you elect the president of Nigeria or the governor of any state before he assumes office. The fact that he has been elected and has – the electoral people, eh, INEC, declares him the governor, he does not just take off say, “now you people heard that I am governor”. All INEC does is, “you have been elected governor, you are the one returned. You are the governor”. That is all INEC will tell you. Then immediately after the election before you will assume the office there are steps you will take. You will go and swear. You will take an oath. Which oath? That you will uphold the constitution of Nigeria because you are expected to rule by the constitution.

⁷⁷ It was when somebody died that David said, let us go back to the book. Make we confirm say wetin I do na correct thing o. Amen. And when he went back to the books he discovered, hallelujah, that the correct way to carry the ark. They were right in their motive, the ark is supposed to come back to Israel, but they found out that they carried it wrongly. The ark – there is a particular way, only Levites were supposed to carry the ark and there will be four of them, two in front, two behind and they will put some sticks called a staff and hold it on their shoulder and they will move. Not a new cart. Do not try to help God. Do not modernise the gospel. Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be the name of the Lord.

⁷⁸ It is the act of modernization that has produced women preachers. Hallelujah. Amen. All manner of programs are going on today. Amen. To them, it is to win souls for Christ which is why they are organizing football competition.

⁷⁹ There is a man of God. Very anointed in this city of Lagos. He even owns a television station and I was watching his station as he was ... Now the latest he has added now is he is now organizing a football team and that through it, he will be preaching the gospel of salvation. Now, now the man wants the gospel to be spread everywhere, that is his heart's

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desire and he thinks, yes, through football since everybody likes football, then we shall use football, then all of them will come then we will give them the gospel. Amen. Hallelujah. The motive is right, but according to the Bible, when God wants to save, he has his fishing baits and among the fishing baits it does not include football. You are a fisherman; all the fishing baits he uses are in the Bible. The process of catching a fish does not include football. Picnic is not among. Seminar is not among. Hallelujah.

⁸⁰ Blessed be the name of the Lord. It is not among.

⁸¹ And David found out. He made that statement in Verse 13. He said, “*it is because we did it not according to due order at the first that is why the Lord sent a breach on us, that is why Uzzah died*” and that is why we are treating the topic, “the due order”. We are looking at the due order. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

⁸² Now, I am telling you last week we looked at it as a pattern – what is going on now. The story of David and the ark, the return of the ark to Israel; it is the same thing that we can see happening in the Church of Jesus Christ now. So that you will understand the confusion that is in Christianity and I told you, I said, a type of the Thirty thousand that were in that revival, I told you, I said, Thirty thousand were in revival, Thirty thousand. I want to look at a church that is up to Thirty thousand members at one sitting. No member was absent in that crusade.

⁸³ Every space was filled up. Thirty thousand, and imagine, they said, with harps, psalteries, all the instruments of worship, so imagine people must be falling under anointing there. People must be falling under anointing and so everybody thinks that God is with them and David was in front. Oh, **Restoration time, restoration time, taking back what the devil has stolen, restoration time.** And then, yes, it is time for restoration. New anointing, brethren there is no new anointing.

⁸⁴ There is no new anointing anywhere. The Holy Ghost does not expire. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord. You cannot have a new anointing, what you have is another anointing. And that anointing can never be of God. Anointing that does not bring you back to the word of God can never be a genuine anointing. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

⁸⁵ I want to bring it home to Bride Assembly because so many of us, so many of us desire to serve God. May God use this little exhortation to open your eyes and make sure you find the right place you are supposed to because during the night I was sharing something with the

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ministers and it is important that the church catches it too. A sister asked me a question, hallelujah, I said we have decided in this church that nobody will lead a group if he does not know the word. Hallelujah.

⁸⁶ Nobody. You say, how will I know if he has the word or not? I will call him for interview. How long have you been in the church? You are here for 3 years, 2 years or a year? If you are here for a year, I know what we have been speaking for the past one year. If you are here for 3 years, I know what we have been speaking here for the past 3 years. I know which class you are supposed to be. So, I know the *kain* question I will ask you. The truth is if you do not know the word, you will cause Uzzah to die again in Bride Assembly.

⁸⁷ Each time the leader makes a mistake there is always death that follows. David made a mistake, Uzzah died. And watch it, Hallelujah, Blessed be the name of the Lord, there is always death behind it each time you make a mistake. Somewhere David was warned not to conduct census – do not begin to count the number of Israel. And one day he jumped up, and sent his generals to go and count the people, he wants to know how many people are in Israel. They advised him ah why are you counting now? There is a reason why God said they should not count. The reason is they were a little group of people and the nations they were facing were mighty people. If Israel gets to know how many they are, they will be weakened in their faith to face those great armies.

⁸⁸ Therefore, God said, do not count because if you count it will weaken your faith but David said lai lai. One day he woke up, the bible said a demon enter his –entered him and he said, oya go and count. They counted and came back. The anger of the Lord came on Israel. How many people died? Seventy thousand Jews died that day from a pestilence that God released upon them. For that action. For that stupid action of a leader. Why? He refused to listen to the word of God. Moses, because he did not do it according to due order, all the confusion that went on, if Moses had followed them up to the promised land, the story of Israel would have been different because he did it wrongly. Instead of speaking to the rock, he struck the rock. What happened? It cost him his own life.

⁸⁹ And we have decided in this church that before you will be leader of a group you must know the Word. When the group comes together, part of the activity for that day, for that your program will include a Bible study to your group. We want to put the horse before the cart. What is the horse? The horse is the Word. You do not put the gift before the word and it

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is a grievous error when you raise up a group of people the whole attention is on the anointing, the gift. It is dangerous. It is very dangerous.

⁹⁰ Remember every gift Satan can impersonate it and when you operate the gift and you do not know the word. William Branham put it this way, he said, “gift without character is what? Satanic!” It is satanic. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Hallelujah. Because I told you last time, I said, that this is the age that the Pentecostal movement in the whole world boasts of prosperity the most. This is the age some churches are richer than state governments. Their annual budget is higher than the budget of some states. Hallelujah.

⁹¹ There are ministers that are so rich they have private jets, not from their personal money o, but from the income that comes into the ministry. Now, if from your personal money you buy a jet, there is no problem about it. If from your personal money, maybe, you are doing other businesses somewhere but I am talking of a church that will come together like this and raise – I have seen where one offering, not go – come, no notice was given, some few years back when their General Overseer wanted to buy a jet, I was following it on the television. I also followed it on the newspaper. He just came and made a five-minute speech of the need and I was listening to the tape and he made a statement, he said, not that we do not have the money o, not that we do not have the money, he said, we are only giving you the opportunity to tap into that blessing. He said, if you like you bring, if you like you do not bring we want to buy a jet. And they needed a hundred and something million naira or something like that or something like that at that time, I’ve forgotten the exact amount. But the cost of that jet in that service, what they raised was higher than the cost of buying that jet. At one service without notice to members, everybody brought that money. I went to the airport, I saw the jet, I open, I touch, I look am. They bought the jet. Praise the Lord. Very rich and when you talk about now, the size of churches, thousands until one-day service like this they held five services because they do not have enough seat for everybody to come at the same time.

⁹² So many people now are making us or the whole world understand that there is a revival going on. **The Lord is taking over the land, the Lord is taking over the land, Amen. Taking over the land. All over the world, there is a mighty revelation of the glory of the Lord** – can’t you see it? Some of them carry the anointing in their hands, hey! Gboaa! New anointing, revival, Hallelujah, go and see the property they own, the land they own, in Nigeria and outside Nigeria go and see the property they have. Hallelujah, but we read, while

they are there thinking we are mighty, God is with us, can't you see – see what God was saying concerning them in Revelation Chapter 3, we read it last week, let us read it again for the benefit of those who were not here. Revelation Chapter 3, that is, the Laodicean church age. This is the church age we are in now. What did God say concerning that age? And I will read it from Verse 14, this is the message:

¹⁴“And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; these things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

¹⁵I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: - you see it? Meanwhile they are saying we are hot, hot, hot, hot, hot, hot, but God is saying you are lukewarm, you are neither cold nor hot. He said, - *I would thou wert cold or hot.*

¹⁶So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. – now verse 17, hear their claim -

¹⁷Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; - nothing, I have need of nothing, I have heard television preachers say, I don't pray for money, I can't be poor, and it's true because he spends millions of naira everyday on television program alone. He didn't borrow the money for it. They are rich, the truth is they are rich. Their auditorium is rug. Heey, fully air-conditioned. Hallelujah, everything there is digital electronics. Beautiful, wonderful because we are in electronics age but see what He says in verse 17, I read again - *Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.*

⁹³ Brethren, when we speak like this, we seen as critics, but these are the deep things that pertaineth to salvation. Why don't they know it? “***Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom***”. Look at people enjoying themselves in a revival and God is looking at them, you are miserable, you are poor, you are blind and you are naked. That is God's testimony.

⁹⁴ You are a minister, what is God's testimony concerning you? You are a prophet, you are a pastor you are an evangelist, you conduct deliverance anywhere you go shrines will disappear

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in that place. While you are running from village to village, crusade to crusade, what is the testimony of God concerning you?

⁹⁵ Everybody is saying you are a mighty man of God. Pastor Moses you are a powerful preacher, hah! It was when I came to Bride Assembly that my eyes were opened, ah, you were raised for this generation. Ehen! That is a man's testimony. What is the testimony of the Lord concerning you Pastor Moses? That is the truth, Hallelujah, because it is His testimony that matters.

⁹⁶ It is His testimony that matters. And how do I know my testimony? If I go and discover I am doing it according to due order, then you can be sure this is the testimony of the Lord concerning me. Apostle Paul stood before his people and said, I have coveted no man, he said throughout his ministry, he has not coveted, he did not even live his life depending on them and he said, these my hands ministered to my needs and to those around me. It is true, that was the testimony but we have people here today your testimony is, the car I am riding I know how I got it. *All these people them dey, them dey, them dey, use me dump me, use me dump me, na him one man come when I look in the spirit well-well, I see say the man get money well-well, na him I say, the Lord say you should sow into my life.*

⁹⁷ You are coming to me saying, "Pastor, daddy, see oh, I just pray for one man, he buy me motor", I say, "yehhh, I know your gift will make a way for you". Praise God, Praise God. But what is God saying concerning that car you are driving? Hallelujah, what is God saying concerning all the testimonies you are giving, "can't you see how many cars I have? Can't you see me, I cannot use shirt made in Aba. All my cars, all my shirts and my shoes, Italy". Why? "My God is a good God. My God is a good God", O that is wonderful, the truth is my God also is a good God. Our God is a good God, is He not? But make sure, Hallelujah, you are not impersonating that goodness, you didn't cheat somebody and you are coming to give glory to God.

⁹⁸ That is what the gospel is today. You are duping people, "the Lord told me", when the Lord did not tell you anything. Hallelujah. The Lord said you should buy me generator for my house. The Lord said you should buy me generator, generator for my house, the Lord said you should buy me car, the Lord said you should go and sow in the life of a servant of God for your miracle. Heey eh, God is seeing what you mean by that type of revelation and that is the estate of the Laodicean church age.

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⁹⁹ So many churches, then you will understand why God says, many are called but few are chosen. Those who are chosen, they are known as God's elect. And Apostle Peter said, be diligent to do what? We put it here, we put it here, where is it? Oh! It is in the handbill, It is in the handbill, to make your calling and election sure! It is in the handbill.

¹⁰⁰ Any time we come, we remember what Apostle Peter said, be diligent to make your calling and election sure because many are called, few are chosen. Are you in the number saved by grace or already a death sentence has passed over you? It is transferred upon you; it is just waiting for the time to come to fulfilment. There are many people here today in the church of Jesus Christ generally that death hammer is hanging upon them just wait – in fact, they are a walking corpse. Why? They are not carrying the word of God according to due order. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Because in Mark Chapter 7 Verse 7, He was rebuking the Jews, He said,

“How be it in vain do they worship me, teaching [for] doctrines the commandments of men.”

¹⁰¹ There are the doctrines of men and there is the doctrine of the Bible. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Now for a service to be acceptable before God; I said there are five MUSTs and we spoke on one last Sunday. The first one that we spoke on last Sunday, I do not want to dwell on it. You can go find the tape and catch up with us.

¹⁰² The first one is that service or sacrifice, must be according to His Word that has been spoken. Hallelujah. According to His Word that has been spoken. What you are doing? What is the Word of the Lord concerning it that has been spoken? And we looked at the case of Moses, you know his case. He was to speak, the Word of the Lord to him - that was spoken to him is that he should go and speak to the rock instead he went and struck the rock. That service cannot be acceptable before God. It will bring death, instead of speaking he struck it, it is wrong. Hallelujah. David also committed a similar offence. Even Saul, that is where you heard his story, he was to go and kill all the Amalekites, so sincere he reserved some animals. What are those animals? He said, ***“I reserved them”***, to do what? So that ***“I will offer sacrifice to thank God for what he has done for us with these Amalekites”*** and the prophet told him what?

¹⁰³ He said obedience is better than sacrifice, obedience is better than sacrifice. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. And we said there is the due order to go to heaven. There are steps you must

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follow to go to heaven. Blessed be the name of the Lord. The first step is justification and there is the due order. There is the written way you are supposed to be justified. Through water baptism. I said it last week, all these things I am repeating them because of you who came in the second shift. Amen. This draws us back. When we should move forward, we continue to go draw back. Do not sit at home. Be in church. Buy the tapes.

¹⁰⁴ So water baptism brings you justified before God and I said, if you must enter the water and come out, the correct step must be followed. The first thing in Acts 2:38, the first step is first, repent, first. He said, repent and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. So, if you do not repent and you go ahead to enter that water in the name of Jesus Christ, you have wasted your time, that is not the due order – Repent First! Repent First.

¹⁰⁵ Then, I say, I expect some people to go and re-baptize because the truth is you went inside that water so that you will receive deliverance and water baptism is not for deliverance, water baptism is for remission of sins and we spoke on so many other things.

¹⁰⁶ Please I just have to move forward. The second- let us take the second one now. Hallelujah, The second MUST, I said they are five, the second one is; It must be by the one He, God, has chosen, I say it again, the service that you are doing, make sure God has chosen you to do it. So, it must be by the one He has chosen. That is, be sure that God has chosen you, not you choosing yourself.

¹⁰⁷ There are people that jump into the ministry because some other person is doing it. *“Ah ah, who, who be this man, himself dey preach? Ehn, so him say he be minister now for Bride Assembly, say ah, if Samuel can be, then me too I can be now. Why? I remember when we were in school now, we were in the same class ah, na him dey come last, na him dey come last. Ah, me, ah ah what are you saying? I gave my life before Samuel now. I remember how I do, do make he see, he was still drinking, now I come jam am for bride assembly now, him be minister. Then – then me too I will be minister. Eh? We sit down here now, now, now, now, he was coordinator here, now, he don go because he dey see vision. Ehn, me too I dey see vision now, ehn me too I will change my seat”.*

¹⁰⁸ William Branham said something that you have no right to come behind the pulpit as a preacher, as a pastor, as a minister unless you have met with God at the back of the desert like Moses did. This is important. That statement is important. When God chooses you, He backs you up. When you choose yourself, you will have to sustain yourself by your personal

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efforts. That is when you will cook up ideas on how to keep the people together because if God chooses you to be a pastor, when God chooses you to be a pastor, a pastor is a shepherd. Hallelujah. When God chooses you to be a pastor, I was explaining to my people that when you meet people who are not revealed, they allow their carnality to overshadow even common reasoning, even common reasoning. Hallelujah.

¹⁰⁹ I use myself as an example. I am sure God has called me. Listen! I know how and when He called me and I am – I know my relationship with him and how he deals with me. This makes me know that I am still with Him.

¹¹⁰ Now, when you are sure of God's calling, like me, I am a shepherd, as a shepherd, listen church, I am a shepherd not of my own sheep. God called me to watch over His sheep. Hence, when He calls me, it is His responsibility to bring the sheep to me. Now, when he brings the sheep to me, I have the responsibility to watch over them for Him not for me. Now, the Bible says, in John chapter 10, it says, my sheep know my voice, and the voice a stranger they will not follow.

¹¹¹ Now, that statement is a deep statement for pastors. However, not too many pastors have caught the revelation. When a member or some group of members leave the church, a pastor will be getting angry. Why are you getting angry and frustrated? If they were your sheep, they will stay with you. Moreover, why do you want to watch over somebody else's sheep? The reason is simple. It is because when they leave, the tithe will reduce, when they leave it becomes an affront on you, it becomes a stab on you, because you have made yourself more than what God has made you. If God calls you, He will give you your sheep, pastors are sitting down here now – listen. If God called you, He will give you your sheep.

¹¹² That is why I told our neighbour church here when I met their General Overseer here, when we moved in here newly. I do not know him. I have never been here before. We were praying to God to give us a place of worship. God gave us this place in a miraculous way. This will be my first time of coming to this area at all – was when I came to look at the land we got. But somebody here – another church is angry that we have come here because we want to collect his members and so he was antagonizing us, everywhere. You put signboard, they uproot it, you put banner they scatter it. They stand at the bus stop there, do not follow here, they block it, don't follow here. And I was wondering, is it the same master me and that man we are serving? Praise the Lord. Church, listen! Hallelujah.

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¹¹³ I made this statement, before him, I met him. I said, why are you harassing us? What is the problem? What are we struggling for? Are you not a pastor? Didn't God call you? If you are sure, he called me too, I am sure. And I was telling my dear brother there, and I told him, I said, if you have been holding my sheep all these days in your ministry now that I am here, if they hear my voice they will leave you and come to me.

¹¹⁴ I said the same thing also. If I have been holding your sheep, now that I came here, God brought me here so that they will hear you on the loud speaker because your speakers are everywhere, then they will hear the voice there, Hallelujah, and they will identify, that is where I am supposed to be and they will rush and go there. I said, there should be no quarrel over it. There should be no quarrel over it. That is what revelation does. Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

¹¹⁵ And God can call you and give you a hundred members. One hundred members! That does not make you better than another person he called and gave one thousand members. And to start with, to whom much is given, much is demanded. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. But the truth is, "My church is not growing, Pastor Moses I want impartation, impartation so that my church will grow"

¹¹⁶ Who imparted on me before my church started growing, who imparted on me, where did I get impartation for church to grow. That is the nonsense we have been fed with. That a man can impart anointing on you then your church will begin to grow. Nothing like that! He who called you is the one that will impart it on you.

¹¹⁷ When God call you, He will anoint you. He will raise up all the people that will support you. Hallelujah, I am telling you, He knows how to do it. Our brother – He will raise up pillars that will hold – will stand with you. No matter what happens they will stay with you. They will uphold you in prayer, He will raise up intercessors for you. He will raise up ministers that will work selflessly with you. Hallelujah. He will raise financiers, and like this church that members are very stingy. Are you stronger than God? One brother had his breakthrough; he was telling me this night vigil. The brother that bought these things for us: these cameras and the rest, he spent over a million naira on it.

¹¹⁸ His salary in a month is Thirty thousand naira, and then one favour just came *gba*, he just made that money and he said that night he was sleeping, he said, 2AM, a hand woke him up, and woke him, he said, that money, he said ehn, go and take it to Bride and buy video camera. Heey? My first money? Heey, kai can this be God? This is devil. He said there was

no peace upon him, he tried to sleep he could not sleep until he picked his phone and called the head of that department and told him, how many cameras do you say, how much does it cost, how much do – he say eh, first thing in the morning please I am bringing the money. The head of the department said heey? *Where this one dey get the money wey him dey carry come?* Then he brought – he said when he finished making that call then peace came upon him. Continue to tight that your hand, God never ready for that money. Tight it, tight it. God never ready for that money. You will not know the time you carry the, the, the, drop, when you drop am finish your eye go clear, say heey? That time e don enter for our account.

¹¹⁹ When God calls you, He will raise up support for you, all that you need. You cannot help God. All these hypertension pastors have, a revealed pastor can never have hypertension. So if there is anybody that thinks – you are planning to cause hypertension for me you are wasting your time. I am a revealed pastor. Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be the Name of the Lord. Hallelujah.

¹²⁰ It must be according to His word that has been spoken. Number 2, it must be by the one He has chosen. David wanted to build a house of God. If he had gone ahead to build that house of God, if he had gone ahead, would he have been rewarded? No, in fact, he would not have been able to build it. He would have been struggling, struggling, struggling. God had to specifically tell him that ***“the son I will give you is the one that will build that house – that temple for me, not you because you shed too much blood”***. Blessed be the name of the Lord. You can see that in 2 Samuel Chapter 11, read on like that. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

¹²¹ He personally chose Moses; you know that? God personally chose Joshua. Hallelujah. God personally, he will choose all the kings. He is the one that assigned the Levites – Personally. He is the one that chose Aaron, personally. And if he’s calling you today, He will personally call you. Listen. He will personally call you. You will know it is from Him. Not a minister, a prophet anywhere that will come and meet you and say, “Haa! Brother Tony, Brother Tony, aah! You are the one wasting your time. God is saying what are you waiting for? Go and start your ministry. God said I should tell you, that I have been – I am waiting for you.”

¹²² And you yourself, you have never heard anything from God o, directly or indirectly, personally. But anywhere you go, “aah you have a call of God, aah you have a call of God”. The reason they say you have a call of God is that the person giving that revelation is unrevelated, word wise.

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¹²³ Let me tell you, anytime a true born again Christian, a sincere Christian, there is a light that is around you, that follows you wherever you go. Wherever you go there is a light that is upon you that follows you wherever you go and that is why anywhere you reach you will see witches there will be reacting. They will begin to attack you, you never say anything or they will begin to attack you because the light that is on you is disturbing them around. Now, now, an unrevelated prophet, unrevelated. Now he is seeing the light upon you and he is saying, “aah that is a servant of God. That is a servant of God.

¹²⁴ Sister do you know you have the call of God upon you?” Why? “I see the light upon you“. Who told you that call is reflected on the light upon anybody? What kind of call? Call into the ministry. It is not by a light upon you. It is by a definite commission. God comes to you, speaks to you, directly. Church! God will speak to you, you, you, you, you like this sister He will call your name, he will visit you, He will tell you what to do and you will never forget that experience, because a time is going to come when you will remind him of that visitation. To remind him, *“Lord I was sitting my thing jeje for night club you come tell me say come you wan use me. I no tell you say I wan preach, now I wan preach now them dey attack me here and here, wetin happen, I dey go o, I dey go o”*. Then, he will come down and say, “Fear not my servant. I have not forgotten my covenant with you”. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be the name of the Lord! Hallelujah.

¹²⁵ Apostle Paul, personally he was called, the twelve disciples, personally, he called them. John the Baptist, from the mama womb na him he receive the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Hallelujah. Remember John the beloved, his ministry, if you read Revelations Chapter 1, he said He was on the Isle of Patmos on the Lord’s Day to receive revelation. He knew why he was on that island. It means God must have spoken to him, *“I allowed them to push you here. Do not think I have forgotten you. Do not think I have abandoned you. I brought you here so that in this quietness I can show you great things that are coming up ahead. So that you can put it down for my people at the appropriate time to study and understand my plan”*. So he knew and that was what sustained him in the whole of that island. An island that was so dangerous but because it is God that placed him there, none of those dangers came near him. Oh, if you do not catch this revelation, I do not know what else you will catch.

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¹²⁶ They put him there so that the animals there will finish him but they did not know that it was God's call. God has spoken to him that nothing will happen. Specifically, nothing will happen. If God has called you, He watches over you. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

¹²⁷ William Branham, his own vindication, Hallelujah, he heard the voice. You heard his testimony. He said a lot of unusual things were happening around him and he decided to seek the face of the Lord. Why were all these unusual-unusual things around? He was praying one day, trying to read his life story. He said he was praying that day in his room when a huge man entered the room. He said he was hearing the steps and a light around him like that. He turned and looked at the description. He described what must have been a giant looking man. He walked and came to him and stood before him. He said, "***I have been sent to you from the presence of the Lord to explain to you that this unusual lifestyle that you see all around you, it is because God has chosen to use you. For He, God, has chosen you and he will give you a gift that will send you around the world***". A healing gift was what he started with. Bring him before kings, before princes before nations. He gave him the commission.

¹²⁷ William Branham said something. He said, anytime in the course of his ministry and he meets a tough case, like casting out a demon and the demon refuses to go or a terrible situation he finds himself, he said all he does is to remind God of that day, that day in that room. He said before he will finish quoting the experience of that day, the demon knows better than to stay. The demon will jump out. Why? He had a reference point. Some of you your reference point *na the the prophecy wey one prophet give you wey make you go dey start church*. Amen. When trouble comes, you will have to look for that prophet now, to go and meet him, *ehn prophet that prophecy wey you give me I start now, see wetin happen, see wetin happen, see wetin happen, then the prophet will enter into the spirit again abi?* No, that is not the due order. Blessed be the Name of the Lord, Blessed be the Name of the Lord. Hallelujah.

¹²⁸ Church, I am certain of I am saying. I am sure I am talking to somebody here. Somebody that God wants to use and use mightily too but God wants you to serve him according to the due order. Hallelujah. Do not run on your own.

¹²⁹ Let us close on the story of Ahimaaz for this one point. Praise the Lord. We know the story of Ahimaaz, those of you who come for Bible study we have spoken of Ahimaaz. Let us read it. 2 Samuel Chapter 18, and I will read, Hallelujah, we know the story, are we there? Because some people here, their name is Ahimaaz. You will know why. Amen. "***Absalom,***

Absalom the son of David decided to go in battle, Amen, with his father David” and in this battle something happened there. Let us read on from verse, from verse 5. He was sending his generals to that battle, hear the instruction that David gave his generals. Hallelujah,

⁵“And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, [Deal] gently for my sake with the young man, [even] with Absalom. And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom.

⁶So the people went out into the field against Israel: and the battle was in the wood of Ephraim;

⁷Where the people of Israel were slain before the servants of David, and there was there a great slaughter that day of twenty thousand [men].

⁸For the battle was there scattered over the face of all the country: and the wood devoured more people that day than the sword devoured. – so it was a seriously thick forest -

⁹And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak, and he was taken up between the heaven and the earth; - that is he was hanging there - and the mule that [was] under him went away. – na animal now, your master, the thing hang am there the animal still dey waka dey go. Verse 10 -

¹⁰And a certain man saw [it], and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanged in an oak.

¹¹And Joab said unto the man that told him, And, behold, thou sawest [him], and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given thee ten [shekels] of silver, and a girdle.

¹²And the man said unto Joab, Though I should receive a thousand [shekels] of silver in mine hand, [yet] would I not put forth mine hand against the king’s son: for in our hearing the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Beware that none [touch] the young man Absalom.

***13* Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own life: for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest have set thyself against [me].**

***14* Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. – that is, why am I wasting my time with you - And he took three darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he [was] yet alive in the midst of the oak.**

***15* And ten young men that bare Joab's armour compassed about and smote Absalom, and slew him.**

***16* And Joab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from pursuing after Israel: for Joab held back the people.**

***17* And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the wood, and laid a very great heap of stones upon him: and all Israel fled every one to his tent.**

***18* Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up for himself a pillar, which [is] in the king's dale: for he said, I have no son to keep my name in remembrance: and he called the pillar after his own name: and it is called unto this day, Absalom's place. – now verse 19 is where I want to emphasize. See what took place -**

***19* Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, Let me now run, and bear the king tidings, how that the Lord hath avenged him of his enemies. – Ahimaaz offered by himself, I am still reading o, Ahimaaz offered by himself. He jumped up that, *ehen*, Joab, Joab is the general in charge of that battle. Ehen let me run and go and tell the king that God don finish all his enemies. Amen. That is, he is the one that offered by himself to go. There are so many ministers today, you are the one that called yourself. Ok let me read on. -**

***20* And Joab said unto him, Thou shalt not bear tidings this day, but thou shalt bear tidings another day: but this day thou shalt bear no tidings, because the king's son is dead. – that is, you are good but wait for your own time. For this matter of delivering this type of message, you are not the one that is supposed to do it because before going the king, there is a special way**

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that you will go and there are those who are trained to know how to deliver such a message. Since he knows that the king loves Absalom, his son, so much despite the rebellion and if the king should hear that Absalom is dead it can break his heart. There must be a way to deliver convey that message.

¹³⁰ Church, it is not everybody that can preach the gospel of salvation. It is not everybody that can jump up and say that I am an evangelist. It is not everybody that can stand to preach the gospel. It is not everybody. There is something else for everyone to do. Everybody has something to do but it is not everybody that can be a preacher of this message. Something has happened, you want to go and deliver the message, Ahimaaz, Hallelujah, verse 21 -

Then said Joab to Cush, - now see the person he selected is Cush - ***Go tell the king what thou hast seen.*** – you see, Cush did not come and say, I will go, if you say Joab cannot do it then let me go and do it, No, Cush was sitting himself jeje jeje. Every true servant of God never goes to God and say, Lord make me a mighty pastor, Lord make me a mighty prophet, Lord, I want to, I want, I, I, I want to have the biggest ministry in the whole world. Lord, Lord. **Here am I use me, here am I send me. If the Lord needs somebody, here am I send me.**

¹³¹ You want to help God; you think God does not know the people he wants to use. You think God needs that prayer from you, Lord use me, if you need anybody here am I Lord use me, Lord use me. You are Ahimaaz! It is Ahimaaz that came like that. I will go. I will go and do it. I-I will go and do it. Am I - Am I talking to somebody? Who-Who am I talking to? Who? OK? How many? Thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you.

¹³² Wait! When it is time for God to call you HE will call you, He will use you. William Branham said something, he said, those, Hallelujah, those that can do it, that God has decided that they are the ones he will use. He said, there is one identity about them. He said, they are always unwilling. He said those who call themselves they are those that jump ahead; I will, I will, I will, I will, I will, I will, I will, I will, I will, that is evidence God did not call you, you are the one calling yourself. Do not call yourself! That is not the due order! Leave God to call you by Himself. It is a difficult thing I am saying now. Do not call yourself! Do not! If you call yourself, you won't be doing corner-corner ministry.

¹³³ Blessed be the name of the Lord. Can I read on? Where is the - Where am I? Verse what? Ehn? Hallelujah, 2 Samuel Chapter 18 Verse 21,

²¹*“Then said Joab to Cush, - Joab is now sending Cush – Go tell the king what thou hast seen. And Cush bowed himself unto Joab, and ran. – What was he going for? Go tell the King what you have seen. Go tell the king what you have seen. He was given a message. Cush then ran -*

²²*Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok yet again to Joab, - ehn, though you sent Cush, - But howsoever, let me, I pray thee, also run after Cush. And Joab said, Wherefore wilt thou run, my son, seeing that thou hast no tidings ready? – you don’t have a message yet? What are you running for? What are you going to tell the king? What do you know? Verse 23,*

²³*But howsoever, - however sha, anyhow sha, - [said he], - ehn - let me run. And he said unto him, - OK - Run. – permissive will, OK run, Permissive will. What is the perfect will? Perfect will is don’t run, but because you are troubling the man, the man said OK, dey go now - Then Ahimaaz ran – as he’s running and going, if you ask Ahimaaz where are you going? What will he tell you? Joab said I should go. So many of us, the ministry you are holding today, you trouble God so tey, so that He will rest he say oya go.*

¹³⁴ The Bible says, *“I permit not a woman to teach or usurp authority over a man”*. You have been troubling God with fasting and crying say, O Lord use, O Lord use me, like you used Kathrine Khulman Lord use me like you used eh, Bimbo, like you used eh, Adeleke, like you used eh, me too Lord, in my generation. Oh, Lord-Lord, eey, so God, so that he will rest, O my daughter Go. Oh my daughter I have heard my voice, Go. The she will stand up. The Lord called me and said I should go. I heard Him clearly, I even wrote it down. Amen. But what is the perfect will. Sister Chi-Chi you are hearing me now o. How will I know the perfect will of God? *Na him I dey talk so o.* Praise the Lord. – *then Ahimaaz ran by the way of the plain, - and see what he did, what did he do? He - overran Cush, - he even went ahead of Cush. He run, Cush took off before him o. but when they said Go, he ran hey, and even overtook Cush. Heey. Oh, Blessed be the Name of the Lord. OK let me read on. verse 24 -*

24“And David sat between the two gates: and the watchman went up to the roof over the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold a man running alone.

25And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, If he [be] alone, [there is] tidings in his mouth. And he came apace, and drew near.

26And the watchman saw another man running: and the watchman called unto the porter, and said, Behold [another] man running alone. And the king said, He also bringeth tidings. – because you can't be running now if you don't have a message. Since they are coming there must be a message they have. Hallelujah, and the watchman said, verse 27, -

27And the watchman said, Me thinketh the running of the foremost – the one in front - ***is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok.*** – It means he is known for that type of run. He is known for that type of race - ***And the king said, He [is] a good man, and cometh with good tidings.***

28And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, - now he has arrived, he has arrived now - ***All is well.*** – do you know there are preachers who have nothing to say rather than, “the Lord is a good God, All is well, you will all go to heaven, behold how wonderful it is to be called the sons and daughters of God. Oh, my, my, my, my, oh, I say the Lord is a good God, this year all of you will be millionaires, oh because the Lord has destined, the Lord say I should tell you all of you will go to heaven. Oh, all is well”. Watch them on television, they say nothing beyond that. All is well. Read their books they say nothing beyond how to be successful. They say nothing other than faith to you to - for you to know and as they are saying, All is well, All is well, All is well. The church members that is what they want to hear now. They say, Oh pastor. I like this man. Ey. Ok. All is well! - ***And he fell down*** – Ahimaaz fell down - ***to the earth upon his face before the king, and said, Blessed [be] the Lord thy God, which hath delivered up the men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king.*** Listen, verse 29,

29And the king said, Is the young man Absalom safe? – Hallelujah, that is what he wants to hear. The message the king was waiting for is a specific message. And anybody that will be running from the battlefield to come must be coming with no other thing other than that message - other than that message, other than that

message - *And Ahimaaz answered*, - see the way he answered - *When Joab sent the king's servant*, - who is that king's servant? Cushai - *and [me] thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what [it was]*. – no you don't understand what is going on here. Is somebody following? Ehn? let me, let me, let me – lets read it again. Ehn? verse 29,

²⁹*And the king said*, - to Ahimaaz, *now he don come fall down before the king yakata for ground*. The king is anxious to hear the message. - *And Ahimaaz answered, When Joab sent the king's servant, and [me] thy servant*, - now, Joab actually sent 2 people isn't it. Yes, now, he sent Cushai and he sent Ahimaaz. Yes. OK. He said, - *I saw a great tumult*, - a lot of confusion was going on, a lot of jubilation was going on, a lot of revival was going on - but I knew not what [it was].

¹³⁵ Now the question is, then why did you run? Amen. Amen. Why did you run? You don't know what happened you were running to the king, what were you running to go and tell him? Amen.

¹³⁶ So you can understand now what I am saying. I said, if you do not know this message we are preaching here. If you do not know the word, you cannot lead any group in this church because what are you – where are you leading them to? Where are you leading them to? What is the message you have? You are jumping in the streets and saying, I am a minister. Minister of what? Who send you? Who sent you? Minister! Who sent you? What is the message? What is the message? If God sends you, he gives you a message. Blessed be the Name of the Lord, Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

¹³⁷ Moses was sent to Israel – to Egypt, what was the message? What was the message? [church replies, Pharaoh let my people Go!] What was the message? Pharaoh, Let My People Go! Hallelujah. That is Thus Saith the Lord but he asked – asked God, they will not believe me o, I know these people they will ask me, what is the sign? Hallelujah, what is the sign? What is the sign? What is the Sign that will show that you have called me – you have sent me? And that is the next point we shall be going next week Sunday. God Bless you. Hallelujah, hallelujah.

¹³⁸ Don't be Ahimaaz. Ask your brother, ask your sister, is your name Ahimaaz? Ask your sister, ask your brother, is your name Ahimaaz? Ahimaaz. Any time you see anybody carry tag say he is a minister ask him, what is the message, what is the message? Hallelujah. The

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message is not vision. We shall look at it next Sunday. That is the third point that we need to know. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. I want to - I don't want to rush this because there are people sitting down here God is going to use mightily. I'm telling you, I have revelation, God has shown me.

If you are happy, let us clap our hands for Jesus Christ.