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THE MONTH OF JUNE

**Theme:** LIKE THE BEREAN CHRISTIANS

**Text:** Acts 17:10-12, Hosea 4:6

**Memory Verse:** "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether

those things were so" Acts 17:11

Hymn 69: OPEN MY EYES, THAT I MAY SEE

### **MESSAGE:**

Halleluyah! When I gave my life to Christ, maybe it's because God was preparing me for a period like this, knowing that He will use me in the future to defend the faith (as for me back then I didn't know).

People take off and go to the camp and go to the mountain to pray, seeking whatever they are looking for, but I have never gone to any mountain and seen anybody carry books and say, "I have withdrawn to come and study." But I am telling you now that I used to pack books, you will think I am preparing for an examination. I'll go and stay three days, four days in the camp just studying. I was not studying because I was hoping to be a pastor; I didn't know I would be a pastor. God revealed it but He didn't allow me to understand what He was showing me years back until it came to pass. I just wanted to know Him; I wanted to know who this God of creation is. When you study Him, you want to know Him the more and the more you study Him, the more mysterious He becomes.

If you don't subject yourself to studying, what has your education profited you, when you cannot read? Church of God, the Bible puts it this way, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." So, all these funny-funny preachers tell you anything and because you have no time to go and confirm as the Berean Christians, you begin to "follow-follow, follow-follow, mumu-mumu" so how has your education profited you?

Going to school is neither for the sole purpose of getting a job nor is it just so you can fill yourself with earthly knowledge; it is also a means by which you can know God the more. You must be like the Berean Christians! When you become like the Berean Christians then you can act according to the word of God and break free and be completely delivered from all forms of oppression of the devil.

? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, help me to re-focus my mind on You.

2: Strengthen my inner man and keep me abiding in Your word, oh Lord.

: Lord I am tired of pursing men for my deliverance, open my eyes, my heart, my mind and my soul to Your word that sets me free.

**Theme:** NICODEMUS, THE FEARFUL!

**Text:** Matthew 24:42-51, Mark 9:43-50, John 3:1-21

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death" Revelation 21:8

☐ **Hymn 03:** THEY COME

### **MESSAGE:**

Revelation Chapter 21 and verse 7 and verse 8, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". See the category that will go to hell fire. See the category: number 1 is the fearful and this fear, here, is not people who are afraid to die. It is people who are afraid to openly let the world know they are for Jesus Christ. They belong to Jesus Christ. Child of God, are you really ready?

Nicodemus came in the night, he saw truth, he saw Christ, he said, "We know that thou art a teacher sent from God", so he knows, because he gave a reason, but if you know then, why are you not identifying with God and the one he sent?

Nicodemus was afraid because he may lose his position in the Sanhedrin council, so he comes in the night. There are people that are hiding here now; God brought you to a living church like Bride Assembly to hear certain things.

So to every Nicodemus coming across this devotional today, beyond the miracles, signs, wonders, healing and deliverance, are you in the message? Have you gotten the message that God is trying to get across to you? Are you ready to be saved? Are you ready to overcome your fear? Are you ready?

\Quad 1: My Father and my Maker, you have not given me a spirit of fear. Help me to activate the spirit of boldness, sound mind and of reverence to you that you have given unto me.

2: Lord Jesus Christ, teach me the ways of an over-comer in Christ Jesus. Make me more than a conqueror.

: Oh Lord and my God, help me to conquer my fears and worries and uncertainties of what can happen and what may not happen as I continue in this Christian journey.

**Theme:** THE MESSAGE AND THE GIFT (Part 1)

Text: Psalm 119

Memory Verse: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path"

Psalm 119:105

☐ Hymn 442: HOW BLEST ARE THEY WHO ALWAYS KEEP

### **MESSAGE:**

Some time ago, one of the prophets came and said that we should give more time to the prophets and I said, "No! We shall give more time to the word of God". Praise the Lord! Let me tell you why I told him so; I said, "The gift that we have is to cause attraction. God did not call us here to entertain us. When Christ was healing and doing all the miracles and mighty deliverance & everything, see, it was to call attention. He had a message from God to the whole world and the message is not healing & deliverance. So how will they know that it's from God? The power, the gift is for vindication, something that man cannot do. It is God's own making and meant to cause an attraction.

There is a message that God sent Moses to Egypt to deliver. The message was not to go & turn sticks to snake. People will organize crusade & all they will spend time doing from morning till evening is to come & share testimony, then 20 minutes exaltation from one scripture & then power, power, power, power, power, finish. Then, they will go home and when you ask such a person, "Where did you go to?" The person will reply, "I went to church" and when asked, "What did you hear?" The funny reply you get is something like this: "Ah! Our pastor healed somebody that was twisted like rubber today". Is that the message? No!

There are ministers today that have no message. They have no message, but they are running. They are running without a message because beyond the operation of the gift, there is a message and the message is meant to lead you back to God.

3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, guide me as I run this race that I will not run without a message from You.

2: Lord Jesus Christ, teach me to discern when I am beginning to place the gift above Your word. Bring me back to Your word, oh Lord.

3: Oh Lord my God, do not allow me to follow ministers who are running without a message from You.

**Theme:** THE MESSAGE AND THE GIFT (Part 2)

Text: Exodus 4, Psalm 119

Memory Verse: "And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither hearken

to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign".

Exodus 4:8

☐ Hymn 442: HOW BLEST ARE THEY WHO ALWAYS KEEP

### **MESSAGE:**

We know the story of Moses. Moses was given a message to Pharaoh. What was the message? "Let my people go!" Moses said, "Eh, I know this people, if I say God sent me, they will ask "Which sign are you going to show us to prove that God sent you?". I also know these Jews; they will begin to argue with me saying, "Give us evidence that it was God that sent you".

God said to Him, "Put your hand in your bosom", he put it, God said, "Bring it out", he brought it out and it was leprous. God said, "Put it back", he put. "Bring it out" God said, and he brought and it was cleansed; restored to normal.

God asked Moses, "What is in your hand?" and He said, "A staff!" God said, "Throw it down", He threw it down and it turned to a snake. God said, "Pick it up" and he picked it up again & the snake turned to a stick again.

The Lord then told Moses, "If they will not believe the voice of the first sign, they will believe the voice of the second sign". There is a voice that goes with every sign. Moses had a message but so that the people will believe him, he was given a sign. And by that sign, everybody was forced to listen to him. Moses' ministry to Egypt; what was his ministry to Egypt? It was to deliver a message, "Thus saith the Lord".

Assembly Church and cause them to be led by You.

2: Lord Jesus Christ, teach me to discern when I am beginning to place the signs and wonders above Your word. Bring me back to Your word, oh Lord.

3: Oh Lord my God, confirm to me Your message that is behind the signs, wonders and gifts I see manifesting around me.

**Theme:** THE UNBELIEVING BELIEVER

Text: Hebrews 3:7-19, Revelation 21:5-8

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". Revelation 21:8

☐ Hymn 510: THE PRIZE IS SET BEFORE US

### **MESSAGE:**

Revelation Chapter 21 and verse 7 and verse 8, <sup>7</sup>"He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son. <sup>8</sup>But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death".

You may want to ask, "Can there be an unbelieving believer in the church?" Yes! There are unbelievers in the church. So, who is a believer? A believer is one who believes the totality of the word of God. This is why the Bible describes the Church as a mixed multitude. God calls some sheep and He calls some goats and they are inside the church. Child of God, there's goats and there's sheep oh. I don't know which one you are.

But anytime the word of God is opened to you and then in your heart or in your mouth you begin to say, "eeh... but, eeh..." despite reading the word of God clearly that says, "don't wear trouser, sister, don't wear earrings" and you are still saying, "eeh... but eeh... but" You are a goat. You are an unbelieving believer.

A sheep is always saying, "Amen, Amen, I will not wear it again. Amen, I will not fornicate again Amen". If you are a sheep, once it is thus says the Lord and confirmed to be of God, the sheep always says, "Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen".

My ministry is to lead people to heaven, and I believe you have not come across this devotional by accident. And if God brings you before me and I don't tell you the truth, my judgment will be higher than your own. If you are a sheep show your neighbors the

evidence that you are a sheep; that you are a believer; that is that you are one who believes the totality of the word of God.

# WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, speak in a way that I will understand. Show me the path of righteousness.

3  $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{\sim}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, help my unbelief (Mark 9:24).

**Theme:** THE ABOMINABLE

**Text:** Romans 1:18-32, Revelation 21:5-8

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". Revelation 21:8

Hymn 500: LET GOD, WHO CALLED THE WORLDS TO BE

#### **MESSAGE:**

Anything God calls an abomination is an abomination. In the book of Job Chapter 15 and verse 16 the question is asked, "How much more abominable and filthy is man, which drinketh iniquity like water?"

Child of God! You know that it is abominable for a man to wear that, which pertains to a woman and for a woman to wear that which pertains to a man – Deuteronomy 22:5. Which definition do you want again? Abomination is abomination!

It's abominable to be involved in homosexuality. Leviticus Chapter 18 from verse 22 to verse 30. Homosexuality is an abomination. Leviticus Chapter 20 verse 13. Lesbianism is an abomination. Romans Chapter 1 from verse 26 to verse 32. It's an abomination for a Christian to enter night club to drink and indulge in all these things unbelievers do there, it's an abomination. It's an abomination; it's a shameful thing for a Christian man to beat his wife. It's an abomination for a Christian married man to go & have a girlfriend outside, and you are carrying Bible, it's an abomination to you, it's an abomination. It's an abomination for a Christian to be a thief, a thief is a thief, whether you steal from God or you steal from man or you steal from both God and man. *Thief na thief.* It's an abomination. Romans 1:18-32

Titus Chapter 1 and verse 15 and 16, "Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled. They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate".

Revelation Chapter 21 and verse 7 and verse 8, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and

unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death".

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, teach me to put to death my love and lust for abominable acts.
- 3 2: Lord Jesus Christ, reveal to me things that are abominable that I have not taken as important issues that need to be dealt with.
- 3: Oh Lord, my God, save me. I do not want to be a candidate of Hell fire.

**Theme:** THE MURDERERS

**Text:** Romans 1:18-32, Revelation 21:5-8

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". Revelation 21:8

Hymn 506: HELL! 'TIS A WORD OF DREADFUL SOUND

#### **MESSAGE:**

Our Lord Jesus Christ defined murder for us. If you hate anybody in your heart, you are a murderer. Matthew Chapter 5 from verse 21 to verse 22, "Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: But I say into you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire."

Hatred is a spirit of murder. No wonder scriptures admonish us in Romans 12:19-21, "Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good"

So you see that you claim to be a Christian and claim to have never literally stabbed or shot someone but Titus Chapter 1 and verse 16 describe you thus, "They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate".

But we are admonished in Revelation Chapter 21 and verse 7 and verse 8 which says, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death".

Overcome the human nature. Refuse to be a murderer! Let the love of God prevail over you. Romans 13:9, "For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself"

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, teach me to love my enemies.

3 2: Lord Jesus Christ, forgive me for the times I have been a murderer in words and deeds.

3: Oh Lord, my God, save me from me.

**Theme:** THE WHOREMONGERS

**Text:** Romans 13:11-14, Revelation 21:5-8

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". Revelation 21:8

☐ Hymn 501: BE STILL MY SOUL

### **MESSAGE:**

If anyone, who is not legally married to you, sleeps with you, the person has made you a prostitute, a whoremonger. That's prostitution and there are many prostitutes or whoremongers in the churches today.

You claim to be a Christian and claim to have never indulged in prostitution but Titus Chapter 1 and verse 16 describe you thus, "They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate".

Romans 1:32 says, "Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them".

And Matthew 5:27-30 says, "Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart. And if thy right eye offends thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell. And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell".

We are, thus, admonished in Romans Chapter 13 from verse 11, "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly,

as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof."

Romans 13:9, "...and if there be any other commandment it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself"

# WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, help me to cut off people, things and places I need to cut off.
- 3 2: Lord Jesus Christ, forgive me for my mistakes. Guide me that I will no longer make provision for the flesh and end up fulfilling its lusts.
- 3: Oh Lord, my God, save me from me.

**Theme:** THE SORCERERS

Text: Numbers 22, Revelation 21:5-8

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". Revelation 21:8

☐ Hymn 511: SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS

### **MESSAGE:**

Who is a Sorcerer? A Sorcerer is one that does divination. He is a *babalawo*. Now, what is a Sorcerer's business? A Sorcerer's business is to see vision for people, tell them how to solve their problem, and collect money from them. He lives by seeing vision for people. He knows what to do to enter the spirit and solve their problem.

For you that say that you are a Christian and you have the gift of God operating in your life, know that it is to lead the people of God to heaven. Therefore, if you are a gifted brother or a gifted sister, and all you do is you use your gift for anybody that does not want to see the truth of the hour, you are a sorcerer, you are a sorcerer o.

Ok! What are looking for from him or from her? The person does not want your doctrine but he or she wants your gift to function for him or her. Sometime ago, a sister that no longer worships with us, came here with her family & her friends, and a minister started a conversation with her to find out why we had not been seeing them again. She said that she had gone back to her denominational church but that she was still with us.

In her words, "I still dey with you people o; anytime I get problem, I dey call the gifted brethren from here and them dey come my house come pray for me so no be say I don comot kpatakpata from Bride Assembly o" And the truth be said, "Any minister, gifted brother or gifted sister that that is your job, you are a sorcerer. You are a sorcerer o!"

? 1: Holy Spirit, save me from following familiar spirits and divinations.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, forgive me for misusing and abusing the gift You gave to me. Teach me how to rightly operate the gift of God that I have.

: Oh Lord my God, may I not end up as prophet Balaam. Lord, let no minister in the Bride Assembly Church end up as prophet Balaam.

**Theme:** THE IDOLATERS

Text: Ezekiel 14:1-7, Revelation 21:5-8

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". Revelation 21:8

☐ Hymn 512: JESUS SHALL REIGN

### **MESSAGE:**

God does not share His glory with any man. Any time you lift up a person or thing beyond what God has made that person as a human being or that thing as a place or thing, that person or thing has become an idol to you and you have become an idolater.

And Christians today are idolizing their pastors, idolizing their G.O, idolize their Pope, how do I know? There are church members that carry their pastor's pictures on their body and woe betides you if you say anything against their pastor, they will kill you. Their pastor has become their idol.

Brethren! Jesus Christ must be our idol. Not a thing or place! Not any human being! We are brethren under the same grace. We are brethren. I'm not saying you should not respect authority because the Bible actually tells us to respect those in authority, but it does not tell us to worship them. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

"Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am the LORD your God." Leviticus 19:4

"Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a standing image, neither shall ye set up any image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God" Leviticus 26:1

"And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images, and cast your images, and cast your carcasses upon the carcasses of your idols, and my soul shall abhor you." Leviticus 26:30

"Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry." 1 Corinthians 10:14

## "Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen." 1 John 5:21

# WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, reveal every idol I have raised up in my heart and show me how to pull them down.

3 2: Lord Jesus Christ, be lifted high above all else in my life.

3: Oh Lord my God, guide me to discern when my respect for a thing or person is switching to worship and cause me to stop it instantly in Jesus' name.

**Theme:** THE LIARS

**Text:** Jeremiah 50:36, Isaiah 44:25, Revelation 21:5-8

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". Revelation 21:8

☐ Hymn 07: WHEN THE REDEEMED GATHER

### **MESSAGE:**

Liars include people that will say God say when God didn't say. People that will say, "Thus says the Lord... This is thus says the Lord" and the thing will not come to pass tomorrow and when you meet them, just to tell you that they are liars, they act in a way that is not common of one who claims to be a true Christian.

You heard a voice that said tell them, "Thus saith the Lord" and then it failed to come to pass, if you are a true seed of God, you will not have confidence to operate that gift again. You go ask yourself which voice dey talk to me. You will withdraw. You will not operate that gift for a long while.

The questions that will be flowing through you are "Can God lie? No! Can God make mistake? No!" So for those who say, "Thus says the Lord" and it doesn't happen, do you know what it means to say God say? When God says a thing, even you – yourself - you cannot stop the word of God from coming to pass.

"Thus say the Lord in 16 days you will be in America" and 3 months don pass, you still dey here, then you meet that person, and he will say, "Well, that's what I heard, go & pray. Na wetin I see na him I tell you". That person is a liar, he's a liar. Blessed be the name of the Lord Hallelujah! And God said that all of them will have their part in the lake which burneth with fire & brimstone. This is the second death. Brethren stop the lies! Stop lying!

? 1: Holy Spirit expose to me, teach and guide me out of the web of lies I have become covered with.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{2}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, keep me away from lying spirits, teachers, pastors and prophets.

: Saviour of my soul, cleanse my unclean lips and cut me off from unclean association. Isaiah 6:5

**Theme:** ESCAPING THE SECOND DEATH

**Text:** Revelation 20:11-15, Revelation 21:5-8

**Memory Verse:** "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". Revelation 21:8

☐ Hymn 98: OUR LORD'S RETURN

### **MESSAGE:**

Revelation Chapter 20 and verse 11, speaks of the white throne judgment; "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them". And that is after the one thousand years reign of Christ and us on earth.

What follows next is in Revelation Chapter 20 and verse 12; "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works".

Why according to their works? It's because the Bible says every man shall give account of himself as we see in Revelation Chapter 20 from verse 13 to verse 15; "And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and dead and Hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire".

For us who live now, how do we escape the second death? The answer is given in Revelation Chapter 20 and verse 6; "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years." To be part of the first resurrection, you need the Holy Ghost. No Holy Ghost! No first resurrection! No Rapture!

3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, take over me and fill me.

3 2: Holy Spirit, do not just fill me but dwell in me wholly, I give You all of me

3: Lord Jesus Christ, may my work on earth while I live, be pleasing unto You even unto the Day of Judgment. Help me! Oh Lord!

Theme: HELL (Part 1)

**Text:** Luke 16:19-31, Mark 8:27-38

Memory Verse: "What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose

his own soul?" Mark 8:36

Hymn 97: THIS WORLD CAN'T HOLD ME

### **MESSAGE:**

Jesus in Luke Chapter 16 was talking about hell and from verse 19 we read the story of the rich man & Lazarus; 19"There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: <sup>20</sup>And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, <sup>21</sup>And desiring to be fed with crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. (So he was a terribly poor Jew) <sup>22</sup>And it came to pass, that the beggar died and was carried by the Angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died and was buried; <sup>23</sup>And in hell he (the rich man) lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. <sup>24</sup>And he cried and said, Father Abraham have mercy on me and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water & cool my tongue: for I am tormented in this flame. <sup>25</sup>But Abraham said, Son, remember, that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted and thou art tormented. <sup>26</sup>And beside all these, between us and you, there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us that would come from thence. <sup>27</sup>Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: (And that's the area I want to emphasize on) <sup>28</sup>For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment".

Many Souls are crying out for another chance just as the rich man in the Scripture we read. Will you be the next soul in hell that will be crying out for help and for people to be sent back to warn others about hell? As for me, I say, "God forbid!"

? 1: Holy Spirit, teach me the way to go. I don't want to live life as an unbeliever and end up in hell

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Holy Spirit, guide me through my decisions and associations, through my ups and downs that I will remain firmly rooted in Christ Jesus.

: My Father and my God, by Your mercy, please save my soul as well as those of my family members and friends from the torment of hell.

Theme: HELL (Part 2)

**Text:** Luke 16:19-31, Mark 8:27-38

**Memory Verse:** "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he

cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels" Mark 8:38

☐ Hymn 101: WHEN I SURVEY THE CROSS

### **MESSAGE:**

When you die, there is a place called hell and it is a place of torment to every unbeliever. Brethren, it's a place of torment! Hell is a place where every unbeliever will end up in torment.

<sup>27</sup>"Then he (The rich man) said, I pray thee therefore, father (Abraham), that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: <sup>28</sup>For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment". Luke Chapter 16 and Verse 27 and Verse 28

Unfortunately, God has not allowed anybody to go there and then come back to tell us exactly as it is and the reason is pure & simple as seen in Luke Chapter 16 and Verse 29, <sup>29</sup>"Abraham said unto him, they have Moses & the prophets; let them hear them". Now you may ask in our days, which Moses & the prophets do we have? We have the Bible, we have the preachers, they are warning us every day that there is heaven and there is hell.

So let them warn them but we see what the rich man said in Luke Chapter 16 and verse 30, "And he said, Nay, father Abraham, if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent" but church, will they repent? No! Will they repent? No! And that was the same answer Abraham gave to him in Luke Chapter 16 and verse 31, "And he said unto him, if they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead".

In our day, as we see that even with the visions, tales, and fictions and so on of hell that many have told and even put in audio and video or movie format, many are still trooping

as unbelievers to hell. Brethren, will you also prefer to go to hell? Your answer right now may be a "NO!" but check your lifestyle, are you showing forth the fruit of the spirit or the works of the flesh? Hell is real!

# WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, teach me the way to go. I don't want to live life as an unbeliever and end up in hell

3 2: Holy Spirit, guide me through my decisions and associations, through my ups and downs that I will remain firmly rooted in Christ Jesus.

Theme: YET THEY WILL NOT LISTEN (Part 1)

**Text:** Luke 16:19-31, Mark 8:27-38

Memory Verse: "Abraham said unto him, they have Moses & the prophets; let them hear

them". Luke 16:29

☐ Hymn 21: THE FIGHT IS ON

### **MESSAGE:**

I know of a preacher, a popular preacher in Nigeria, that said that he had died some years back and according to him whenever he gets invited to go & preach anywhere especially in a crusade, he charges in millions. But when he died, hallelujah, amen, the angel told him that he had rejected the Spirit of God and that though he thought he was a great man of God yet what He was sent to do on earth was not what he did.

And Brethren, there are many others that are following in this same footstep, following their own ways. Then the angel told him, "We are giving you one more chance, go & warn them". He came back to life shaking and was calling everyone and was telling them.

According to him, one of the great men of God that this country has had, that everybody is saying, "Oh our papa is in heaven", He said that the angel told him see where he is in torment. This preacher came forth and he said it everywhere, but have preachers changed? Have they changed? No! And that was the same answer Abraham gave to the rich man in Luke Chapter 16 and verse 31, "And he said unto him, if they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead".

They are still commercializing the gospel today, so you see why God does not bother to send anybody from the dead to come back. Blessed be the name of the Lord! But I pray that you will hear this Moses because Moses is talking to you now. *My name na Moses*, you are hearing Moses now; prove Abraham wrong, that there are people that will hear & repent. Blessed be the name of the Lord, Hallelujah!

? 1: Holy Spirit, teach me the way to go, I don't want to live life as an unbeliever and end up in hell.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Holy Spirit, guide me through my decisions and associations, through my ups and downs that I will remain firmly rooted in Christ Jesus.

: My Father and my God, save the ministers of Bride Assembly from falling away from the path of righteousness.

Theme: YET THEY WILL NOT LISTEN (Part 2)

**Text:** Luke 16:19-31, Mark 8:27-38

Memory Verse: "Abraham said unto him, they have Moses & the prophets; let them hear

them". Luke 16:29

**Hymn 21:** THE FIGHT IS ON

### **MESSAGE:**

Where is the location of the Hell? Deuteronomy Chapter 32 and verse 22 speaks of the lowest hell. Job Chapter 11 from verse 7 to verse 8 speaks of deeper Hell. It says: "Canst thou by searching find out God? Canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection? It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? *Deeper than hell*; what canst thou know?"

Proverbs Chapter 9 Verse 18 speaks about the depths of Hell. The emphasis is the usage that is what gives us the location; where Hell is? Hell has an address; Heaven has an address. Any day or time we talk of heaven, where do we look to? Look Up! What of hell? Our mind focuses on down. This is what the scripture is trying to substantiate.

Isaiah Chapter 14 Verse 9 speaks of Hell from beneath, it says, "Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations."

Ezekiel Chapter 31 Verse 16 speaking about the punishment of pharaoh. It speaks about casting him down to hell. It says, "I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit..." They descend into the pit and where is this? That's hell! Hallelujah! Amen.

Also see 2 Peter Chapter 2 Verse 4 which talks about angels that were cast down to hell because they sinned and Amos Chapter 9 Verse 2 which says, "Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them; though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down".

With all these proof in the scripture of such a terrible place like hell existing, what kind of a being are you supposed to live like? Don't you think it is time to listen? Child of God! Listen while you still can!! Now you understand further the statement by father Abraham in Luke Chapter 16 Verse 31 "And he said unto him, if they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead".

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER **POINT:**



\$\times 1: Holy Spirit, I don't want to end up in hell. Save my soul, oh Lord Jesus Christ.

**Theme:** EXALTED BY MEN

**Text:** Luke 16:19-31, Luke 18:9-17

Memory Verse: "Verily I say unto you, whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God

as a little child shall in no wise enter therein". Luke 18:17

☐ Hymn 444: UP TO THE TEMPLE ONE FINE DAY

### **MESSAGE:**

Jesus Christ prophesied concerning Capernaum in Luke Chapter 10 and Verse 15 saying, "And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell."

And in Luke Chapter 16 from Verse 19, the scripture says, "There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, And desiring to be fed with crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. (So he was a terribly poor Jew) And it came to pass, that the beggar died and was carried by the Angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died and was buried; And in hell he (the rich man) lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham have mercy on me and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water & cool my tongue: for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember, that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted and thou art tormented. And beside all these, between us and you, there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment".

Then you understand scriptures like Matthew Chapter 23 and Verse 12, "And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted." And I encourage you to read the book of Luke; Chapter 18, from Verse 9 to Verse 17.

\(\sigma\) 1: Holy Spirit, show me how to avoid getting distracted by human exaltations that are likely to throw me off the path of righteousness. Teach me to tear down my wall of self-righteousness.

 $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{=}$  2: My Father and my God, teach me to exalt You.

**Theme:** GIVE DILIGENCE (Part 1)

**Text:** Luke 2 Peter 1:1-21

Memory Verse: "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and

election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1:10

**Hymn 292:** FILL MY CUP LORD

### **MESSAGE:**

When you advertise a programme for people to come and receive miracles, all manner of people will troop in. What are they coming for? Miracles of course! That's why in our programs, we emphasize the need for people to receive the Holy Ghost and you want to go to heaven that is why you are connected to us.

The miracles will come and go. Amen. Healing and deliverance will come and go but there is one thing that is needful; the aspect that pertains to the baptism of the Holy Ghost! This is the only part of the scripture that has spoken and guaranteed a believer to go to heaven.

The reality remains that there are thousands of messages you can get from the Bible but of all the hundreds of thousands of messages preached and books written from this Bible, you can hardly see any talking of the only topic that guarantees you going to heaven and that is the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The others talk of how to receive your healing, deliverance, to do and undo, to prosper, etc. Everything is tailored towards how to make you inherit and enjoy the earth.

Brethren we need to go to heaven, we have to be in heaven when all is said and done, but what you give diligence to is what you will focus on and what you focus on will determine what you listen to, what you pursue and what you value more.

"Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence (thoroughness, attentiveness, carefulness) to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1: 10.

\$\times\$ \times\$ 1: Holy Spirit, I want You. Fill me and dwell in me, oh Lord Jesus Christ.

3 2: Holy Spirit, I want the anointing and the Anointer and that is all of You. Please hear my humble cry.

3: Holy Spirit, teach me to focus more on the things that are more eternally important.

**Theme:** GIVE DILIGENCE (Part 2)

**Text:** 2 Peter 1:1-21

Memory Verse: "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and

election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1:10

☐ Hymn 518: SOME CALL IT HEAVEN

### **MESSAGE:**

I was telling the ministers in a camp meeting some time ago while we were interceding for the programme and I said that when we get to heaven, the Lord will call to me, "Pastor Moses Alu, bring your own". I told them that the Lord will not be expecting me to bring my church members and I hope you know that too.

No Pastor will be taking his members to heaven, this is because there are some church members that do not want to go to heaven. I hope you understand this?

There are church members that are not interested in going to heaven and they are doing everything to prevent themselves from going. When a church member carries cocaine, is he thinking of going to heaven? When a church member is fornicating and prostituting, is she thinking of going to heaven? When a church member is lying, is he or she thinking of going to heaven? Has he or she not read in the Bible that fornicators will not inherit the kingdom of God?

Who are those that will be presented when the Lord Jesus Christ will say, "Pastor Moses Alu, where are your own?" I will bring brethren who through my messages and ministry received eternal life, that is, the baptism of the Holy Ghost. So, it means so much to me when we gather and only three people receive the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. I will be overjoyed because I know I have three. Some people will go with nothing but I am certain more than three people will receive the Holy Ghost because they came across this devotional. I am so sure!

"Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence (thoroughness, attentiveness, carefulness) to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1:10.

? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, I want to be in the number that is saved by grace.

2: Holy Spirit, guide me through so that at the end I will be with Christ in Heaven.

: Holy Spirit, teach me to focus more on the things that are more eternally important.

**Theme:** HEAVEN OR HELL? (Part 1)

**Text:** Mark 9:43-48, Matthew 7:13-14

**Memory Verse:** "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God, and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences."

2Corinthians 5:11

☐ Hymn 506: HELL! 'TIS A WORD OF DREADFUL SOUND

### **MESSAGE:**

One of these days you either end in Hell or in Heaven. Sure! One of these places, you must go. It is all depending on which one you chose while living in the land of the living.

Jesus Christ said in Mark Chapter 9 from Verse 43, "And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched. And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched, where their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched".

And He kept repeating it, Jesus kept repeating it but what was He saying, He was simply saying that if you know anything preventing you from going to heaven or from doing all you can to make sure that under any condition you run from Hell and get into Heaven; get into life, cut that thing, being or place off for there is a lake which burneth with fire, there are people now that are under torment. I don't know which one you are choosing.

And I believe brethren, that this is the knowledge that Apostle Paul had when he said knowing the terror of God, we persuade men. This life will end sooner than we think, it will. Where will you spend eternity? Is it in Heaven or in Hell?

1: Holy Spirit, teach me to cut off things I cannot carry through the narrow way that leads to life eternal.

2: My Father and my God, show me the way out of my present pitiable situation. I want to make heaven.

: Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me.

**Theme:** HEAVEN OR HELL? (Part 2)

**Text:** Mark 9:43-48, Matthew 7:13-14

**Memory Verse:** "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God, and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences."

2Corinthians 5:11

☐ **Hymn 310:** OH NO HAD I KNOWN

### **MESSAGE:**

Apostle Paul said knowing the terror of God, we persuade men, that is we preach; we ask of you that you take your eternal destination seriously. This life will end and though sister, you are beautiful now, yes you are pretty, Miss Nigeria, Miss Africa, Miss World, yes, but one of these days that your beauty will burn in Hell, that is if because of your beauty, you cannot serve God.

I see people going to church as if they are doing the pastor a favour by going to church. When you like, you go to church and when you like, you don't. Bible is a second book but you can spend a whole day reading newspaper and surfing the internet, but you can't spend five minutes to read your Bible in a day, why? Are you a child of Hell or a child of Heaven?

You said that you want to go to heaven but there are brethren in the church, you do boyfriend or girlfriend with and even sleep with one another and you are telling me, "It's because he/she is the one paying my house rent and taking care of me. My father and mother are poor. If this man/woman leaves me now where will I be?" Ok, continue oh.

Don't you hear the noise of souls crying in Hell and echoing, "God is a consuming fire" Yes you now understand "for God so loved the world", HE does not want us to perish and so HE gave HIS only begotten son, HE made a way of escape. God made a way of escape for you and for me and for everyone else who will believe.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

There are people screaming in Hell, only God knows how many years they have been there under that torment. You have no excuse; I have no excuse if after having this knowledge then I go and joke with my eternal destination.

"Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence (thoroughness, attentiveness, carefulness) to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1: 10.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 2 1: Lord Jesus Christ, I want to be in the number that is saved by grace, I don't want to be among those who will cry, "Oh, no had I known"
- 3 2: Holy Spirit, teach me to focus more on the things that are more eternally important.
- 3: Lord Jesus Christ, whatever will make me unworthy of being with You in glory please take it away.

**Theme:** HEAVEN OR HELL? (Part 3)

**Text:** Mark 9:43-48, Matthew 7:13-14

**Memory Verse:** "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God, and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences."

2Corinthians 5:11

☐ Hymn 506: HELL! 'TIS A WORD OF DREADFUL SOUND

### **MESSAGE:**

You may want to still ask, "Why we must get the Holy Ghost?" It is so that you can run away from that experience; to run away from that torment. I don't know whether there is anybody here that if you die today or tomorrow, your voice too will be among those voices screaming in hell.

Heaven is real also! It's real, it's real. My brethren, it's real. Jesus said that this Gospel of the kingdom will be preached round the whole world then the end will come. So, He is preaching now even among the scientists so that they will have no reason, they will now know why they will be condemned at the last day.

For them to make their choice, I read of one scientist that said that he does not believe in God or the Bible but now because of what they have found out, he now believes there is hell. There is hell, there is Heaven!

I don't know how many of us here that our own voices too will join those ones in hell that are wailing if you should die today or tomorrow? Ask yourself and answer yourself sincerely: "If I die today, will my voice be among those that will end up in torment? OR will I be in the bosom of the Lord?"

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, I want You in my life forever. Come into my life and dwell.

2: My Father and my God show me Your mercy; I don't want to be a candidate of hell.

Theme: HEAVEN OR HELL? (Part 4)

**Text:** Mark 9:43-48, Matthew 7:13-14

**Memory Verse:** "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence (thoroughness, attentiveness, carefulness) to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these

things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1:10.

**Hymn 151:** ONE OF THEM

#### **MESSAGE:**

With all the signs we have of the end, many still come to church and make the church look like a social gathering or a meeting ground to create political parties; for and against. I'm Bride, I'm Chosen, I'm Redeemed, be sure you are of Christ not just of a church oh! Because, when we get before the judgment seat of Christ, nobody is going to ask you whether you are in Bride Assembly or Catholic. Every one of us shall give account of ourselves, if you die tomorrow what account will you give of yourself?

Did you stand for the truth or you stood for watery Christianity? Fleshly Christianity! Maybe there is somebody that has backslidden so much in your mind, in your heart, you have not taken God seriously, and even now He is speaking to you. Even now He is with you. Even now, He is giving you a second chance that is why you have the opportunity to come across this devotional today.

I don't know who has decided to give his/her life to Christ today. This time now, you are not coming because you want prosperity or that you want husband but because you want to go to heaven.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

<sup>38</sup>"Then Peter said unto them, Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call" Acts 2:38-39

3 ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, I choose to repent of my wrongs and accept You as my Lord and Saviour right now.

\$\times\$ \times 2: Lord Jesus Christ, please guide me to all truth through Your Holy Spirit.

3: Lord Jesus Christ, keep me from being enslaved by the spirit of religion. Save me oh Lord My God!

Theme: HEAVEN OR HELL? (Part 5)

**Text:** Mark 9:43-48, Matthew 7:13-14

**Memory Verse:** "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God, and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences."

2Corinthians 5:11

☐ Hymn 205: NEAR THE CROSS

#### **MESSAGE:**

Have you made your decision yet? I hope you chose Heaven. If you chose heaven, then let the Lord know that you are serious. Let HIM see that you mean it. Take the steps:

"Then Peter said unto them, Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call" Acts 2:38-39.

And if you have come across this devotional as a backsliding brother or backsliding sister may this hymn, hymn 209 (LORD I'M COMING HOME) make meaning to you:

I've wandered far away from God, Now I'm coming home; The paths of sin too long I've trod, Lord, I'm coming home.

#### **CHORUS**

Coming home, coming home, Nevermore to roam; Open wide Thine arms of love, Lord, I'm coming home.

I've wasted many precious years, Now I'm coming home; I now repent with bitter tears, Lord, I'm coming home. I'm tired of sin and straying, Lord, Now I'm coming home; I'll trust Thy love, believe Thy Word, Lord, I'm coming home.

My soul is sick, my heart is sore, Now I'm coming home; My strength renew, my hope restore, Lord, I'm coming home.

My only hope, my only plea Now I'm coming home; That Jesus died, and died for me. Lord, I'm coming home.

I need His cleansing blood, I know, Now I'm coming home; O wash me whiter than the snow, Lord, I'm coming home.

Further Scripture References: Jeremiah 50:4-5, Luke 15:11-22

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 3 2 1: Lord Jesus Christ, my heart is heavy; my mistakes in life are weighing me down. Please roll this burden off me.
- 2: My Father and my God, show me Your mercy. I don't want to be a candidate of hell; I want to go to heaven. Rescue me from me, Lord Jesus Christ!
- 3: Lord Jesus Christ, I don't want to miss this opportunity You have given the whole world to be saved from the destruction that is coming upon this world. I don't want to miss it. Father, receive me, have Your way in me.

Theme: HEAVEN OR HELL? (Part 6)

**Text:** Mark 9:43-48, Matthew 7:13-14, Luke 15:11-22

Memory Verse: "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and

election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1:10

**Hymn 209:** LORD, I'M COMING HOME

### **MESSAGE:**

Come home my brother, you belong to heaven. Come home my sister, you belong to heaven. Satan wants to deceive you to hell, oh, don't allow him to succeed in your life. Satan wants to deceive you to hell because he has been sentenced to hell.

Hell was created because of Satan; it was not created for human beings so why not make up your mind today? This is the only opportunity; do you know whether you will be alive tomorrow or even in few hours' time?

What will you tell the Lord if He suddenly appears tomorrow? Will you go with Him? Will you go with Jesus or you will go with Satan to where you are to end up? Our Heavenly Father is still willing to accept you as His child while the opportunity still stands.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

I know I am speaking to you; your heart is convicting you right this moment. You do not need a formal church setting to take the first steps of believing in God's ability to save you, you must repent, that is, turn away from your sin, but then when this is done, you need to follow the steps placed by Apostle Peter:

"Then Peter said unto them, Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call" Acts 2:38-39

You can come to the Bride Assembly Church, Lagos or visit any living church around you that baptizes in the name of Jesus Christ and be baptized in water in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins. Then *ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost* from God. Choose Heaven!

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, I choose Heaven. Help me to be true to this decision in my words and deeds.

3  $\stackrel{\frown}{2}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, please give me Your Holy Spirit.

**Theme:** HEAVEN OR HELL? (Part 7)

**Text:** Mark 9:43-48, Matthew 7:13-14

**Memory Verse:** "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God, and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences."

2Corinthians 5:11

☐ Hymn 212: I BELIEVE GOD

### **MESSAGE:**

I don't know who else is battling with the Spirit of God. I don't know who else is battling with the Spirit of God, He is a merciful God. He is also a consuming fire, choose His mercy today. Don't choose His consuming fire; be saved by His mercy.

Reject fire, reject fire! Choose mercy, choose mercy! Declare to the Lord: "I choose mercy, Lord! I choose mercy Lord Jesus Christ; I am not repenting so that I will get a job or a wife/husband or a house or a car. I am repenting so that You will receive me into your bosom.

There is an assurance while you are still in the land of the living and it is in found in the word of God:

"The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit." Psalm 34:18

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise." Psalm 51:17

Yes, scriptures say: "Resist the devil & he will flee" but we don't have power of our own. We cannot make it to the final destination on our own that is why we are admonished in Proverbs 3:5-6; "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Oh! Halleluyah! Praise the Lord!

Follow this admonishment for it is very important that God takes hold of our spirit man. It is also very important that He takes hold of our heart for every day, we must choose by words or deeds, HEAVEN OR HELL. Someday, there will be no more option or extension.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, give me the overcoming power, the overcoming grace, to overcome the sin that is besetting me and to overcome my bodily weaknesses, as well as trials & temptations that keeps confronting me.

3  $\stackrel{\triangle}{=}$  2: My Father and my God, keep me reminded at all times that without You I am nothing and I can do nothing.

**Theme:** WORKERS OF INIQUITY

**Text:** Matthew 7:21-23, 2 Peter 1:10, Luke 13:23-24

Memory Verse: "And then I will profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me,

ye that work iniquity". Matthew 7:23

Hymn 106: REACH OUT, TOUCH THE LORD

### **MESSAGE:**

Matthew Chapter 7 from Verse 21 to Verse 22 says, <sup>21</sup>"Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. <sup>22</sup>Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works?"

This means that they were not using familiar spirits, they were deliverance ministers and they were mighty to the extent that once demons see them, the demons will run. And the miserable part is verse 23; "And then I will profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity". This Scripture should make everyone afraid; it is not everyone that is going to church, doing deliverance, mighty miracles, and signs and wonders that will enter the kingdom.

Now, note that Jesus Christ did not deny that they did the miracles in His name and for anybody to stand before Jesus and say in Your name I did this and did that, it means the grace was so much upon that person yet Jesus is saying He doesn't know the person.

Your pastor may know you; your church group may know you, your school may know you. Elders and even children in your neighborhood may know you but are you sure that Jesus Christ knows you? Brother, reach out and touch the Lord while you still can. Sister, reach and touch the Lord while you still can. Reach out and touch Him while you still can get His attention and get Him to guide you so you can correct your wrongs.

3 ? 1: My Father and my God show me the way to go beyond the anointing to becoming one with You – the Anointer; I want to be known by You.

3 2: Lord Jesus Christ, may I never get carried away by the gift and the anointing. Please cause me to know You the more.

3: Lord Jesus Christ, may I never end up rejected by You. May my labor in Your vineyard never end in vain.

**Theme:** STRIVE TO ENTER

**Text:** Matthew 7:21-23, 2 Peter 1:10, Luke 13:23-24

Memory Verse: "Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek

to enter in, and shall not be able". Luke 13:24

☐ Hymn 82: HE'S COMING AGAIN

### **MESSAGE:**

A question was thrown to Jesus Christ in Luke Chapter 13 and Verse 23, "Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that will be saved?" And in the next verse, that is, verse 24, we see the answer Jesus gave. "Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able".

"Strive to enter?" That means, "Struggle to enter". This also means that it is not everybody that will enter. But why should I strive to enter? The answer is in Matthew Chapter 22 and Verse 14: "For many are called but few are chosen".

When the children of Israel left Egypt for the Promised Land, how many of them left there? According to records, almost two million left Egypt including Moses. How many of them entered the Promised Land? Only two! So, it gives you an idea when He said "strive to enter" because "many are called but few are chosen". If we are to use this ratio, only one out of one million people entered the Promised Land. Do you understand what I am saying? One out of one million people entered the Promised Land.

I preached a message I titled "The Gospel according to nature" I explained how nature has made us to understand the Gospel. Do you know there is a law of God for reproduction? God, said, "Be fruitful and multiply". For a woman to conceive and bear a child, all she needs is one sperm that will fertilize the egg for her to conceive. But do you know that for the man to be able to impregnate his wife by producing that single sperm, he must have a minimum of 40-60 million sperm cells! Can't you see God speaking of something here? Now, He says strive to enter, as soon as the man meets his wife and releases those cells, the race begins. Where are they going? They are all running to enter and fertilize the egg. That is the meaning of strive to enter. "For many are called but few are chosen".

3 ♀ 1: My Father and my God, I can only make it by Your grace, save me by Your grace.

3 2: Lord Jesus Christ, I have not come this far to stop half-way. Please guide me through this journey of life even to the end of my earthly journey.

3: Lord Jesus Christ, show me mercy; I don't just want to be called, I desire to be chosen by You.

**Theme:** THE CHRISTIAN RACE

**Text:** Matthew 7:21-23, Luke 13:23-24

Memory Verse: "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and

election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1:10

**Hymn 161:** THE DAY OF REDEMPTION

### **MESSAGE:**

Why do we call it a race? It is because in every athletic race, there are winners and there are losers. All of them take off at the same time; some will be weighed down by hunger and thirst and so will fall by the wayside.

What is this speaking of? It is speaking of salvation. From this, you then understand why Apostle Peter said, "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence (thoroughness, attentiveness, carefulness) to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall neither fall." 2 Peter 1:10

Remember that they all took off from their different lanes but how many are the organizers looking for? First, second and third – gold, silver and bronze!

No athlete wants to fail. Thus, before starting, each of them is hoping to become the first three. So, you also understand Luke Chapter 13 and Verse 24, "Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able". Also, it is clearly said in Matthew Chapter 22 and Verse 14, "For many are called but few are chosen".

Then you also understand, Matthew Chapter 7 from Verse 21 to Verse 23 which says, <sup>21</sup>"Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. <sup>22</sup>Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? <sup>23</sup>And then I will profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity".

There is a race, brother! There is a race, sister! What will Christ say to you at the end of your own Christian race? I pray we each hear Him say unto us, the words in Matthew Chapter 25 and Verse 23, "His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord."

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, I want to end this Christian race well, please show me how to do so.
- 3 2: My Father and my God, help me to live a life that is worthy of Your commendation and acceptance.
- 3: Lord Jesus Christ, may I never be weighed and found wanted in my Christian race.

**Theme:** THE PREACHING OF THE CROSS

Text: 1 Corinthians 1:17-31

Memory Verse: "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but

unto us which are saved it is the power of God" 1 Corinthians 1:18

☐ Hymn 205: NEAR THE CROSS

### **MESSAGE:**

When you carry your Bible, there are decisions you have to make especially in this modern day of worldliness, worldly fashion. You have to decide not to go with the world in their fashions but when the people of the world look at you, they see you as a foolish sister or a foolish brother.

You do your business and you refuse to do it the way unbelievers do it, 'corner, corner'! To them they are making money more than you, to them you are foolish. Some of us that have associates, friends, classmates and even course mates out there that we were all there in the world with before we gave our lives to Christ; we know the kind of life we were living and saying we were "enjoying."

I was in Abuja some years back for one of our course mates, a retired general's thanksgiving and in the hotel where we were lodged, we were there by the pool side with other retired generals and suddenly we were joking when a phone call came in and they were making some caricature about the person whose phone rang, "tell this 'mumu' one...", and when I asked what the person meant by making such a statement, one of them replied that one of that general's girlfriends stored his number in her phone and the name she stored it with was 'mumu' one meaning that the young girl has 'mumu' one, 'mumu' two, 'mumu' three, 'mumu' four but He is 'mumu' number one.

And that was the kind of lifestyle we were living before and we didn't know better. We thought we were enjoying but suddenly we turned our back to that nonsense, when we had an experience of what the real life is.

And some of them think it's out of frustration that we decided to carry Bible and that it's out of frustration that we are now preaching. To them out there it is foolishness but to us

that are saved, the preaching of the cross is what? The power of God! It is the power of God.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINT:

3 2 1: Lord Jesus Christ, I refuse to be a *mumu* (a fool) all in the name of enjoyment or for the sake of being a happening person to the people of the world. Save me from me, oh Lord Jesus Christ.

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THE MONTH OF JULY

Theme: ADOPTED & REDEEMED (Part 1)

**Text:** Hosea 2:23, Ephesians 1:1-23, Galatians 4:1-7

Memory Verse: "To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the

adoption of sons" Galatians 4:5

Hymn 159: A CHILD OF THE KING

### **MESSAGE:**

There are two words that are used in relation to the purpose of salvation; one of them, used in the Scripture is redemption (to redeem). Galatians Chapter 3 and Verse 13 say, "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree." And another word is adoption (to adopt) and Romans Chapter 8 and Verse 15 say, "For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father." And these two words are used by the Spirit of God to give you an understanding of how you relate, and this is in regard to your relationship with God.

For adoption to be made possible, it has a process you undergo. Even to become legal parents, because there is a law that governs the adoption of anybody. Now the word, 'adopt', is used first and foremost, to bring you to a state of worthlessness.

To get this picture properly, look at the sinner as somebody who was suffering somewhere because he/she had no hope, no father, no mother, and that is because to the best of his/her knowledge: the person is an orphan. No helper!

Brethren in the same way, you had nothing, anybody could deal with you; you had no address, you had no identity, no surname. And this is how every one of us is spiritually before having that encounter with Christ Jesus. When God wants you to understand His love, He uses the word "adoption". You were nothing and all of a sudden, God came and adopted you. And He became your Father and gave you a Spirit of sonship. That now you can relate to Him as a Father and a child. Now, He presents the word "adoption" so that you will appreciate salvation.

1: My Father and my God, bring me to the understanding that I am Your own. Guide me to live by this truth.

2: Oh Lord, grant me Your Spirit of adoption. I no longer want to live in the bondage of sin.

: Lord Jesus Christ, by reason of Your death on the cross, You took away every curse laid on me and my family therefore, let every curse working against us be destroyed right now in the name of Jesus Christ.

Theme: ADOPTED & REDEEMED (Part 2)

**Text:** Hosea 2:23, Ephesians 1:1-23, Galatians 4:1-7

Memory Verse: "To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the

adoption of sons" Galatians 4:5

☐ Hymn 187: SUCH LOVE

### **MESSAGE:**

This hymn song comes alive as we meditate on this topic:

That God should love a sinner such as I, Should yearn to change my sorrow into bliss, Nor rest till He had planned to bring me nigh, How wonderful is love like this!

#### **CHORUS**

Such love, such wondrous love, Such love, such wondrous love, That God should love a sinner such as I, How wonderful is love like this!

When you look at your past testimony, how worthless you have been, and to see that God Himself came down and suffered to look for a worthless person like me. It gives you a reason to appreciate Him – to appreciate His love. So, when He wants to win you to Him, He comes by the revelation of adoption then after you have grown and now you are now established in a relationship with Him then He goes deeper to tell you that you are not just adopted, you are redeemed. Halleluyah!

Now, the Gospel has gone beyond, "Oh, I was worthless!" and the fear that maybe one day I could lose my salvation. One day, this man *fit vex, one day this God fit throw me away*. Then you are still afraid of Him because of your understanding. Then you are still living like some people teach, "You can lose your salvation". It's in all these your confusion that Jesus comes and says, "I have redeemed you; I am your Redeemer. You are not just adopted, you are redeemed." Oh, Praise God! Halleluyah!

3 ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, redeem me by the blood You shed on the cross of Calvary for me.

3  $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Oh Lord, remove every nature of the world in me and make me Your son.

3: Lord Jesus Christ, clear this confusion in my heart. Help me to accept Your truth about who I am in Christ Jesus. Help my faith oh Lord.

Theme: ADOPTED & REDEEMED (Part 3)

**Text:** Hosea 2:23, Ephesians 1:1-23, Galatians 4:1-7

Memory Verse: "To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the

adoption of sons" Galatians 4:5

☐ Hymn 187: SUCH LOVE

### **MESSAGE:**

Now, what is the meaning of redeem? Look at it this way, something that was yours originally, but you lost it. To bring it back, the process of buying it back is referred to by the word 'redeem'. You can only redeem something that was originally yours. Hallelujah!

Now you note that many who preach salvation, they just hang on adoption. And when you begin to tell them, that once you are saved, forever you are saved, it confuses them. But our eyes of understanding, God has opened it for us. That is what gives you the confidence, to walk with this God.

He brings you by that revelation of redemption to know that there is a relationship, Father-Son relationship, if you were worthless, if you did not belong to Him before, He wouldn't have stepped down from eternity and suffered all the things that He suffered.

You are so precious to Him, and He cannot go to that length to buy you back and then after the purchase, after He had paid the price, you then think He will lose you. Child of God! He will not lose you.

Now, you must be ready for a Father-son or Father-child relationship. If you commit anything, you will not go free just as you will not allow your child to misbehave so also, God will not allow you to misbehave because you belong to Him. The Bible says, "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, the Lord knoweth them that are his. (Then he added) And, let everyone that nameth the name of the Christ depart from iniquity". 2 Timothy Chapter 2 Verses 19

Ah hah! You have to understand the process of salvation. It gives you knowledge of a position you are in spiritually; not because you confess Jesus; not because you know

there is power in the name of Jesus, but because, hallelujah, there is a platform, a position you occupy in the kingdom of God. It's not the position of a servant; it's a position of a son. Hallelujah.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 3 ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, please give me Your Holy Spirit. I want to be assured of my salvation.
- 3 2: Holy Spirit, I desire a Father-child relationship with You; please train me up in the way I should go.
- 3: Lord Jesus Christ, clear this confusion in my heart, help me to accept Your truth about who I am in Christ Jesus. Help my faith oh Lord.

**Theme:** HEIRS OF GOD

**Text:** Romans 8:14-17, Galatians 4:1-7

Memory Verse: "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according

to the promise" Galatians 3:29

☐ Hymn 308: WE ARE HEIRS

### **MESSAGE:**

Let's take a look through the book of Romans Chapter 8 from Verse 14, <sup>14</sup>"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. (That is to say that we are now talking of, leadership). <sup>15</sup>For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. <sup>16</sup>The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: <sup>17</sup>And if children, heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together".

My emphasis in Verse 17 is "We are heirs of God. And we are joint heirs with Christ" Oh Glory! Halleluyah! Let's also see Galatians Chapter 4 and Verse 6 and Verse 7, 6"And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ"

The word "Heir" that is used in this context is talking about inheritance. Your position, it means that all that the Father has, it belongs to you.

We are therefore joint heirs with Christ, because Christ inherited all things being the First Born. If there is first, then there are other children and a father's property is shared among the children. Look at the authority that Christ has, He derived that authority from the Father. And God is telling us that the First Son received that authority, all other children will receive the same authority. Joint heirs even in inheritance, oh praise God, blessed be the name of the Lord.

? 1: Thank you Heavenly Father for making me a joint heir with Christ.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, in You I am free from the spirit of bondage to fear, please let me remain conscious of this.

: Holy Spirit, lead me through this journey of life.

**Theme:** SPIRITUAL PERFECTION (Part 1)

**Text:** Galatians 4:1-7, 1 Peter 5:1-11

**Memory Verse:** "But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen,

settle you." 1 Peter 5:10

☐ Hymn 67: TO BE LIKE HIM

#### **MESSAGE:**

Let's take a look into Galatians Chapter 4 and Verse 1, "Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;" because you are still a child. We are still children, so what does the Father do? We see what the Father does in verse 2, "But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father" — every father, who has a child that will inherit things from him, is certainly interested in the upbringing of that child.

When a man's wife gives birth to their first son, from the day that that child comes forth from his mother's womb, the man naturally looks at him as the person that will take over from him and although he is a child, hallelujah! He is a lord and yet he differs not from his father's servants.

He is the lord of that house but because he is a child there will be no difference between him and the servants in that house because authority has not yet been given to him. The father will now place his servants to be watching him, then at the appointed time — who sets the appointment? It is the father himself — based on the report of the tutors and governors; that is when he can now commit power and authority over to his children. Then you understand Ephesians Chapter 4 Verse 11, "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;"

1: Heavenly Father, cause me to learn all I need to learn, I am tired of acting as a baby and messing up in certain areas of my Christian life.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Holy Spirit, teach me to discern and distinguish my God assigned tutors from those who are enemies that are out to destroy me.

: Lord Jesus Christ, lead me through this journey of life.

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**Theme:** SPIRITUAL PERFECTION (Part 2)

**Text:** Galatians 4:1-7, 1 Peter 5:1-11

Memory Verse: "For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the

edifying of the body of Christ" Ephesians 4:12

☐ Hymn 67: TO BE LIKE HIM

### **MESSAGE:**

Let's take a look again into Galatians Chapter 4 from Verse 1 to Verse 2, "Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father."

This points out that it is the father himself – based on the report of the tutors and governors – that then sets the appointed time and it is at the appointed time that the father can now commit power and authority over to his child/children. Then you understand Ephesians Chapter 4 Verse 11, "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;"

And why will He give His children – the five-fold ministry – power and authority? Ephesians Chapter 4 from Verse 12 to Verse 13 says, "For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ."

This power and authority we receive is meant for the perfecting of the saints and this is in line with the sayings of Jesus as He admonished us in Matthew Chapter 5 Verse 48 where He said, "Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect". And the usage of the word, "Be Perfect" in this context is another way of saying, "be mature, and be responsible".

God is perfect, God does not do His things haphazardly; He does it perfectly, because He is a God of principles. So, you cannot be acting anyhow because you say, "I have power", no, no, no, no! It is all meant to bring us all to a state of spiritual perfection – spiritual maturity – spiritual responsibility. Halleluyah! Amen!

1: Holy Spirit, I desire to be perfect, please teach me to attain this perfection that Jesus spoke of in Matthew 5:48.

2: Lord Jesus Christ, forgive the ministers of Bride Assembly Church and me for circumstances where we have abused the power and authority You gave us over our biological and even spiritual family.

**Theme:** SPIRITUAL PERFECTION (Part 3)

Text: Galatians 4:1-7, 1 Peter 2

Memory Verse: "But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus

Christ. To him be glory both now and forever. Amen" 2 Peter 3:18

☐ Hymn 67: TO BE LIKE HIM

#### **MESSAGE:**

Jesus came to show us the way so, He is the example that every one of us is to follow and we can clearly see this in John Chapter 14 and Verse 6, "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

Now if Jesus is our example in regard to spiritual perfection, what is the example He left for us? We see that in Luke Chapter 2 Verse 52, "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man." Jesus, the first Son of God, increased in wisdom, and stature, and in favor with God and man. He increased it means he grew.

We are therefore admonished by Apostle Peter in 2 Peter Chapter 3 Verse 17 and Verse 18, "Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness. But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever. Amen."

The emphasis is "grow". The key word there is "grow". Grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and in 1 Peter Chapter 2 Verse 2 and Verse 3, Apostle Peter says, "As newborn babes, (note that when you give your life to Christ, you are a new born in Christ and so you are to) desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious".

Now, Apostle Paul makes it clearer as he explains further on the need to grow in Hebrews Chapter 6 Verse 1, He says "Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; - go on, move forward to perfection - not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God."

? 1: Holy Spirit, grant me understanding of the Scriptures and boldness to share the truth of Your word with others.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Holy Spirit, I desire to be increased in wisdom and stature and in favour with God and man. Help me, Holy Spirit.

: Holy Spirit, please keep me focused on Jesus Christ; the Way, the Truth, and the Life that leads to the Father.

**Theme:** JESUS PAID IT ALL

Text: Galatians 4:1-7

Memory Verse: "To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the

adoption of sons." Galatians 4:5

Hymn 481: I KNOW WHO HOLDS TOMORROW

#### **MESSAGE:**

All this fear – we fear – fear demons, fear evil uncle, you even fear death. You fear death because you do not know your origin, you are not sure of your origin.

"Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father." Galatians Chapter 4 from Verse 3 to Verse 6

If anything happens now and *they say make everybody run* or that everybody should go back to their villages. There will be two groups of people; one group is *those wey get better houses for their village, they don't care if they say make we go*. Such people will say, "I will go, thank God, I even have better accommodation in my village than Lagos here" but the second group that is *those wey no get house for village*, they will begin to purge and even epilepsy will catch them. Such people will say, "Go where? Where will I go? Go to where? Which village? And that is how it is with believers and unbelievers when a talk of death and eternal destination is raised up.

Even with regards to curses, Galatians Chapter 3 and Verse 13 say, "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree." Therefore, the reaction of believers differs from that of unbelievers when told of an existing ancient curse in his or her family's lineage or bloodline. Halleluyah! Jesus paid it all so child of God, fear not!

? 1: Holy Spirit, take over me. Destroy my fear and Help my faith.

2: Lord Jesus Christ, You paid it all. Please do not let me go back to my vomit.

: My Father, grant me knowledge and understanding of Your words and please give me the grace to share the truth of Your word with other people that come my way.

**Theme:** A TRUE SOLDIER

Text: Galatians 4:1-7, 2 Timothy 2

Memory Verse: "Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."

2 Timothy 2:3

☐ Hymn 253: IT PAYS TO SERVE JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

Unbelievers are afraid of death because they don't know where they are going, but you oh child of God, you have a place in the kingdom. And because of it, the type of fear they will fear is not the type of fear you will fear. Therefore, hypertension that comes from worry will not be your portion because there's nothing to worry to that level for.

And so, Romans Chapter 8 Verse 15 say, "For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father."

This is why I stand and speak boldly even though the way I preach the Gospel can cost me my life. If you kill me, number one, you will be killing me because of the ministry and interestingly they killed the early apostles but did the Gospel die? [Church says, "No"]. So, if it is the Gospel, you are fighting by killing me, then go back and see whether killing a man of God, can stop God's purpose.

Now, secondly, if you kill me because of the Gospel, if I die because of the Gospel, you have given me a big portion in Heaven. The pride of a real soldier is that you die on the battlefield because once you enter the military; you have signed your death warrant. You're ready to die for the nation, not for yourself, and it is a shame for a soldier to die from drinking beer.

When you become a Christian and a minister, you have also entered a battlefield and anything can happen, so you should be ready for anything. Praise the Lord. *No be say small hunger go just happen then you look left, look right come talk say, "make person no die with this hunger here o"*. And before anyone knows what is happening you don do wetin you no suppose do then you are saying, "Father have mercy, person no go die like that na".

Brother, sister; you are not ready for the Gospel. You are not ready for the battle, you have not counted the cost and you really need to count the cost else you make a shipwreck of your faith, blessed be the name of the Lord.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, take over me. Destroy my fear and Help my faith.
- 3 2: Lord Jesus Christ may my love for You be beyond words, let my actions demonstrate it also.
- 3: Heavenly Father, make me a true soldier of Christ.

**Theme:** THE BABY CHRISTIAN (Part 1)

**Text:** Galatians 4:1-7, 1 Peter 2:2-3

Memory Verse: "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word that ye may

grow thereby" 1 Peter 2:2

☐ Hymn 507: IN THE SECRET OF HIS PRESENCE

#### **MESSAGE:**

You cannot remain a baby forever! If a child is born today, as time goes on, it is only normal for the baby's mother to become worried if that child is not developing. Child of God, I say it again, "You cannot remain a baby forever."

A child was brought to my office during one of the Friday vigils. They brought him from Abuja, eleven years old but has the brain of a 3-year-old and the parents are carrying him everywhere they are worried.

So also, God gets worried when His own child refuses to grow spiritually. You are still a baby if after so many years of coming to Christ; you have no faith unless you meet your pastor or your prophet for prayers and worst till if it is for everything you rush to them or call them, you're still a baby.

It's a baby that cries to get the attention of his mother because he cannot express himself, so if all you do before God *na cry*, *cry*, and when something happens *you go siddown dey cry*, *crying*, "Father, is this how I will die? Will You leave me like this? Papa answer me *now now*" you are a baby. You are still a baby; you are still a baby!

Moses was crying like that one time and God asked him, why are you crying? What do you have in your hand? What do you have in your hand? Did I give you that stick to be caning people? *Ehen*, Hallelujah. He said speak; He said speak, He didn't say cry. When you cry over every situation that is a display of hopelessness in virtually almost every situation that faces you and that is evidence that you are still a baby.

? 1: Holy Spirit, help me to grow and develop in every sphere of my life.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{2}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ Help my faith.

: Heavenly Father, please let the hunger and thirst for Your word never cease in me.

**Theme:** THE BABY CHRISTIAN (Part 2)

**Text:** Galatians 4:1-7, 1 Corinthians 3

Memory Verse: "I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not

able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able" 1 Corinthians 3:2

☐ Hymn 491: BEAR THE CROSS

#### **MESSAGE:**

A baby that has started to have sense, but he is still crying every time; "milk milk, milk, mom I want breast". Every time he go cry and he go want him mama breast. Now he don grow teeth and them give am rice or eba to chop, and him dey cry, "mommy, mommy, uh uhn, I want milk". Something is wrong!

The mother of that child will certainly be angry with the child, why? Because, she has seen you have grown teeth and those teeth can chew meat and even crack bone and you are still looking for milk; you don't want to hear anything about mystery. There are even people who have come across the End-Time Message that know nothing about the Gospel other than water baptism, don't perm your hair, don't wear high heeled shoe, and then you think that you are a minister because you are a preacher, because you know don't paint, don't dress like this, don't do this, don't do that, the Gospel is more than that!

And mind you, a mother is always watching her child because he can break his teeth. My son broke his two forward teeth when he was two years old and my daughter while growing up began to play that type of rough play. My wife disciplined her and clearly said, "If I handled junior the way I am handling you now *he for no break him teeth*, I will not let it happen again". And so, she kept watching over the children more carefully. Now my son is old enough to take care of himself and his mother is no more watching him as closely as she is now watching our daughter.

But if at this point a woman still has to watch over her grown up child as if she is watching over a baby so that you will not injure, ah, you know something is wrong and if necessary you will take that child for deliverance especially if he moves carelessly, carrying knife, and other harmful things, *e fit carry poison drink sef*. Just as that child, grown but still in need of watchful eyes will always sustain injuries so also, Christians

always sustain spiritual injury. Break down here; break down there, wetin happen? You are yet to become matured and responsible in that area.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, I desire growth and development in areas I am lacking needed maturity and responsibility. Help me, oh Lord to understand who you have made me to be.

Theme: THE BABY CHRISTIAN (Part 3)

**Text:** Galatians 4:1-7, 1 Corinthians 3

Memory Verse: "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word that ye may

grow thereby" 1 Peter 2:2

Hymn 487: BACK TO THE BLESSED OLD BIBLE

#### **MESSAGE:**

If you are a Christian and you have no self-control, you don't know when to talk and when to keep quiet; you are a baby Christian because a child usually has no self-control. I was sharing a bit of knowledge with one of the ministers in my office the other day and I asked, "Is it every revelation we see that we must say?" Because it's not every revelation you see that is a message for that person. I said that there are people that come into my office and while they are talking something will flash. It is not for them, it is for me to know how to counsel them.

Now a man and a woman, actually husband and wife, and they came for counseling and the next thing you say, "Ah, sister *na you dey make this man make him no dey prosper o*. Since him marry you everything block. *Na demon husband wey you get na him dey attack am.*" You are a baby; you are a baby Christian, in fact, you're a deformed baby.

You give message finish; you have given the revelation so why are you asking for the phone number? You know the ulterior motive you have; you are still a baby. A baby can be very messy because no self-control. For how many years now, you have received that anointing, why is it that till now anytime the anointing comes upon you, you will slap everybody on your seat. For years, you are unable to outgrow that stage or level of operation; you are a baby, baby Christian! It is time to grow.

And 1 Peter Chapter 2 Verse 2 and Verse 3 says, "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious". Halleluyah! Amen!

3 ♀ 1: Holy Spirit, I desire growth and development in areas I am lacking needed maturity and responsibility. Help me, oh Lord.

3  $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, pull me out of this limitation and stagnation I have been in.

3: Heavenly Father, take me higher; move me to another level.

Theme: THE BABY CHRISTIAN (Part 4)

**Text:** Galatians 4:1-7, 1 Corinthians 3, 1 Corinthians 14

Memory Verse: "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word that ye may

grow thereby" 1 Peter 2:2

Hymn 473: CLOSER, LORD, TO THEE I CLING

#### **MESSAGE:**

There are some people, when they give "Thus saith the Lord"; they do not even know when to say thus saith the Lord because they cannot control the gift. Meanwhile the Bible says that the spirit of the prophet is subject to the prophet.

Somebody else is prophesying and another one is shouting to shut him up. Hey, Hey, Hey! Na Holy Ghost dey talk with you and na Holy Ghost dey talk over there. Holy Ghost dey tell Holy Ghost to shut up make I talk first, abi? You are a baby, you are a baby o; baby Christian!

The truth is the anointing was on you and you couldn't hold it, if not you could have waited because 1 Corinthians Chapter 14 says we should prophesy but turn by turn. Blessed be the name of the Lord. So, the parents are always cleaning up your mess, we are always here correcting, correcting, correcting, and correcting and by we; I am referring to matured believers, especially those who are of the fivefold ministry.

I remember going on an outreach with a prophet some years back. He was prophesying before a large crowd, and then suddenly he walked to the congregation and stood before a man that was holding a little child. He said, "Why am I seeing a dead child?" And the way he spoke, the whole crowd thought the dead is going to come back to life. Everywhere went charged, there was a vibration everywhere; the Bride TV crew member that followed us there was a in rush so as to cover when that child would be brought to life. Unfortunately, he sustained serious injuries due to a fall while running to the point where the prophecy was being given and I was at the podium and before you know what, the prophet left the person. So why did you mention the case?

I was at the altar tensed, what does this mean? But as parents, we are always cleaning the mess. So, when we went back to the hotel I then began to teach him, I pointed out to him

that God doesn't show me anything if there is no solution and what I told him pained him. He decided to sort it out with God and when he saw another serious case here in the church, despite my fears, he heard and gave the solution. Praise the Lord.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINT:

3 ♀ 1: Holy Spirit, I desire growth and development in areas I am lacking needed maturity and responsibility. Help me, oh Lord.

**Theme:** AN APPOINTED TIME

**Text:** Habakkuk 2:1-3, Hebrews 10:35-39

**Memory Verse:** "For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry"

Habakkuk 2:3

Hymn 44: HAVE THINE OWN WAY, LORD!

#### **MESSAGE:**

I remember a testimony I read from William Branham. He said that he had had a vision in which he saw a dead young man and he saw some other details. Now on his trip to another country, he suddenly saw a group of people gathered and while trying to find out what had happened he was told it was a hit and run by a fast-moving vehicle and the young boy was now dead.

People gathered there at the junction, and they were just looking, then he went there. And as soon as he got there, it was exactly the vision that he had seen and he had told the brethren with him to write it in their Bibles that though he doesn't know how or when it will happen but it will happen. And so, he called the people that went with him to remembrance, he asked them if they still remembered the revelation he gave so-so-so time and told them to write it in their Bibles? They confirmed it and He told them that this is it.

Now he said that when he went there, he told everybody to give way. Then he made a statement in his testimony, he said, "You know when you see a vision, it gives you boldness" He said that He spoke with boldness and what gave him that type of boldness was the vision he saw because he had seen that the boy came back to life and the circumstance was exactly what he saw in the vision. Now, he spoke boldly that if this boy doesn't rise then, you call me a false prophet and true to the vision the Lord had shown him, the boy came back to life. Blessed be the name of the Lord, hallelujah. When God speaks, He brings His word to manifestation. Child of God, there is an appointed time. Wait for it! Wait for it!

- \$\mathbb{A}\$\geq 1\$. Heavenly Father let the wonders You have shown me become my reality from this day onwards.
- 3 2. Lord Jesus Christ, grant me the boldness I need in my daily Christian living.
- 3 \$\infty\$3. Lord Jesus Christ, cause me to recognize when You are speaking to me and to be sensitive enough to know when what You have shown me is what is manifesting.

**Theme:** CAIN'S IDENTITY

Text: Genesis 4

Memory Verse: And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel your brother? And he

said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?" Genesis 4:9

Hymn 37: HAVE THINE OWN WAY, LORD

#### **MESSAGE:**

Do not be quick to condemn anybody and refer to that person as a serpent seed. Do not be quick in doing that, it is not easy to identify a serpent seed. But there is something that we use to immediately identify a serpent seed, we have a reference point and that reference point is the first visible serpent seed we know in the Bible and that is Cain. So, for you to identify a serpent seed, you must know the characteristics of Cain; that is, what was his character; his identity? Cain had **nothing in him to repent!** 

There was nothing in Cain to repent, even when God came personally to ask him in Genesis 4:9, "Where is Abel your brother?" what did he say? "I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?" He killed his brother and his conscience felt no guilt at all.

Until the day you catch this revelation you will not appreciate salvation, and why am I saying this? It is so that you might not be quick to condemn anybody, that he is a serpent seed. Child of God deal with that animalistic nature by coming plain before the Lord who is ever ready to help you out just as He was ready to help Cain before Cain crossed the line. God even warned Cain ahead and told him how to avoid the line of no return as we see in Genesis Chapter 4 Verse 6 and Verse 7: "And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? And why is thy countenance fallen? If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? And if thou doeth not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him."

- 3  $\bigcirc$  1. Heavenly Father as I journey from earth to glory, keep me from crossing the line of no return that leads to eternal damnation.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, may I always be sensitive to hear You and obey You promptly and wholly.
- 3 \Quad 3. Lord Jesus Christ, please keep me away from sin and the destructive lust it brings to the heart of men.

**Theme:** TWO TYPES OF SIN

**Text:** Matthew 12:31-32, Mark 3:28-29, Luke 12:10

**Memory Verse:** "Wherefore I say unto you, all manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto Men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto

men" Matthew 12:31

☐ **Hymn 61:** I SHALL NOT BE MOVED

#### **MESSAGE:**

Take note that there are two types of sin: the pardonable sin and the unpardonable sin. For the purpose of our study, Mathew Chapter 12 Verse 31 and Verse 32 have this to say: "Wherefore I say unto you, all manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto Men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men. And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speakest against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come."

Any sin against the Son of man, that is Jesus in His earthly ministry shall be forgiven but any blasphemy against Jesus Christ, as the Holy Spirit, working in His church shall not be forgiven.

The sin that Judas committed, was it against the Son of Man or against the Holy Ghost? It was against the Son of man that Judas sinned and not against the Holy Spirit. Is that sin forgivable hereafter or not? It is forgivable. And He; Jesus, hanging on the cross there, while His brethren, the Jews, were bad mouthing Him, nailing Him; He turned and said, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do?"

Judas did not know that what he did would end up like that. Take note; these two groups of people: Judas and those that hung Jesus Christ on the cross. Judas did not on his own, go to betray Jesus. Jesus Christ was the one that released the demon to enter him to fulfill all righteousness. Because, when Jesus Christ, at the last supper said, "one of you will betray me". Everyone said, "is it I? Is it I?" Judas as at that time, there was nothing in him, and in his thought to betray Jesus. He, Judas, like the rest of the Apostles also said, "Is it I?"

- 3 ♀ 1. Heavenly Father, may I never ever grieve Your Holy Spirit.
- 3  $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2. Lord Jesus Christ teach me to be silent when I have to and to speak only when I am supposed to and let it all be to the glory of Your name at all times.
- 3 2 2. Lord Jesus Christ, forgive me for my sinful lifestyle. Save me from me, oh Lord.

**Theme:** THE ELECT

Text: Isaiah 6, Romans 11

Memory Verse: "For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance."

Romans 11:29

**Hymn 68:** GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

#### **MESSAGE:**

In **Isaiah Chapter 6**, Isaiah was sent by God to go and blind the Israelites. They were under that blindness and it was for a purpose. God blinded them so that they will not recognize Him and so that salvation will come to us. Therefore, the Jews said, "Crucify Him; Crucify Him!"

However, Romans Chapter 11 Verse 1 says; "I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin"

Verse 25 to Verse 29 says,

<sup>25</sup>"For I would not that brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles be come in. <sup>26</sup>And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, there shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: <sup>27</sup>For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. <sup>28</sup>As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sake: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the father's sakes. <sup>29</sup>For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance"

I hope we are following. The fact that God deliberately blinded Israel for the sake of the Gentiles is a mystery. And that blindness is not forever, it is for a season, which ends when the fullness of the Gentiles has come into Christ. It is also not a full-blown blindness; it is partial, hence their conscience are not completely seared; no wonder Judas, whom you know was from Judah, repented. You see, Judas and the rest of the Israelites are elects of God for their fathers' sake. It is all about election and no elect would be lost. No wonder all Israel shall be saved.

For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance, therefore, all Israel shall be saved. All! When you talk of saved there; we are talking of life hereafter. We are talking of life hereafter because salvation is not now. Salvation will be finally established after the white throne judgment, after the rapture. Whatever we are doing now, is the salvation process. When you die now, you will go as it is written of you.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 3 ♀1. Heavenly Father, May I not get carried away by the gifts and Your call upon my life.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, may I never end up a cast away. Please may I be in the number saved by grace
- 3 P3. Holy Spirit, teach me to stop abusing and misusing Your grace upon my life in Jesus name.

**Theme:** GOD IS GOD

**Text:** Luke 7:36-50, Luke 13:10-17

Memory Verse: "God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? Or hath he spoken, and shall he not

make it good?" Numbers 23:19

☐ **Hymn 70:** HE'S EVERYTHING TO ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

God is God, not a human being. When you fall, He knows why you have fallen. Even in human legal system, it is the reason for an offence that determines the punishment that would be given to the offender. It is legally known as **mens rea**. That is, **the act is not culpable unless the mind is guilty.** 

God judges you according to the reason you fell, though He may condemn you as it were; but He will definitely forgive. Until you understand how God works, you will not understand mercy and grace. Pray that God will help you to understand His grace and mercy.

Expectedly, there are some people that may have doubts. You had better ask the Holy Spirit to reveal it to you. It is not how you would have wished a person's situation to end up that matters; it is what God has determined for that person that matters. If the fate of certain persons were left for us to decide, oh my; it is left to imagine what the world would have become but thank God that God is not man. Church, God is not man! God is God!

- 3 ♀1. Heavenly Father, thank You for being God, thank You for treating me as Your child.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, I know I have not been meeting up to Your standard, please help me to meet up.
- 3 3. Holy Spirit teach me to avoid taking matters into my hands and to stop concluding the story of people whose life and situation is still open for a change before You.

**Theme:** THE TEN-FOLD IDENTITY OF A MAN (Part 1)

**Text:** Genesis 1:27-31

**Memory Verse:** "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any

praise, think on these things". Philippians 4:8

☐ Hymn 256: A CHANNEL OF BLESSING

#### **MESSAGE:**

There are things any Christian man should be identified with and it is important that the men take note of this as well as the women. Women, you are the helpmeet, if you don't know what you are to help him become, then there will be confusion and even double confusion, if the man himself doesn't even know his identity and what qualifies him to be a man. So I will be sharing some points here, actually five out of the tenfold identities of a man;

- 1. Work: A man must work. It is the man's responsibility to work and be involved in the needed labour to cater for his family. Genesis 2:15, "And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it".
- 2. Courage: A man must be courageous. Challenges will certainly come but you must face it all and it begins by being courageous. Joshua 1:9, "Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest".
- 3. Strong: Being strong is not just physically and in terms of masculinity but also psychologically. A man must be strong. 1 Corinthians 16:13 "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong".
- 4. Love: A proper Christian man must have love for God and love for others. Matthew 22:37-40 "Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself".

5. Gets Married: You must marry so if you are not yet married, you are a boy and for a proper Christian man, marriage is to a woman; not a man and not just any woman but your wife. Genesis 2:24 "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh".

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 1: Lord Jesus Christ, please keep my marriage from crashing. Strengthen me and my partner through the ups and downs of life. See us through.

Theme: THE TEN-FOLD IDENTITY OF A MAN (Part 2)

Text: Genesis 18, Ephesians 5:20-24

**Memory Verse:** "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things". Philippians 4:8

☐ Hymn 256: A CHANNEL OF BLESSING

#### **MESSAGE:**

Today, I will be sharing two more of the tenfold identity of a man.

6. Head of His wife: A proper Christian man is the head of his wife and this is to say he is the leader. He leads his wife, he knows the way, shows the way and goes that way. Ephesians 5:20-24 says, "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything". So, you see that being the head does not mean there won't be times you have to listen and even submit to the suggestions of your wife as we see in Ephesians 5:21.

7. Head of His family: Now it is important to state that a proper Christian man is expected to be the head of his entire family and not just his wife; know the way, show them the way and lead them through it. Genesis 18:19 "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him". Won't you like to be like father Abraham?

2 1: Lord Jesus Christ, speak to brothers and sisters; married or unmarried through today's devotional.

3  $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, set homes in order through today's devotional; let all that has gone wrong be corrected this day in Jesus name.

3: Heavenly Father, help the males in my life to be who You have made them to be. Let them know the way, show the way and lead us rightly through the way we should go as a family.

Theme: THE TEN-FOLD IDENTITY OF A MAN (Part 3)

**Text:** Genesis 1:27-31

**Memory Verse:** "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things". Philippians 4:8

☐ Hymn 256: A CHANNEL OF BLESSING

#### **MESSAGE:**

The tenfold identity of a man; oh halleluyah! Alright let's look at the remaining and I trust God is speaking to the heart of someone.

- 8. Fruitful and Productive: A man must be fruitful not just by way of producing children; he has to be productive and live a prosperous and profitable life that is capable of providing for his family. 1 Timothy 5:8 "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel".
- 9. Protector: A man is the gatekeeper of his home and must protect his family security wise. Mark 3:27 "No man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house".
- 10. Honourable: A man must be honourable. Your honour has a way of speaking not just for you but also for your wife and children as well as extended family members who bear the same name as you, so you must be honourable. Philippians 4:8 "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things".

\Quad 1: Lord Jesus Christ, help the males in my life to be who You have made them to be. Let them know the way, show the way and lead us rightly through the way we should go as a family.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, bless the works of the hands of every male in my life, please lift up the burdens weighing them down.

: Heavenly Father, all the areas where the males in my life have not be able to meet up and function as the men You have made them to be, please turn situations around for their good. Help them to overcome the challenges life keeps throwing at them that they may be leaders not just out there but also at home.

**Theme:** AS THOU HAST BELIEVED

**Text:** Matthew 8:5-13

Memory Verse: "And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour"

Matthew 8:13

☐ Hymn 01: ONLY BELIEVE

#### **MESSAGE:**

Matthew Chapter 8 from Verse 5 says, <sup>5</sup>"And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, <sup>6</sup>And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. (That means he was paralyzed) <sup>7</sup>And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. <sup>8</sup>The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. <sup>9</sup>For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. <sup>10</sup>When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. <sup>11</sup>And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>12</sup>But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth".

My emphasis is verse 13, Matthew Chapter 8 Verse 13, "And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour".

My emphasis is the statement that the Lord Jesus Christ made, "As *Thou* hast believed, so be it done unto thee," as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee, as thou hast believed." So how do you believe, it matters? It is how you believe that God works with you.

This is the Scripture that lets me know that God honours faith. Praise God! This God we serve, He honours faith. He honours faith, as thou hast believed. Now, nobody told him what to do, the centurion was not repeating what anybody taught him to do. He said,

Look, just speak. He had faith on the Lord Jesus; he knew Christ was a Man of authority. After hearing all the testimonies, he was not even a Jew. He was not even a Jew, but He had what He desired of the Lord. "As Thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee,"

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER **POINT:**



3 ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, help my faith oh Lord.

**Theme:** GIVE

**Text:** Proverbs 11:24-28, Luke 6:38

Memory Verse: "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is

that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty". Proverbs 11:24

☐ Hymn 25: I SURRENDER ALL

#### **MESSAGE:**

I will never forget as I was watching an interview on NTA of the late Chief MKO Abiola, and this was many years ago but before his death. The late Chief MKO Abiola was a Muslim and was always giving out money to people, in fact everyone he came across, all you needed to do was just see him, once you see him, whatever you need, he will give you.

The presenter was asking him in that interview, "You are always giving-giving and giving, aren't you afraid that it will finish one day? Isn't it affecting you?" And the late Chief put his hand in his pocket and when he brought it out, he stretched forth his hand as if he wants to give the journalist something. Now this journalist also stretched forth his hand to receive.

Then the late MKO Abiola asked him, "Whose hand is on top? The presenter said, "It's your hand". He then asked the presenter again, "Whose hand is under?" And the presenter said, "My own hand is under?"

He then told the presenter, "As I give, I remain on top. The more I give, the more I'll keep remaining on top". Now, this is a Muslim, he didn't read it from the Bible but he kept to the principle while he was alive and he was constantly on top. Amen! That means giving is not just a Christian principle, it is a general principle for living. Halleluyah!

Luke 6:38, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again".

? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, cause me to always obey Your instructions wholly and promptly.

 $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, touch my heart and make me a cheerful giver.

: Holy Spirit, please guide me to give for the right reason that pleases You.

Theme: STUDY (Part 1)

**Text:** Proverbs 1:1-6, 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Memory Verse: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not

to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15

Hymn 427: O JESUS, SAVIOUR, GROW IN ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

<sup>1</sup>"The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel; <sup>2</sup>To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding; <sup>3</sup>To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity; <sup>4</sup>To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion. <sup>5</sup>A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels: <sup>6</sup>To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings." Proverbs 1:1-6

The Book of Proverbs is not for Christians, only. The Book of Proverbs is wisdom for living on this earth for every human being. Why not go and study that book and learn how to live your life, it is the book of wisdom for living.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works".

And so you see people who study, they even study human beings and instead of you to look at a brother or a sister that you see with something that you know that stands him out; something that makes and keeps him, a successful person in any area of life, especially in an area that you desire but you're not there. Instead of you to go closer to that person and see what you can learn from there, they instead, will get jealous. And I've observed in my study, people who live such lives, they never progress and it is because such jealous people do not know the principle of life and they are not willing to learn.

Some people destroy their lives and their future without knowing they are destroying their future by the way they relate with other people. Study! Study! How is this man making it? Come close! Yes! There are people that will not want you to know this is

the secret of their success because they don't want you to succeed. It's okay, after all you are not dependent on them, you only want to learn so you can learn secretly too, praise God.

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 3 ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, please do not allow me to destroy my life.
- 3 2: Lord Jesus Christ, grant me the spirit of humility and make me teachable.
- 3: Holy Spirit, please help me to understand as I study and help me to apply as I learn and to see the manifest breakthrough and blessings speedily in every sphere of my life.

## THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE JULY 25

Theme: STUDY (Part 2)

**Text:** Proverbs 1:1-6, 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Memory Verse: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not

to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15

Hymn 427: O JESUS, SAVIOUR, GROW IN ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

A friend of mine who became the director of Air Force finance, I understand that he was a cook working for Obasanjo and they were recruiting people in the Air Force. So, he begged Obasanjo, or I think he begged one of the people working with Obasanjo. You see! He was thinking of moving forward and he said that they eventually recruited him into the Air Force. He got the rank of corporal. And he discovered that if you read and get degree there is something, they call the direct short service; you become an officer. He started reading. This is something he shared with me personally, he started reading; he got his GCE as a corporal and then He entered but I don't know which school, you know, he went to read, working and studying part time and then he got his certificate.

He said that throughout that period of schooling, he was a member of the deeper life and throughout that period *him own na*, church, come back home, read, go to work, church, come back, go for duty, come back. He was pursuing something, this rank *wey una* get? I go get am one day. Amen.

And eventually he got his degree and put in. And that was the period they were looking for officers in a finance corps and he was in finance, he read accountancy. And it was said, "Ah! Our own *dey* here, why do we have to go out there to look for someone to fill the position, so this one *na* automatic and that's how he became an officer. While his mates were still sergeants, he became a flying officer equivalent of full lieutenant and moved from other quarters to senior officers' quarters. Now and that is how he grew in the rank and became the director of Air Force finance. Why? He studied. How will I get to this? How will I get to this level? And he pursued it.

But some people are sitting down and content with their estate and life is not like that. See, you can be better than what you are now. I don't know if you understand what I'm talking about, I say you can be better than what you are now. Amen and Amen.

1: Lord Jesus Christ, may my life be better than that of my parents.

2: Holy Spirit, keep me pushing in every area of my life to be better than I was yesterday.

### THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE JULY 26

31 Theme: WHAT WILL YOU GIVE IN EXCHANGE?

**Text:** Mark 8:36-37

Memory Verse: "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and

lose his own soul?" Mark 8:36

☐ **Hymn 131:** WHAT WILL YOU GIVE IN EXCHANGE?

#### **MESSAGE:**

I was discussing with my brother, Dr. Cosmas Maduka [CON] (CEO, Coscharis Group of Company) and then I made a comment and he said, brother, forget it, if it comes to money, there's always somebody that you will see that is better than you.

He said that when it comes to money, there is no satisfaction. The only thing that restrains you is your Christian faith and that is what makes you to know that that is not your line; that is not what you're supposed to pursue; you have eternal life to pursue too.

He said because if you think you are a millionaire, then there is a billionaire somewhere. If it is a billionaire, then there is a person worth trillions somewhere. If you think you are worth trillions, then you also have to boast which assets do you have?

He said, "There is always someone better than better and better and better, so, aspirations never end. You always want to aspire, aspire and so on and it's part of living; it's part of life until you reach a stage where you can no more pursue.

Brethren, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ admonished us in the book of Mark Chapter 8, Verse 36 and Verse 37 where he said, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

- ? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, please divinely intervene and stop any attempt to exchange things of this world for my precious soul.
- 2: Heavenly Father, May I never get carried away by the lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes and pride of this life. Always keep me focused on You Lord Jesus Christ.
- : Holy Spirit, in my pursuit for a better life please make me sensitive enough to know when the next step can cost me my soul and please guide me away from falling into such traps and snares that have been set for the souls of men.

### THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE JULY 27

Theme: UNDERSTANDING HOW GOD WORKS (Part 1)

Text: Matthew 8

Memory Verse: "And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame

hour". Matthew 8:13

☐ Hymn 135: HOW GREAT THOU ART

#### **MESSAGE:**

"As thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee." so how do you believe? Because it is how you believe God, or you can say it is the extent to which you believe God that God will honor you even as you are walking with Him.

Matthew Chapter 8 from Verse 5 says, <sup>5</sup>"And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, <sup>6</sup>And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. <sup>7</sup>And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. <sup>8</sup>The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. <sup>9</sup>For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it."

The centurion spoke of his understanding of how God works based on how He works as a man under authority. Oh. Halleluyah! He had studied the similarities, that's why we see the reaction in Matthew Chapter 8 Verse 10 "When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel." This type of faith; this type of understanding of how God works; authority, just say it, speak it to reality.

I know you cast out devils; you are a man of authority. Demons see you and bow. Always when you speak, things happen; I know if you speak, something will happen because me myself, I am a man of authority. I'm a soldier, when I tell my servants come, he comes, go, he goeth; speak, I know it will happen. And child of God, I hope you know we have that same authority? What you set your mind on, your faith hits and what your faith hits, that is what God honors.

? 1: Lord Jesus Christ, enlarge my coast and the capacity of my mind to be able to carry the abundance You want to bring to manifestation in my reality.

2: Holy Spirit, grant me understanding of Thy workings.

: Holy Spirit, keep me hearing Thy word for I know out of it comes faith that can move mountains and change situations.

### THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE JULY 28

Theme: UNDERSTANDING HOW GOD WORKS (Part 2)

**□ Text:** Matthew 9:20-33

**Memory Verse:** "And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment". Matthew 9:20

Hymn 135: HOW GREAT THOU ART

#### **MESSAGE:**

The centurion's own, he just said, "speak" but there is another woman whose own is "if I can just touch the hem of his garment, I know this 12 year old problem would be over." Who tell am to do that one? Who did she copy it from? Which testimony did she hear? Nobody!

If you read that story, there were so many people that were following him so when Jesus turned and said that somebody had touched him; you know the disciples said, "Ah! See plenty people everywhere *na*, *which one be* somebody touched me when everybody here is pushing and the crowd is too much". But Jesus said, "I perceive it because virtue left Me". Why? Because it was not the same type of touch other people were touching Him. Oh, praise God! It's not the same type of touch, it is a touch that says, "If only I can touch Him", Amen.

Sometime ago in a programme, I was leading prayers and going through the crowd and as I was passing, I noticed somebody drew my cloth. I didn't see who did it, so I continued but when I came back to the altar, the Lord spoke to me concerning the person that touched my cloth. I then said, "When I passed through that area, somebody touched my cloth, who is the person?" The man stood up in fear and I asked just to be sure, "So you are the one that touched my cloth?" He said, "Yes" and I told him what the Lord said. I said, "You believed God that if you touch me you will get a visa to travel out". He said, "Yes" and I told him that the Lord said that He has honoured his faith.

I forgot about it until sometime later, I was in London and a brother came to me and told me, "I am that brother that drew your cloth at so-so and so programme. The word you spoke over my life came to pass". Oh, Praise God! Amen!

Now, if you are looking for visa and you touch me because of this testimony e no go work for you oh. Do you understand what I am saying? E no go work for you oh. Praise the Lord. Because there was an understanding the brother had that produced his faith and that faith caught God's attention and produced that miraculous answer to the situation he was going through.

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER **POINT:**



3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, grant me understanding of Thy workings.

### THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE JULY 29

Theme: UNDERSTANDING HOW GOD WORKS (Part 3)

Text: Matthew 8, Matthew 9:20-33

**Memory Verse:** "And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame

hour". Matthew 8:13

☐ Hymn 202: I MUST TELL JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

One of the Brothers we met when we went for a programme, Brother Chinedu from Owerri, was telling us that he had watched the ministers of Bride Assembly Church minister on the television so much that he has so much faith.

He was facing a lot of frustration and as God would have it, something brought him to Lagos. He said that he prayed "If only Pastor Moses can just touch me but how can I get to him? He doesn't know me; how will I get to him? But I know if only he can just touch me, I know this frustration will be over".

He was sharing this testimony with us; me and some other ministers that went to minister at Owerri. He said that service was going on and it was question and answer session and while I was answering questions, I walked to where he was sitting and I was touching him as I was using him to given an example of what I was explaining in that service and he was saying in his heart, "Oh God, is this how you work?"

"As thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee". Halleluyah! And of course, he went to show us the proof that the frustration that had affected his finances had ended. The car he came to carry us with was his, he had gotten brand new cars, and then he took us to a duplex he just completed and it's a beautiful place. He got the breakthrough; God honored his faith. Now as for you, how do you believe? What is your understanding of how God works and how He will change your situation?

Some, they make a vow and it works for them. Some, they use an offering and it works for them. Some even praise God and it works for them. And as for some people, they have to do fasting. Anytime, they take that fast something happens; not just fasting but a particular type of fast, they know a miracle must occur. Testimony must manifest.

? 1: Holy Spirit, please make me sensitive to what You are saying and the directive You are giving me.

2: Lord Jesus Christ, make clear to me how You are working with me.

: Holy Spirit, please confirm Your reality to me, I seek testimonies of Your reality in my life.

### THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE JULY 30

Theme: UNDERSTANDING HOW GOD WORKS (Part 4)

**Text:** Matthew 8, Matthew 9:20-33

**Memory Verse:** "And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame

hour". Matthew 8:13

☐ Hymn 223: WE HAVE AN ANCHOR

#### **MESSAGE:**

A young man said that he decided from when he started a new job that instead of giving 10% as his tithe, he says that he was always giving, I think it's either 20% or 50% and he made the vow that until he marries, he will be giving that percentage of his salary every month for the work of the ministry. That was his faith.

He said that was his own tithe. He was challenged by almost everyone; even his parents queried him, "What kind of thing is that?" He said that he told them that it's a vow that he made to God. People still questioned his believe and action; "You are from a poor family, what kind of thing is this? How can you be giving more than 10% of your salary to the church or to God?"

The guy eventually moved to Port Harcourt and got married to his wife. The testimony is that he had the type of wedding that millions were spent but not one kobo came from his pocket. He said all he knew was someone got in touch with him, "You're getting married, abi? Ok, select any hall you want to do the something and we will pay, that was how he got the hall.

Another one offered to cater for all the food and the drinks and that was how one by one, everything was sorted out with almost no kobo coming in from him. He just kept receiving calls and messages, "I will provide for this. I will provide for that. I will take care of this. I will take care of that. I will offer this. I will offer that" And above all, he said his *oga* in the office bought a brand-new car and gave it to him as a gift. Child of God, you can only receive to the extent to which your faith can pull God to act. "As thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee". Praise the Lord.

? 1: Heavenly Father, confirm the reality of these testimonies by moving me to take the needed action that will yield the miraculous testimony I have been waiting on You for.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, please do not allow me to give up due to challenges. Please help me to stay obedient to You.

: Holy Spirit, through the trying times help me to keep believing in that specific directive You have given unto me.

### THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE JULY 31

Theme: UNDERSTANDING HOW GOD WORKS (Part 5)

Text: Matthew 8, Matthew 9:20-33

Memory Verse: "And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame

hour". Matthew 8:13

**Hymn 222:** TAKE THE NAME OF JESUS

### **MESSAGE:**

Some will withdraw and go to a mountain. Anytime they go and come back, something always happens. I know also of a woman that was looking for the fruit of the womb for years. She went everywhere and so she finally decided that every day, she will come and clean the church and clean the altar and every day when she finished cleaning, she would kneel down at the altar, and cry to God, "I have cleaned Your church, now clean my own womb, remove the thing that is delaying it. As I have cleaned Your temple, clean inside of me too".

The reproach was too much and her in-laws were on her neck. Imagine how such a person will feel and the desperation with which she decided to be cleaning the church. She said that she will come and before people wake up, she has cleaned everywhere. Sometimes they won't even know who came to do it. Until one night she was kneeling down, an elderly man spent the night in the church also praying and he went and tapped her and said, "I don't know what you are believing God for but the Lord spoke to me that I should tell you that He has granted your heart's desire".

And that month she became pregnant. Nobody told her to go and sweep the church, nobody told her that and don't go and sweep the church because of what I have spoken because it doesn't carry the same effect. Everybody has his own way in which God has chosen to work with him or her. Find yours!

? 1: Heavenly Father, confirm the reality of these testimonies by moving me to take the needed action that will yield the miraculous testimony I have been waiting on You for.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, please do not allow me to give up due to challenges. Please help me to stay obedient to You.

: Holy Spirit, through the trying times help me to keep believing in that specific directive You have given unto me.

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THE MONTH OF AUGUST

**Theme:** AUTHORITY AND POWER (Part 1)

**□ Text:** Matthew 17:14-21

Memory Verse: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love,

and of a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7

☐ **Hymn 51:** GLORY TO HIS NAME

#### **MESSAGE:**

I asked my wife a question while we were inside a car travelling, I said, "what is the difference between authority and power", she couldn't give me the answer. I myself with my own definition I could not break it down while trying to give an answer to my question. Praise the Lord.

However, it is authority that gives power. "Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above:" John 19:11. So, power is derived from authority. So how do I define it now? So that's all I told her too is my answer. We have authority from where we derive power. But many of us, we have the authority but we have no power.

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." Matthew 28:18.

"Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you." Luke 10:19

That is the authority. That is what gives you the power. But what identification will you have to confirm that you have that power?

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7. Oh, Halleluyah!

1: Glorious Father, teach me to work in the consciousness of who I am in You.

2: Lord Jesus, search my heart, take away the spirit of unbelief. Rid me of doubt.

3: Holy Spirit, guide me to henceforth stand against principalities and powers that have risen against the establishment of the Kingdom of the Lord here on earth and even in the hearts of humans.

**Theme:** AUTHORITY AND POWER (Part 2)

**Text:** Matthew 17:14-21

Memory Verse: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love,

and of a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7

☐ Hymn 51: GLORY TO HIS NAME

#### **MESSAGE:**

From morning till evening, they tried to cast out that spirit – all the disciples, none of them. Open Matthew 17. I want somebody to learn something. Apply what I'm teaching you.

Verse 19:"Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out? - Despite the power you have given us, <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said unto them, - That is where we are going now. Why could we not cast those spirits out?

Why is that problem not hearkening unto your command? Despite your being born-again – filled with the Holy Ghost - According to Jesus, He said that one of the reasons is *because of your unbelief:* - How can you say it is because of my unbelief? How do I not believe but I'm going there to cast out devil?

Listen church, you may stand before a demon and you are casting out, "I bind you, I cast you" and though it is still an action, yet embedded therein is unbelief. You'll ask how? Then answer this question also why did you go to cast out the spirit?

You have to have confidence. See! Unbelief! Unbelief will hinder the manifestation of the power of God. That's why several times in the Bible when God wants to manifest Himself by allowing the Devil to come near you, first before He will step in, the first thing He will tell you is, "Fear not!" because if you fear, you will disturb what He wants to achieve. Amen! Child of God you have power in Christ Jesus.

2 1: Lord Jesus, search my heart, take away the spirit of unbelief. Rid me of doubt.

2: Glorious Father, keep me trusting You. Guide me to always kick out fear and let faith in You lead me all through.

3: Lord Jesus Christ, boost my faith in You. Keep me reminded of Your word daily for I know faith cometh by hearing the word of God.

**Theme:** AUTHORITY AND POWER (Part 3)

**□ Text:** I SAMUEL 17:42-51

**Memory Verse:** "Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts,

the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied". 1 Samuel 17:45

☐ **Hymn 135:** HOW GREAT THOU ART

#### **MESSAGE:**

When a young and probably small-looking boy; David, came to face Goliath and Goliath boasted: "I will feed you to the fowls of the air, I will do this, and I will do that" because of his strength. For somebody, small and child-like, facing a giant such as Goliath, it was not a vision he saw but there was something he cherished. The Bible says, God had introduced himself to Israel, and He said, "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, that is my name forever" David knew that. And so he looked at Goliath and could boldly say, "You come against me by your might, by your weapons, by your size, but I come against you by the name of the God of Israel".

You are standing before somebody that can cut off your head. A small or tiny boy like that and you're not afraid. Why? He knows what that name can do. He has confirmed it. He was watching over the sheep of his father; a bear came, another time a lion came, as tiny as he was, he pursued those two deadly animals and delivered the sheep of his father with his bare hands. "Is it you this uncircumcised Philistine that will stand against me?"

"I come against you by the name of the God of Israel" and the only weapon he had, oh, they were five of them and he released only one. Oh! He was going to release the five of them. Only one! Jesus is the same yesterday today and forever! There is power in the name of Jesus. I say, "There is Power in the name of Jesus!"

2: Lord, consecrate my tongue to exercise the power in Your Name - Jesus.

2: Lord Jesus, as I step out this day, let Your presence accompany me that I may be untouchable even in the midst of the enemy.

3: Glorious and eternal Father, guide me to activate the power You have given me to stand against the wiles of the devil.

**Theme:** SATAN CANNOT CAST OUT SATAN

**Text:** Psalm 66:18, Matthew 12:24-29

Memory Verse: "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee".

Psalms 119:11 (KJV)

☐ Hymn 140: REDEEMED

### **MESSAGE:**

Satan cannot cast out Satan. Halleluyah! If you harbor any unconfessed sin, the Lord will not hear you. The psalmist said, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me" Amen. That's why he said, "thy word have I hidden in my heart that I may not sin against you". If you are having any unconfessed sin, you're wasting your time. You cannot go to that battle and win for that demon husband, that demon wife, is described as the accuser of the brethren. He will continue to pursue you if you have his property.

Jacob had to leave Laban for his freedom. He left with his two wives, but one of them took the idols of their father – Laban. Rachel did that and therefore, Laban was justified to pursue them. If you hold any property of the devil he will continue to pursue you. If you are ignorant, it's a different thing. But in a church like this where we have told you God's standard for righteousness, what you should permit around you and what you should not permit around you. And yet you keep them, you have no excuse again. The accuser of the brethren will accuse you, "You hold my property, you hold my property" some of the things we put on – women - they are the property of *mammy* water.

So mammy water is connected to you through that item and you can't therefore go for deliverance from mammy water. You can't even wake up and say, "I see myself dey swim for dream - I cancel that connection I have with marine spirit. From now on I will not go again" na lie! Because as you dey sleep finish after that prayer, na there you dey again. Why? Their property is with you, Satan cannot cast out Satan. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

2 1: Lord Jesus, I come before You in genuine brokenness, I seek for Your mercy for my unbelief.

2: Lord Jesus, whatever the accuser of the brethren has against me that is the reason my prayers are not being answered in Your mercy, expose them to me and let such things or people or places be separated from me.

3: Glorious and Eternal One, cause my life to align with You that I may walk blameless before You.

**Theme:** WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? (Part 1)

**Text:** Proverbs 15:1-2 & 4, James 3

Memory Verse: "He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life [but] he that openeth wide

his lips shall have destruction." Proverbs 13:3

☐ Hymn 28: FILL MY WAY WITH LOVE

#### **MESSAGE:**

If the Holy Ghost dwells in you then it is expected that we will keep this temple of God, Holy. Keep anything that will defile it away or you lose the power that the temple is supposed to produce. It's a house of prayer. Therefore, Prayer and all other things that should be coming out of your mouth should be things that edify, things that build, things that bless. Amen. That's why in Proverbs 18:21, scripture says, "death and life is in the power of the tongue" and it says in James Chapter 3, verse 6, "The tongue is a fire" fire, fire o! And Proverbs Chapter 15 and verse 1 & 2 says, "A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger. The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness."

Also, Proverbs Chapter 15 and verse 4 says, "A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit."

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

2 1: Oh Merciful Father, teach me to tame my tongue that I may not defile myself with unwholesome talks.

2: Holy Spirit, I desire to eat the fruits of my positivity, teach me and guide me to speak positive things and create the right situation and circumstances with my mouth.

3: Glorious Father, let Your beauty be seen in me especially in words and in thoughts. Amen

**Theme:** WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? (Part 2)

**Text:** Proverbs 15:1-2 & 4, James 3

Memory Verse: "He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life [but] he that openeth wide

his lips shall have destruction." Proverbs 13:3

☐ **Hymn 67:** TO BE LIKE HIM

#### **MESSAGE:**

Proverbs 13:2-3. It says: "A man shall eat good by the fruit of [his] mouth: but the soul of the transgressors [shall eat] violence. He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life [but] he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction." Destruction! Praise the Lord and that's destruction caused by idle talk.

Proverbs 15:4 says: "A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit." I emphasize it again: "A wholesome tongue [is] a tree of life: but perverseness therein [is] a breach — hindrance - in the spirit" because sweet water and bitter water cannot come out from the same fountain. The Bible says so. Amen.

Let's read one more scripture, Proverbs 21:23; "Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles." Underline it in your Bible. Whoso keepeth his mouth – that is, the person that tames his mouth – keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

Idle talk discharges the power of the tongue. You sit down and say nothing that edifies. You only gossip. Christians will sit down and the thing that doesn't concern them is what they are talking about for 3-4 hours. Ah! Christian! Brother Christian! Sister Christian! That's why God hates gossip.

God hates murmuring. Each time you do that you are discharging the power you received in the course of your devotion. The last prayer meeting that you went to, the last mountain that you went to, the last fasting exercise that you did, you went and charged yourself. Child of God! See how you are discharging it, through idle talk. Oh! Child of God! Repent!

2 1: Oh Merciful Father, teach me to tame my tongue that I may not defile myself with unwholesome talks.

2: Holy Spirit, I desire to eat the fruits of my positivity. Teach me and guide me to speak positive things and create the right situation and circumstances with my mouth.

3: Glorious Father, let Your beauty be seen in me especially in words and in thoughts. Amen.

**Theme:** WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? (Part 3)

**Text:** Proverbs 15:1-2 & 4, James 3

**Memory Verse:** "O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? For

out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Matthew 12:34

☐ Hymn 75: THE BEAUTY OF JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

Remember what you speak creates the atmosphere around you. William Branham said, "Anytime you talk about Satan, Satan will appear there". In an atmosphere where all they know is to fight the enemy, fight the enemy; fight the enemy! That's the area where demons *go full*.

Yes na! "Shey una wan fight? We go dey fight" but where you preach love, love, love, love, Satan cannot dwell in an atmosphere of love. Because love brings down God's presence and because God is love and he that loveth is of God.

I am telling you an open-secret. I know somebody will hear me now and follow it and practice it. Anytime you talk about the Holy Ghost, He will come down. Anytime you talk about Jesus, He will come down.

Anytime you go and begin to talk to a brother about testimonies of what the Lord has done, you will see the power of God in manifestation. He will manifest the power there, so the person you are telling will know that you are telling the truth. Amen. That is also why the scripture admonishes us in 1 Corinthians 15:33 "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners."

2: Everlasting Father, I come before thee again. I humbly plea for Your daily guidance and divine direction, please keep me from wrong association.

2: Holy Spirit I desire to eat the fruits of my positivity, teach me and guide me to speak positive things and create the right situation and circumstances with my mouth.

3: Glorious Father, teach and guide me that I may promptly and wholly preach and testify of Your goodness in season and out of season. Amen

**Theme:** WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? (Part 4)

**Text:** Proverbs 15:1-2 & 4, Psalm 1, James 3

Memory Verse: "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners."

1 Corinthians 15:33

☐ **Hymn 75:** THE BEAUTY OF JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

Always know that if you are not in the presence of God, you cannot draw down God. All I'm saying is, "always create an atmosphere of God's presence around you. Then you can tap into the power of His presence in every situation". That is what the Psalmist summarizes in Psalms 1 and Psalms 1 is a psalm to meditate on.

Psalms Chapter 1 and Verse 1: "Blessed [is] the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, - remember God's word says in 1 Corinthians 15:33, "Evil communication corrupts good manners" and that's what it's saying here again - nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful" The scornful are those who will never see anything good in another brother, or in another sister. Criticism! Criticism! Criticism! And I want you to always note – the scripture says, "Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaketh". Brethren! What are you saying? Watch it! Watch and Pray!

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

2 1: Oh Merciful Father, teach me to tame my tongue that I may not defile myself with unwholesome talks.

2: Holy Spirit, teach and guide me to edify, exalt and comfort others and to associate more with people who will edify, exalt and comfort me especially during my low moments.

3: Glorious Father, teach me to bless and speak positively into the lives of all and most especially to those who wish me evil and have tagged me their enemies or I have tagged them my enemies that Your beauty may be seen in me especially in words and in thoughts. Amen.

**Theme:** THE DIVINE CONFIDENCE (Part 1)

**☐ Text:** Psalms 1:1-3

**Memory Verse:** "And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall

prosper" Psalms 1:3

☐ Hymn 452: REVIVE THY WORK, OH LORD

#### **MESSAGE:**

Let's look through Psalms Chapter 1 and verse 1 to verse 2 again; "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly nor standeth in the way of sinners nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful but his delight is in - the word of God – the law of the LORD and in his law doth he meditate day and night."

Day and Night! What should be paramount to your mind is the word of God, the word of God. When you do so, Psalms Chapter 1 and verse 3, tells you what you will be like: "And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper"

Elijah was always passing through the mountains to pray, always passing through the mountains to pray, always waiting on God to hear from Him, to know what He wanted to be done or said but the 400 prophets of Ahab were always eating in the statehouse. Elijah therefore could stand one time and say, "If I be a servant of God, - he did not see vision, he was challenging his calling. Let fire – (something that has not happened before) come down and consume these nonsense soldiers that had been sent to come and arrest me." Did fire come down? Yes now, fire came down. Child of God, What is paramount to your mind? For if it is the word of God, you constantly listen or read and live, there is a confidence that it breed in you.

2: Everlasting Father, as the deer panteth for the water brooks so may my soul continually long for You. Psalm 42:1

2: Holy Spirit, keep me abiding in the word of the Lord in season and out of season.

3: Glorious Father, teach and guide me that I may promptly and wholly preach and testify of Your goodness in season and out of season. Amen

**Theme:** THE DIVINE CONFIDENCE (Part 2)

**☐ Text:** Psalms 1:1-3

**Memory Verse:** "And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall

prosper" Psalm 1:3

☐ Hymn 452: REVIVE THY WORK, OH LORD

### **MESSAGE:**

The Bible says that "the children of this world, they are wiser in their generations than the children of light – you and me" why did it say so? The last thing that should happen to you is when you see an unbeliever challenge you, ehn? When you see an unbeliever that you offend; meet you and say, "Me…? You will see. I will show you who I am" And then Fear o! Fear takes over you.

You know why? There is something he is boasting by. He belongs somewhere and he is faithfully serving that thing. They say, "Once every month you are to bring blood for sacrifice" and every month e *dey* bring blood there. He's sure where he stands. He knows the power that he has.

And then you too, "I will show you that I'm a Christian" and in all those your words, it is just empty talk born of fear and having no power. It's only Christians that will not follow our God the way we should follow Him to retain power that will be mesmerized.

Brethren! What is it that gives you confidence to face challenges of the day? It's more than saying "I am born again" up and down. There are things that people who are born again must do to retain power. If you don't do it, you are not better than those who are not born again. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly nor standeth in the way of sinners nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful but his delight is in the law of the LORD and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper" Psalm 1:1-3.

1: Holy Spirit, guide me by the word of God that I may never be found walking in the counsel of the ungodly.

2: Holy Spirit, teach me by the word of God to avoid standing in the way of sinners.

3: Holy Spirit, show me by the word of God away how to avoid sitting in the seat of the scornful.

4: Lord Jesus Christ, let my delight ever be in your word even now and forever.

**Theme:** A MAN OF UNCLEAN LIPS

Text: Isaiah 6, Psalms 51

Memory Verse: "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me".

Psalms 51:10

☐ Hymn 356: CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART

#### **MESSAGE:**

Before you can say that this is the will of God, that these things are happening the way they are happening or that this sickness that has refused to go is the will of God or that this disappointment I'm facing is my wilderness, you should first look at yourself and examine yourself. "Have I been walking in the Will of God? Have I been living a life pleasing before God? How has my prayer life been? How do I fast? Do I consecrate myself? Then you can conclude whether you should adjust against next time or accept what has happened as the will of God.

Isaiah, a prophet in Babylon, joined them in Babylonian captivity there and living anyhow life until the day his eye was opened in Isaiah chapter 6, He saw the Glory of God. He saw the throne of God and he realized he was a man of unclean lips. Then he knew why he was no longer prophesying as he should for God is a Holy God.

Oh I know God is a Holy God but this my mouth, I have drunk alcohol a lot in Babylon. I have gone to their beer parlor, I have done this, I have done that, even those food that God said are unclean – I have eaten them. O LORD, I am a man of unclean lips. I am undone.

Brethren! God wants you to realize that He can cleanse those lips. One of those cherubs took a coal of fire and touched his lips. Somebody your tongue shall be consecrated in the name of Jesus Christ. Your lips will be changed and charged for the remaining days of this year in the name of Jesus Christ.

2 1: Oh Merciful Father, create in me a clean Heart that I may stand before You blameless.

2: Holy Spirit, teach me to walk in Your statutes that I may not lean on my own understanding.

3: Glorious Father, have mercy upon me. Restore unto me the joy of my salvation and renew a right spirit within me.

**Theme:** SAMSON'S CRY (Part 1)

Text: Judges 16, Psalms 6

Memory Verse: "Have mercy upon me, O Lord; for I am weak: O Lord, heal me; for my

bones are vexed." Psalms 6:2

☐ Hymn 365: IN CHRIST ALONE

#### **MESSAGE:**

Samson lost his power because of sin. Somebody here too, that your mouth, you know how you have desecrated that mouth; that your mouth has made somebody to cry by the things that you spoke to that person; the insults that came from your mouth; the curses that came from your mouth; somebody is suffering from a curse from your mouth; that is the same mouth that you speak in tongues with and the same mouth that you kiss a man that has not married you.

You have defiled yourself. That's the mouth that you use to drink alcohol. That's the mouth you do all the dirty things with it. But one day, Samson said, "Just one more time Lord, Just one more time, just one more time"

This song is probably somebody's prayer right this moment; "Create in me a clean heart O Lord and renew a right spirit within me, ... Cast me not away from your presence O Lord; take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of my salvation and renew a right spirit within me." Psalms 51:10-12

Child of God, do not sleep over this matter. Cry out unto the Lord in prayers!

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

⊇ 1: Oh Merciful Father, have mercy upon me and restore all I have lost due to my carelessness.

2: Father, save me from my backslidden nature and from besetting sins I have been struggling with.

② 3: Glorious Father, restore me to my original glory.

**Theme:** SAMSON'S CRY (Part 2)

Text: Judges 16, Psalms 6

Memory Verse: "Have mercy upon me, O Lord; for I am weak: O Lord, heal me; for my

bones are vexed." Psalms 6:2

☐ Hymn 365: IN CHRIST ALONE

#### **MESSAGE:**

Let's be sincere with ourselves. Some of us we need restoration. You know how you were when you gave your life to Christ. You are no more enjoying that liberty. You are no longer enjoying that grace and it's not the fault of God. Brother! Sister! Search yourself!

You lived a life of defeat, defeat! You lived the life of a backslidden Christian in the previous year; you don't pray the way you pray before? That's last year! Let this year be a year of victory, victory! You cannot fast as you used to fast before? — You have backslidden!

Nothing in you is zealous now for the things of God? - You have backslidden! You used to go and preach to people before, you have stopped it - You have backslidden! May you receive restoration from today in the name of Jesus Christ!

"Cast me not away, cast me not away from your presence O Lord; take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore – restore, Jesus! - unto me the joy of my salvation and renew a right spirit within me." Psalms 51:11-12

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

⊇♀ 1: Oh merciful Father, let Your glory overshadow me. Let Your blood speak for me, oh Lord Jesus Christ.

2: Father, fill me with Your Spirit that I may overcome the temptations of this world.

3: Glorious Father, restore me to my first love.

**Theme:** GOD – THE SCRIPT WRITER

Text: Hebrews 12, 2 Timothy 3

**Memory Verse:** "Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto

justification of life." Romans 5:18

☐ Hymn 93: THE LOVE OF GOD

#### **MESSAGE:**

Now! This is exactly what you must know because Halleluyah! The call was in Him – Jesus - and as far as God was concerned, He had concluded everything already. What you are seeing that is happening now, is just God watching the play as it rolls out because the script had long been written. Oh! Glory be to God! Halleluyah!

Film makers understand that there must be a script before you bring the actors to act the script. The actors acting the script, they are not the writers of the script. Halleluyah! The actors are popular but the script writers they are the directors and nobody sees the director of a film, you only see the characters.

God is the scriptwriter and we are the actors acting the script that has already been written. Oh glory be to God! Halleluyah! Then you will understand **Revelation chapter 13 verses 8** concerning the beast, He says, "And all that dwell upon the earth (see this statement) shall worship him (that beast), (now, see those that shall worship the beast, they are those) whose names are not written in the book of life of (who?) the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. (Who is the Lamb that has been slain? We all know that that Lamb is Jesus Christ, but according to this scripture when was He then slain? That was from the foundation of the world and not in A.D. 33).

He was not slain in A.D. 33 as far as God is concerned. The script was written from the foundation of the world and the Actor acted it in A.D. 33. Praise the name of the Lord! Blessed be the name of the Lord! And just as the Script writer would prefer so it is with God; the best fit actor for each character in the script is who is chosen to act the very character.

As you step out today, bear in mind the word of the Script Writer in Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end."

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

21. Lord Jesus Christ, show me areas I need to adjust to be best fit to be part of Your next move.

2. Heavenly Father, may my life glorify Your name in every sphere of my life.

**Theme:** CHRIST - MY PASSOVER

Text: Exodus 12, Revelation 20-21

Memory Verse: "Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye

are unleavened. For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:" 1 Corinthians 5:7

☐ Hymn 34: WHEN I SEE THE BLOOD

#### **MESSAGE:**

There was the ceremony of the Passover before they eventually passed over from Egypt to the Promised Land and a lamb had to be sacrificed and the blood had to be applied on the doorpost and the lintels as the Angel of death was to pass through the land. It was only the houses that had applied the blood that the firstborn in those family houses were saved. So, it is important that you understand the language that Apostle Paul and the rest used in the New Testament as you see that in 1 Corinthians chapter 5 and verse 7, Apostle Paul referred to Christ as our Passover.

Now, the Angel of death will be coming upon this world soon. For Revelation 2:11 says, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death." There is a second death and Scriptures talk more about it in Revelation Chapter 20.

Therefore, a lamb has to be slaughtered and its blood applied on the door post of our houses but this time, it is not to be applied on physical houses. It is to be applied on the door post of your heart and Christ Jesus is our Passover Lamb that had been slain from the foundation of the world.

To apply the blood, you have to accept the life that is in the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ which is Eternal Life and the only way to accept that life is by receiving the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost comes in and transforms that sinner to a saint.

⊇ 1. Lord Jesus Christ, I rededicate my life unto You. Save me from the second death, oh Lord.

2. Holy Spirit, fill me till I want no more. Transform me from my life of sin that I may live a godly life.

23. Lord Jesus Christ, I come under Your redeeming blood. By Your mercy, cleanse me and make me worthy of being in Your promised land.

**Theme:** HE TOOK MY PLACE (Part 1)

Text: Leviticus 16, Mark 15

Memory Verse: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that

whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

☐ **Hymn 35:** LOVE LIFTED ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

In Leviticus chapter 16, if you read it from verse 5 to verse 10, we have something like a ceremony that was done there. I just pray that somebody will catch it. Let's read it:

"5And he (Aaron) shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering. (Let's jump to Verse 7)

7And he shall take the two goats, (that he received from the congregation) and present them before the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. (He will take the two goats from the congregation and present them unto the Lord).

And we see that fulfilled on the way to Calvary. Praise God! Two criminals, supposedly criminals condemned: Barabbas and Jesus, and mind you, it is the people that brought the two goats o! And so Pilate brought them as the custom is that one of the criminals must be released as the scapegoat while the other is condemned and put to death and that is pointing us to what the scripture was speaking of.

The world and even the Devil are bringing you forth again just as they did with the woman caught in the sin of adultery, but the thing here is Christ Jesus is involved. Oh Halleluyah! Your advocate is also the Judge. Child of God, catch this and interestingly He is willing, able and in fact has already taken your place. Oh! All Glory be to the name of the Lord. We have an assurance in Christ Jesus for He assured us in Revelation chapter 1 and verse 18 with these words; "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death." Jesus took your place.

21. Lord Jesus Christ, thank You for dying in my place. Please guide me to live a life worthy of the sacrifice You made.

2. Holy Spirit, teach me to be more like Jesus Christ. Teach me to live in the consciousness that Christ has made me free.

⊇3. Lord Jesus Christ, I come under Your redeeming blood. By Your mercy, cleanse me and make me worthy of being in Your promised land.

**Theme:** HE TOOK MY PLACE (Part 2)

Text: Leviticus 16, Romans 6

Memory Verse: "Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of

righteousness." Romans 6:18

☐ Hymn 35: LOVE LIFTED ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

Looking once again into Leviticus chapter 16, from verse 5 to verse 10, "<sup>5</sup>And he (Aaron) shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering. (Let's jump to Verse 7) <sup>7</sup>And he shall take the two goats, (that he received from the congregation) and present them before the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. (He will take the two goats from the congregation and present them unto the Lord).

One of them is supposed to be a scapegoat; one of them is supposed to be the Lord's – to be sacrificed unto the Lord. One will be left to go with the sins into the wilderness, free! They are all sacrificial goats o! Now but which of these two will be for God and which one will be the scapegoat? They will cast a lot. Lord! The one I pick that is for you, show me now as I pick it and then he will take it and then open it. Ok! You are the scapegoat; you are the one to go free. Praise God!

<sup>8</sup>And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the scapegoat. <sup>9</sup>And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD'S lot fell, and offer him for a sin offering (Sin offering: Offering for the sin of the people). <sup>10</sup>But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the LORD (they will not kill it), to make an atonement with him, and to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.

With this understanding, you then understand the depth of the Romans 6:1-2, "What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?"

21. Lord Jesus Christ, thank You for dying in my place. Please guide me to live a life worthy of the sacrifice You made.

2. Holy Spirit, teach me to be more like Jesus Christ. Teach me to live in the consciousness that Christ has made me free.

⊇3. Lord Jesus Christ, I come under Your redeeming blood. By Your mercy, cleanse me and make me worthy of being in Your promised land.

**Theme:** WHO IS JESUS?

Text: Malachi 3:1, Matthew 3:15-17

Memory Verse: "And lo a voice from heaven, saying, this is my beloved Son, in whom I

am well pleased." Matthew 3:17

☐ Hymn 19: LET'S TALK ABOUT JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

Now just in case someone wants to ask, "Who is Jesus?" Jesus is God's dwelling place. Halleluyah! Jesus is God's dwelling place and that is the reason why the holy of holies; where the ark of the old covenant was kept, where the glory of God was kept such that no (ordinary) man had access to it, the holy of holies that was separated from all other places with a veil became accessible by all on the day Jesus Christ gave up the ghost, Glory be to God!

That glory left! Halleluyah! Unknown to them, the glory of God is no more there, for where God chooses to place His name is the only place that He chooses as the place to worship Him; and the Father made a body for Himself and that body became His temple.

Therefore, He placed His name in His Son *and the Lord whom you seek* while the messenger was there – John the Baptist - preaching in fulfillment of that prophecy in Malachi 3:1, the God whom they sought after, suddenly came to His temple and announced in Matthew 3:17 "this is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased". From that day, Jesus Christ became the temple of the Holy Ghost. He became God's dwelling place. He came to fulfill the Law and that is exactly what happened as you see in that verse in Matthew chapter 3. Blessed be the name of the Lord!

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

2. Lord Jesus Christ, reveal Yourself to me in a way that I will understand.

\$\insp\colon 2\$. Holy Spirit, enlightening my eyes of understanding on who my Lord and Saviour is and why He went all the way just for me.

☐ 3. Holy Spirit, keep me abiding in You and covered by Your name for the name – Jesus Christ – is a strong tower, the righteous runs into and is safe. Proverbs 18:10

**Theme:** JESUS - THE PRESENT TRUTH

Text: Malachi 3:1, Matthew 3:15-17

Memory Verse: "And lo a voice from heaven, saying, this is my beloved Son, in whom I

am well pleased." Matthew 3:17

☐ Hymn 19: LET'S TALK ABOUT JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

Just in case you are coming across this for the first time, let's read it carefully again - Malachi 3:1,

"Behold (Now! This is thus saith the Lord and remember that Jesus did not come to destroy the Law or the Prophets, so we shall examine this because it is one of the prophecies concerning Him) Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me (who is that messenger? [John!] John the Baptist is the messenger that he sent): and the Lord, whom ye seek (that God of Israel that you have been worshipping), shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant (and Jesus Christ is the Messenger of the covenant that God has between Himself and His people.

John the Baptist is not the Messenger of the covenant! Who is the Messenger of the covenant? The Lord Jesus Himself! Praise the Lord! **The covenant, whom ye delight in:** behold, he shall come (that God will come), saith the LORD of hosts." And when was this prophesy fulfilled? It was fulfilled in Matthew chapter 3; from Verse 13 pointing out that He (Jesus) came to fulfill the law.

<sup>13</sup>Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. <sup>14</sup>But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? <sup>15</sup>And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him. <sup>16</sup>And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him. <sup>17</sup>And lo a voice from heaven, saying, this is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

John 1:29, John the Baptist saw him and said, "Behold the lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." Oh the present truth was on earth and with those who had received the word of its manifestation years before it manifested and they did not know that this is Jesus Christ – The Present Truth.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

21. Lord Jesus Christ, make me know You better.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, please do not allow me to miss Your next move.

**Theme:** COME TO JESUS CHRIST

**Text:** John 6:37-44

Memory Verse: "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to

me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37

☐ **Hymn 23:** MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

#### **MESSAGE:**

Jesus Christ said in John chapter 6 and verse 37: "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me (All that the Father – take note that it is "All!" because these statements are very weighty and my learned colleagues that might be reading this now all know the weight of every statement in law, because you are going to quote it back to the Father at the throne of judgment.

Now let's read verse 37 again and then verse 38): "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me (and watch it!); and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me."

Now let's read further; "<sup>39</sup>And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given Me, I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. <sup>40</sup>And this is the will of him that sent me, that everyone which seeth the Son, (seeing that is, understanding Him) and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

The emphasis in verse 40 is "on the last day" - the resurrection day. That is where the emphasis is. That you die now does not mean that is the end! Your end will be determined only after the resurrection. If you don't partake of the resurrection, you are finished and here is the evidence in John chapter 6 and verse 44: "No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day."

- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, I have not followed the call for long. Please forgive me and bring me back in line.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, help me to block my mind, heart and thoughts to the lies of the devil for now I know You are willing to accept me if only I will just come to You.
- \$\insp\cap 3\$. Holy Spirit, take over me and make me prepared and qualified to be raised up at the last day in Jesus name. Amen.

**Theme:** WHAT IS YOUR MINISTRY?

Text: Proverbs 3:3-8, 1 Corinthians 12 & 13

Memory Verse: "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of

these is charity." 1Corinthians 13:13

☐ Hymn 509: IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST

#### **MESSAGE:**

If you claim to be a giver, and then after you give, you are grumbling; after you have emptied your pocket then you are grumbling, stop giving o, that is not your ministry. A giver will only grumble because he doesn't have more to give and not because he has given all."

You see, some of you have come to me about ministry saying, "Pastor, Pastor, I am confused about my ministry." And I say, "If you are confused about your ministry, it is evidence that you have no ministry". And I am repeating it again, "If you are confused about your ministry, it is evidence that you have no ministry". Do you know why? Because, first and foremost, ministry begins, and not just ministry but for every call of God, God begins it first with a burden. That burden gives you a passion. It is that thing you derive the most joy when you are doing".

Those who said they are Evangelists, that same thing that was pushing Apostle Paul, at the risk of his life, even when prophecy said, "Don't go to Jerusalem o, they will finish you". He said, "If I die there, let me die". That same love, passion or you may call it burden, is it still burning in you for soul-winning?

The truth remains that what is not your ministry, you can't bring it out. But those that God has raised in that area; they will do it joyfully and same goes for all who operate the body gifts and those who function in the fivefold ministry as seen in 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 and 1 Corinthians 12:28.

Also, note that operating your ministry is not limited to the walls of the church building. Once you find your ministry, operate it in that office. Be active in your ministry at your street, your home, your country and so on.

It is, therefore, important that we sincerely search ourselves and make sure we render our service unto God in charity (1 Corinthians 13). If there is no burden or love for what you do, then that's not your ministry.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINT:

2: Oh Holy Spirit, teach me Your ways and lead me through it.

\$\insp\colon 2\$: Heavenly Father, enlighten my eyes to see where I am best fit to serve You and bring glory to Your name.

**Theme:** THE VOID THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN FILL (PART 1)

**Text:** Psalms 42, Matthew 19:16-26

Memory Verse: "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after

thee, O GOD." Psalms 42:1

☐ **Hymn 209:** LORD, I'M COMING HOME

#### **MESSAGE:**

Now concerning salvation, this is what God does to every one of His seed; what He does is this, He drops a void, it's a hunger for Him but I best describe it as a void that needs to be filled.

There's some emptiness. There is something you are looking for. Something you cannot seem to find anywhere. It means He has put a hunger, a desire for you to seek and desire to be a true Christian.

That's why you move from religion to religion. You were Eckankar, and then you moved to Grail movement. Then Hare Krishna, then you became a Muslim and now you have become Christian, because there is a void inside. "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O GOD." Psalm 42:1

The void that only Jesus can fill, alcohol, womanizing, gambling, fornication, adultery, gay movements, riches and so on that unbelievers partake in or show off, all these things, their words and deeds cannot fill that void. Only Jesus can fill that void.

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

1: Dear Lord, I am tired of running from pillar to post seeking for what cannot help me. Come and fill me up oh Lord Jesus Christ.

2: Heavenly Father, bring me back to You even if I be one inch away from You.

**Theme:** THE VOID THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN FILL (PART 2)

**Text:** Matthew 19:16-26

Memory Verse: "And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good

thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?" Matthew 19:16

☐ Hymn 274: LONGING FOR JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

Let's see what the scripture says in Matthew chapter 19 from verse 16 to verse 26, it's a popular story. Matthew 19:16, "And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?

The book of Luke 18 also referred to same person and most theologians call him the rich young ruler. So it means the rich young ruler was looking for something. What was he looking for? Eternal Life! So he was looking for eternal life and he did not know that he was standing before Eternal Life. The thing he was looking for he was almost getting it because he was standing at the final bus-stop and let's read the conversation further: Matthew 19:17-19:

<sup>17</sup>"And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? There is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments". <sup>18</sup>"He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness." <sup>19</sup>"Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself".

Just as Jesus spoke to the rich young ruler so also preachers of the present truth are telling this generation and the next, the right path to follow that would lead them to filling the void but how many are following it. Matthew 19:20, "The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up..."

2: Dear Lord, I am grateful for the gift of salvation. Keep me abiding in Your truth.

2: Heavenly Father, enlighten my eyes to see where I am missing in or messing with my Christian virtue.

23: Lord Jesus Christ, may more souls be won unto You especially of this younger generation that I see all around me who are messing up with the free gift of salvation that has been offered to them.

**Theme:** THE VOID THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN FILL (PART 3)

**Text:** Matthew 19:16-26; John 6

Memory Verse: "And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good

thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?" Matthew 19:16

☐ Hymn 258: TELL IT FAR AND WIDE

#### **MESSAGE:**

Reading about the rich young ruler from Matthew Chapter 19 and from verse 20 to verse 26, we see that after the rich young ruler had affirmed how diligent he was to following the laws and commandment of God and yet still feeling a void within, when we come to verse 20, "The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up, what lack I yet?"

Hallelujah. Amen. My emphasis, here, is that that rich man was looking for something. And he was almost there but when he was told what next to do, he couldn't do it and so he couldn't get the eternal life he was seeking for even though eternal life was who He was standing before.

In John Chapter 6, if you read it from verse 60 up to verse 71, so many disciples were following him. So many! Hallelujah but when Jesus Christ declared who He was and He said, "I am the bread of life, except you eat my flesh or drink my blood, you have no life to you".

"Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard this, said, This is an hard saying; who can hear it?" John 6:60 and in verse 61-65, Jesus went harder, more difficult; going deeper and deeper into that spiritual mystery. Only a man who has spiritual ears will accept this word. The carnal man will reject it just like those disciples that left as we see in John Chapter 6 and verse 66.

Praise the Lord! These were people who had a void only Jesus Christ could fill. Disciples that were going out and casting out demons, preaching everywhere and coming with testimonies that at the name of Jesus Christ every knee bows and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord but when it came to the real purpose of the ministry, the real

purpose of the gift, and He began to reveal who He is, what the message is, all of them turned back. They were almost there.

# WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINT:

1: Holy Spirit, I pray for understanding of revelations and mysteries of God as You unveil them to me. Teach me not to be offended, help me to learn while I am being fed with spiritual food meant for the saving of my soul.

**Theme:** THE VOID THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN FILL (PART 4)

**Text:** Matthew 19:16-26; John 6

Memory Verse: "And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the

living God" John 6:69

☐ **Hymn 260:** THE WARFARE THAT IS RAGING

#### **MESSAGE:**

Our memory verse for today is a statement made by Peter and soon after that Peter denied Jesus Christ. He denied the only One who could fill the void in him. Child of God, you are not yet there o!

That you profess Christ as your Lord and personal savior does not make you a Christian o. When you confess Him, you pay your tithes and offering, you are contributing to the building project, you belong to prayer group and you are fasting almost every day, you are even an intercessor but does that mean that you truly believe? No! It doesn't.

When Peter was saying, "Where shall we go" "...Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." Judas was among the 12, he was even in the same estate. Judas also knew that day that Jesus was the Giver of eternal life so even Judas was almost there. He was in the same estate with Peter at that point. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Hallelujah.

"Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil? He spake of Judas Iscariot the son of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve" John 6:70-71

Even Judas, just like others, came with a void to be filled and despite his confession and demonstration of power with other disciples in previous outreaches, his greed and selfish interest stood in the way.

2: Pray that God's true word will be unveiled to you by His Spirit.

2: Renounce every carnal and worldly nature in you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

2: Pray that the Lord will save your soul by His mercy and by His grace.

**Theme:** THE VOID THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN FILL (PART 5)

**Text:** Matthew 19:16-26; John 6

Memory Verse: "And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the

living God" John 6:69

☐ Hymn 262: WALKING WITH THE LORD

#### **MESSAGE:**

You were following Jesus, sleeping with Him, waking up with Him. He wakes you up every night to pray, but He still told them, "go and tarry in Jerusalem until ye be endued with power". He said, "For ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you".

Therefore, there is a difference between authority and power. Hallelujah. Authority is you are going because somebody sent you but power is you exercising an authority by yourself by a power that has been given to you.

When He told them to go and preach, He gave the 70 of them authority to operate in His name; they received authority and demons were shaking but He still told them, wait, you used My authority, but now I'm going to give you power but go to the upper room because the Spirit you are going to receive is a Spirit that will give you the same anointing, the same grace, the same power that I have. It is the Spirit of adoption, hallelujah! It is the Spirit that when you speak, heaven backs you up. Hallelujah!

Many of us are at the same point of making a very important decision that can change our lives for good or for worse. We are at Kadesh Barnea. Blessed be the name of the Lord! Brethren! Choose rightly that the void in you may be filled with Him alone who is able to fill you till you want no more and that is no one else but Christ Jesus.

So at what point did they become Christians? It was at the upper room on the day of Pentecost. "And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?" Matthew 19:16 "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto

## me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Act 1:8

No Holy Ghost! No Eternal life!

No Holy Ghost! No Eternal life! No Power!

No Holy Ghost! No Eternal life! No Power! No Rapture!

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

2 1: Lord Jesus, fill me once more with Your Holy Spirit and grant me power over sin and over the devil.

\$\iiinspec\$2: Lord Jesus, raise unto Yourself a generation of people who will worship You in spirit and in truth and not just for what they can collect from You and as You raise them up in this end-time, Lord by Your mercy and grace, make me one of them.

**Theme:** THE VOID THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN FILL (PART 6)

**Text:** Ezekiel 36:24-28; 2Peter 1

Memory Verse: "And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my

statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them." Ezekiel 36:27

☐ **Hymn 270:** ANY ROOM FOR JESUS?

#### **MESSAGE:**

Apostle Paul says in Romans Chapter 8 and verse 17 that we are heirs and joint heirs with Christ. The same power that He has is the same power that we have. That is why Apostle Paul in describing Him describes Him as our elder brother. He is the First Born and we are the next that follow, by the same Spirit.

If you have not the Spirit of Christ, the scripture says that you are none of His – Romans Chapter 8 and verse 9. So what makes you a Christian is that the Spirit of Christ dwells in you. Therefore, when you speak, it is Christ speaking. Hallelujah.

Jesus Christ said in the book of Luke Chapter 17 and verse 32, "Remember Lot's wife". Lot's wife was almost saved. Almost saved, but she looked back and became a pillar of salt. She didn't make it and she is a type of many End-Time Message believers who have heard the shout. You heard the shout, but at the slightest thing, one thing or the other, you go back.

Child of God, stick with Jesus Christ, no matter what comes your way for He is the only One who can fill the void in your life. Stay in Eden; the presence of the Lord.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

2: Pray that the Holy Spirit sees you through as you grow to the stature of perfection.

2: Pray for the spirit of humility that you may be lowly, meek and humble enough to allow the Spirit of Jesus Christ fill, lead, teach and dwell in you.

\$\insp\cap23\$: Pray that God gives you wisdom and pours out into you, more revelation in the knowledge of Him (Eph.1:17)

**Theme:** THE VOID THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN FILL (PART 7)

**Text:** Ezekiel 36:24-28; 2 Peter 1

Memory Verse: "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and

election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fail" 2 Peter 1:10

☐ Hymn 274: LONGING FOR JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

God pulled you out of the denomination same way He called Lot and his family out of Sodom and Gomorrah. That is the first stage, you are not yet there. He brings you in so as to do a work in you using the Message. Blessed be the name of the Lord! So, at what point are you now a Christian? I'll tell you three areas:

Firstly, Ezekiel Chapter 36 points that there is a process for salvation and nobody will bypass that process because it is the process for salvation. Ezekiel Chapter 36 from verse 24 to verse 28 is the process for grace and when grace will be returning to Israel, this is how it will happen. This is also how it will happen to us as spiritual Israelites becoming partakers of grace. We will undergo this same process.

Secondly, Remember Jesus said, "Be ye perfect, even as your heavenly Father is perfect" Be ye also perfect! This brings us to what is most often referred to as the stature of perfection or the stature of the perfect man and we see this in 2 Peter Chapters 1 from verse 5 up to verse 11. Why is this necessary to attain? We see the answer in 2 Peter Chapter 1 from verse 8 to verse 9 "For if these things (referring to verse 5 and verse 7) be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins".

Third and not the least is what Jesus told the rich young ruler, "You obey all, but there is one thing you lack" and what is that thing? What was Jesus Christ actually teaching him? He was teaching him, CHARITY - God's kind of love. Blessed be the name of the Lord!

2: Pray that the love of God will be shed abroad your heart by Holy Spirit and that grace to attain perfection in Christ Jesus be activated in you

\$\insp\colon 2:\$ Pray that God gives you wisdom and pours out into you, more revelation in the knowledge of Him (Eph. 1:17) and that He delivers you from false prophets and teachers.

**Theme:** ARE YOU READY? (Part 1)

**Text:** Mathew 24:42-51, Mark 9:43-50

Memory Verse: "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come"

Matthew 24:42

☐ **Hymn 489:** BE READY WHEN HE COMES

#### **MESSAGE:**

Sister, you are beautiful now. Yes, you are pretty. Miss Nigeria, Miss Africa, Miss World. Yes, but one of these days, that your beauty will burn in Hell if you do not take this Christian journey serious.

Brother, you are handsome and good looking now. All the ladies want you and *in fact no be you dey rush them, na them dey rush you*. Yes, but one of these days, that your handsomeness and good looking body will burn in Hell if you do not take this Christian journey serious.

If you will not believe the report of the Bible, here is the report of the scientists. So, you have no excuse. A geological group who drilled a hole of about 14.4 kilometers (8.9 miles) deep into earth said that they heard human voices screaming in pain when they lowered an extremely heat-tolerant microphone along with other sensory equipment into the hole.

Here's what members of the group had to say, "At first, we thought the screams were coming from our own equipment but when we made adjustment, our worst suspicion was confirmed. The screams weren't those of a single human. They were the screams of millions of human".

Now hear what Dr Azakov (the leader of the team) said, "As a communist, I don't believe in Heaven or the Bible. But as a scientist, I now believe in Hell. We know what we saw and we know what we heard and we're absolutely convinced that we drilled through the gates of Hell".

Brethren! Jesus said that this gospel of the kingdom will be preached around the whole world then the end will come. He is now preaching among the scientists so that they will know why they will be condemned at the last day. What are you waiting for? Child of God, Heaven is real! Hell is real! Stop joking with your Christian journey!

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

\$\inp\delta\$1: My Father and my Maker, take away the spirit of fashion and worldliness, the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh and the pride of life from me.

⊋2: Lord Jesus Christ, help my unbelief.

3: Oh Lord my God, let me not be a cast away.

**Theme:** ARE YOU READY? (Part 2)

**Text:** Mathew 24:42-51, Mark 9:43-50

**Memory Verse:** "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come"

Matthew 24:42

☐ **Hymn 489:** BE READY WHEN HE COMES

#### **MESSAGE:**

A lot of people have the opportunity of choosing between Heaven and Hell but they are dancing and joking with their eternal destination. One of these days, you either end in Hell or Heaven. Mark chapter 9, verse 43; hear what Jesus Christ was saying: "If thy hand offend thee cut it off, it is better for thee to enter into life lamed than having two hands and go to hell, into fire that will never be quenched".

What does Jesus mean by this? He is saying that you should do everything under any condition to run away from Hell. Get into heaven, get into life. Brethren, I believe, this is the knowledge that Apostle Paul had when he said, "knowing the terror of God, we persuade men" 2 Corinthians chapter 5 and verse 11, we preach, we ask you, take your eternal destination seriously.

There is a lake that burneth with fire as we see in 2Thessalonians Chapter 1 and verse 8 to verse 9. There are people now that are under torment. I don't know which one you are choosing. A brother and a sister that engage in fornication, they know that what they are doing is evil. If the sister takes in (becomes pregnant) and out of shame of carrying unwanted pregnancy, if she goes for abortion and dies in the process, she has made the wrong choice.

God does not want us to perish. He loves us so much and that is why He gave His only begotten Son to die for you and me as we see in the book of John Chapter 3 and verse 16. He made a way of escape. Why not repent now?

The truth remains that when we get before the judgment seat of Christ, every one of us will give account of ourselves. If you die tomorrow, what account will you give of

yourself? Did you stand for the truth or you stood for watery Christianity? Are you really ready?

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

2: My Father and my Maker, help me to stand for true Christianity. Save me from my lukewarm way of life.

2: Lord Jesus Christ, give me Your Holy Spirit. Let Him come and dwell in me.

23: Oh Lord, my God, cut off everything & association drawing me to hell. Teach me to cut them off where I have to do the cutting off myself.

**Theme:** ARE YOU READY? (Part 3)

**Text:** Mathew 24:42-51, Mark 9:43-50, Hebrews 12

Memory Verse: "Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be

accepted of him." 2 Corinthians 5:9

☐ **Hymn 489:** BE READY WHEN HE COMES

#### **MESSAGE:**

I always say that it is we that come to church that will weep & gnash our teeth when we discover that these things that the preachers have been preaching is real, it's true.

2 Corinthians Chapter 5 and verse 9 says, "Wherefore, we labour that whether present or absent (that is, whether we are alive or were dead, what will happen?), we may be accepted of HIM (accepted of Christ).

Brethren, we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ. Every one of us will appear before the judgment seat of Christ that everyone may receive the things done in His body according to that He has done whether it is good or bad.

Looking at one phrase in verse 11 of 2 Corinthians Chapter 5, "knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, what do we do? We persuade men". Apostle Paul said, "Knowing the terror of God" so what is the terror of God? Same Apostle Paul told the Hebrews in Hebrews 12:29, he said, "For our God is a consuming fire".

Child of God, are you patiently waiting to know if this loving God is a consuming fire or not? Are you pushing through and testing all ways of life that opposes a loving God's standard with the philosophy that God doesn't exist because of certain things you expected him to do your own way that He didn't do in such manner? Remember that this loving Father, He is also a consuming fire o.

1: My Father and my Maker may I live a life acceptable and pleasing unto You even unto death.

2: Lord Jesus Christ, guide me through this journey of life that I be not found wanted when I stand before You at the time of judgment.

② 3: Oh Lord, my God, give me listening ears and a heart that is fertile enough to accept and grow and improve on the seed of the Word of God that is sown and watered often in my life.

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#### THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

**Theme:** ARE YOU READY? (Part 4)

**Text:** Matthew 24:42-51, Mark 9:43-50, Rev. 12:5-8

Memory Verse: "Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be

accepted of him." 2 Corinthians 5:9

☐ Hymn 02: AMAZING GRACE

#### **MESSAGE:**

There is something awaiting a group of people on earth here and that is Hell. Revelation Chapter 21 and verse 5 says, "And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful." That is, no controversy, they are true, and they are not lie. They are faithful, that is, it will come to pass.

Revelation Chapter 21 and verse 6, "And He said unto me, it is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely". And that is the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I will give him that is athirst, of the fountain of the water of life freely, that is, eternal life. Brethren the baptism of the Holy Ghost is free.

Revelation Chapter 21 and verse 7 and verse 8, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death". See the category that will go to hell fire. See the category: number one is the fearful and this fear, here, is not people who are afraid to die. It is people who are afraid to openly let the world know they are for Jesus Christ. They belong to Jesus Christ. Child of God, are you really ready?

? 1: My Father and my Maker, grant me the boldness to stand firmly for Your word irrespective of the circumstances.

 $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ, guide me out of the ways of men that I indulge in that has capacity to lead me to hell fire. Save my soul oh Lord.

: Oh Lord my God, teach me the ways of an over-comer in Christ Jesus. Make me more than a conqueror.

**Theme:** HE IS INTERESTED IN ME

Text: Psalm 8, Hebrews 2:1-11

Memory Verse: "What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man

that thou visitest him?" Psalm 8:4

☐ Hymn 70: HE'S EVERYTHING TO ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

Have you ever flown by air and gone far above the clouds? You look to your left, you are seeing nothing and look to your right and still you are seeing nothing and yet scientific instruments show the things that live millions of light years apart in creation; in the distance between the earth and maybe the sun, or maybe Pluto and other planets and all of them in the galaxies created by one Being.

Now! That is not the interesting part. The interesting part is that when you put the whole of the galaxies together and look at you as an individual in relation to the whole of this creation and ask, "Who am I?" You just see that you are less than a speck and yet God comes down and He is interested in you and He is talking to you.

Ha! Who am I that He is interested in me? There must be something about it that He will leave all these things - His creation - and come and look at a speck, a speck like me. He even gets so interested in me until He will come down by Himself, Emmanuel, to redeem me. That knowledge makes you fear Him, that knowledge makes you love Him; that makes you appreciate His mercy.

Let me point a compelling example and I want you to know in similar way God is interested in you just as He was with MARY in Luke 1:26-27:

<sup>26</sup> "And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,
<sup>27</sup> To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary."

↑ 1: Thank You, my Lord and my God for Your mercy upon my life. Thank You for Your grace upon my life.

3  $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Angels of the Lord, you that have my details and are carrying my blessings. Locate me in Jesus name.

3: Lord, may I be ready and available at the point of my rising.

**Theme:** CHRISTIANITY BEYOND THE CHURCH

**Text:** Isaiah 54, Matthew 4:23-25, Matthew 9:20-37

**Memory Verse:** "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;" Isaiah 54:2

☐ **Hymn 67:** TO BE LIKE HIM

#### **MESSAGE:**

Your Christianity must be defined to a realm where you are not a Christian only because you are in the church or because you are among believers or even because you are in your house" and so maybe I will just live well, but why? "Well, you know, I'm a pastor and everybody in my house knows I am a pastor, so I must live a life so that people *go know say I be* pastor or everybody in this street *know say I be* pastor so make I *dey* careful". Ok! The day I go to Korea *nko*? Where, nobody knows me. The day I leave and go to a place where nobody knows me, it is at that time that I will prove whether I am a Christian or not".

It is not when we go to church and you dress with flowing gown and you are dancing more than everybody else and maybe somebody even looks at you and says, "Kai, this sister loves God" that we will know that you are a Christian oh! So don't look at somebody here and conclude that He is of God oh, or that she is a Christian oh! It is dangerous! That is why I believe in courtship, I believe it. Don't marry until you know the person very well oh! Don't marry until you know her very well. Don't marry until you know Him very well oh, we are not Christians because we are in the church.

And if your wife cannot testify that you are a Christian, you are truly not a Christian. Amen! You are not a Christian oh! How many married women can say, "My husband is a Christian"? If you are not sure your husband is a Christian, put up your hand! Don't worry; he is not seeing you now; put your hand up. Okay if you are sure your husband is a Christian let me see your hands up. Na because of chop money you put up your hand (laughs) chop money na him make you put up your hand. I guess someone is saying "This pastor wan put me for trouble" (laughs) I want you to be a Christian that is why I say it the way I say it.

3 ♀ 1: My Lord and my God, may my Christianity go beyond hearing and speaking about Christ. Teach me to be a doer of Your word.

3  $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$  2: Lord Jesus Christ make me a true example of bible Christianity to all around me beginning from members of my family.

3: Lord, expose my weakness to me and show me how to be better in that area.

31 Theme: SONSHIP

**Text:** Romans 8:15-25, Ephesians 1:1-14

Memory Verse: "For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye

have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father." Romans 8:15

☐ Hymn 140: REDEEMED

#### **MESSAGE:**

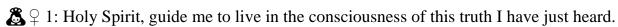
Now, when God wants to reveal Himself to us, first He moves from stage to stage. First is the ADOPTION, He makes you appreciate salvation by the revelation of adoption and most evangelical churches stop at ADOPTION. Oh! You were nothing, you were lost. (Pastor Moses sings: "I once was lost but now I am found [singing stops here].) And then (Sings: "I've wandered far away from home [singing stops here].) And then oh! Come and see Billy Graham speaking about adoption and everybody will be crying, all of them will be crying.

You know He is one of the most renowned Evangelists of this our time. Billy Graham! Not William Braham, I am talking of Billy Graham, the American. Go and see Kumuyi preaching adoption until they take it so far to tell you that you can lose it and since you don't want to lose it, you are treading carefully everyday with so much fear, as you frequently check yourself: I hope I did this? I hope I had done this? I hope? I hope? I hope? Then the day you fall "yakata"; the day any situation turns you to crayfish, you say, "No more hope, according to the teaching, I am gone".

Adoption! So everybody *ehn*, work out your salvation with fear and trembling. Then everybody is careful; you watch how you talk? How you walk? Where you go? Who you associate with, so that you do not lose your sanctification? You don't shout: 'in Jesus name' and then you are very careful so that you will not lose your salvation.

Then you reach that stage that God no longer wants you to fear, He then tells you your origin by the doctrine of redemption that He came to redeem His own. What is Redeem? To Redeem is to buy back what was originally yours (take note: originally yours) but you lost it to some kind of slavery. The process of buying it back is called Redemption. You can only redeem what originally was yours. We were already His own. Then the confidence comes back more. "Oh! *Na my Papa be this. No be say He adopt me. No be* 

say... I was an orphan somewhere then a very kind man came and picked me up. Oh! Na Him born me sef. Oh!" You know the day you discover that; you will be more relaxed in that house. I was His, originally, Halleluyah!



**Theme:** ETERNALLY SECURED

**Text:** Romans 8:28-30, Ephesians 1:4-10

Memory Verse: "For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed

to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren."

Romans 8:29

☐ Hymn 171: WONDERFUL PEACE

#### **MESSAGE:**

ETERNAL SECURITY: "once you are saved, forever you are saved". We get that security from Romans chapter 8 verses 28, 29 and 30:

<sup>28</sup>"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called (those he has called) according to his purpose (he calls us according to his purpose).

<sup>29</sup>For whom he did foreknow (foreknowledge – knowledge in advance – something He knew in advance concerning you, before you were born, before your great grandfather was born, He knew you. Am I correct? [Yes!] He knew you), he also did predestinate

(I know you know this scripture but let's dissect it again, I repeat Verse 29)

<sup>29</sup>For whom he did foreknow (know in advance), he also did predestinate (because He knew you in advance; your destiny, how you will end up was also determined before you began, and so what is the destiny?) to be conformed to the image of His Son, that he (Jesus Christ, now!) might be the firstborn among many brethren.

If Jesus is the Firstborn, then He is my elder Brother. What belongs to Him belongs to me too from the Father. You see another stage of the revelation now? We are heirs and jointheirs with Christ of an inheritance. Then verse 30:

<sup>30</sup>Moreover whom he did predestinate (only those whose destinies have been determined in advance because of a foreknowledge – something He knew about you in advance), them he also called (so He is not calling anybody to see whether the person will disappoint Him or not. Before He calls you, there is something He has considered concerning you before calling you) and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified (by the baptism of the Holy Ghost).

So, He will not gamble and give somebody eternal life and then regret it. Eternal life is a life that has no ending, so God will not give you a life that will allow you to live forever, when He knows that you cannot be converted or rather that you lack the ability to be converted. That is why before they could go and partake of the tree of life, He quickly sent them (Adam & Eve) away from the Garden of Eden because death was already in them. Halleluyah! Once you eat of the Tree of Life, He cannot change His mind again, so He will not gamble to give you eternal life.

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINT:

3 ? 1: Holy Spirit, guide me to fulfill the purpose for which I still exist here on earth.

Theme: CHOSEN BY GOD (Part 1)

**Text:** Romans 8:28-30, Ephesians 1:3-14

Memory Verse: "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the

world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:" Ephesians 1:4

☐ Hymn 495: BECAUSE HE LOVES ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

Oh! Glory be to God for He chose us in Christ. When did He choose you? Was it the day you gave your life to Christ? No! Where is the proof for saying "No!"? The proof is in the book of Ephesians chapter one from verse 3: "Blessed (this is Apostle Paul speaking now!) be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places (WHERE?) in Christ: According as he hath chosen us in him (When did He choose us in Christ?) before the foundation of the world (He did not choose you the day you gave your life to Christ! Oh, glory be to God! He had already chosen us in Him before the foundation of this world began. Do you see what He has done?) That we should be holy and without blame before him in love"

Verse 5: "Having predestinated (our destiny was determined before we were born, before this earth began) having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, (this is where I am going to... Is it because you worked hard for it? No! It is) according to the good pleasure of his will, (Not because you worked hard for it. It is according to the good pleasure of His will. (Pastor Moses sings: For thou art created all things and for thy pleasure, they are and were created).

Verse 6 and Verse 7: "To the praise of the glory of his grace - his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom (that is, Jesus Christ) we have redemption through his blood (His blood was used as a ransom to pay the price for our salvation. The buying back - the payment of the ransom - is for our redemption), the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace"

\$\bigsig 1: My Lord and my God, You didn't have to but You did shed Your blood for my sake. Thank You, Lord Jesus Christ.

3 2: Holy Spirit, I receive and I have all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus, help me to walk in the consciousness of it.

**Theme:** CHOSEN BY GOD (Part 2)

Text: Ephesians 1:3-14, 1 Peter 1

**Memory Verse:** "Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ:

Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied." 1 Peter 1:2

☐ Hymn 496: BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

#### **MESSAGE:**

We are elected and the election is the calling as seen in 1 Peter chapter 1 and verse 2, just one statement there. He (Peter) said, "Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father..." We are elected according to what? According to God's foreknowledge, Apostle Paul got that revelation – the mystery of salvation – not from a meeting he had with Peter but by the same Holy Ghost. Oh! Blessed be the name of the Lord! Halleluyah! Then you will begin to also understand that if you were not saved the day you gave your life to Christ, then it means that you were saved and called before the foundation of the world and Christ Himself died from the foundation of the world.

Now! This is exactly what you must know because Halleluyah! The call was in Him – Jesus - and as far as God was concerned, He had concluded everything already. What you are seeing that is happening now, is just God watching the play as it rolls out because the script had long been written. Oh! Glory be to God! Halleluyah! And the scriptures make it clearer in the book of Ephesians chapter one from verse 10:

he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: <sup>11</sup>In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will: (To do what?) <sup>12</sup>That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. <sup>13</sup>In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth (you also trusted, after that you have heard the word of truth), the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye

### believed (after you believed), ye were sealed..."

(Oh! What is the meaning of the word "seal"? A seal means the work is finished. You were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise). Ephesians Chapter 1 Verse 14, "Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory".

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINT:

3 ♀ 1: My Lord and my God, I am saved by You and safe in You. Keep me abiding in You, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Theme:** THAT I MAY KNOW HIM

Text: 1 John 5, Philippians 3:1-14

**Memory Verse:** "That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death" Philippians 3:10

☐ Hymn 231B: MORE ABOUT JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

When you come into Christ, you must be baptized. Correct water baptism is very necessary; for it shows you believe in what Christ did on the cross and it connects you to God. Sinners go to God in prayers even in the church and yet God still answers them, WHY? John 6:26 "Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled."

Christ's interest is not just in the loaves of bread you ask of Him or whatsoever you ask of Him when you pray. He answers because He uses the miracle to call your attention, to quicken your curiosity so that questions may arise within you and you begin to ask "WHO IS THIS MAN? WHO IS THIS JESUS CHRIST?"

When God answers your prayers even as a sinner; it confirms to you that He exists, so you have no more excuse. So, He said in verse 27: "Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life". For He (Jesus Christ) is the Bread of life and that is what He has to offer to you; a life everlasting (eternal Life). So with the same zeal you ask of things from Him, use that same zeal to pursue eternal life.

Christ expressed His love for you on the cross of Calvary. You need to know "who this Jesus is?"

John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." When you call upon Him; for total effectiveness of His name in your life, you need to know Him and build a relationship with Him. When you have a relationship with Jesus, He gives your life meaning & there is a boldness that will come upon you against principalities and this boldness makes you to be a witness of Him to the world.

So your deliverance is in stages as you go on:

- -First, you have to repent of your sins.
- -Second, you have to go for water baptism to wash away your sins.
- -Then you position yourself for God to give you the Holy Ghost to teach you and reveal things to you. Acts 2:37-39

- 3 1 Lord Jesus, have mercy on my soul and forgive me for my sins.
- 3  $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{=}$  2 Lord Jesus I want to know You, please reveal Yourself to me.
- $3 \$  Cord Jesus, give me the grace to serve You and to do Your will.

Theme: GOD IN SIMPLICITY (Part 1)

Text: Genesis 1:1-31, Psalm 8

Memory Verse: "What is man, that thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that

thou visitest him?" Psalm 8:4

☐ Hymn 259: NO FRIEND LIKE JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

There was a day I was alone in my room and God began talking to me and when He finished, I came back to myself. Something just occurred to me and I was thinking and saying, "This God is really humble. Look at the whole universe. You created it. Look at the galaxies, up till now, science has not finished their study. Every day, they keep discovering new ones. How mighty will God look like? And yet, look at the whole creation, I am just like a speck of sand and You came and located me in my room and You started talking to me. How humble this God can be?"

That is why if you see anybody who says he knows God and he is proud, it is a lie, he does not know God. The more you know God, the more humble you become. A sinner like me, the mighty God; the Creator of heaven and the earth, the One that man cannot behold His face, humbled Himself and came to me, sitting down in my room and He was talking to me. When He finished, I realized what was going on and I said, "This God, you are too much!"

Blessed be the name of the Lord. God is known in simplicity.

- 3 1. I give You thanks oh Lord for in Your majesty and glory, You have shown me your attribute of simplicity and humility.
- 3\$\times 2. Father, help me search for Your simple actions in complex situations and grant me understanding of what You are saying to me through them.
- 3 3 May I not miss You when You come to visit me, oh Lord Jesus Christ.

Theme: GOD IN SIMPLICITY (Part 2)

**Text:** Genesis 1:1-31, Psalm 8, Matthew 1:20-25

Memory Verse: "What is man, that thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that

thou visitest him?" Psalm 8:4

Hymn 188: DOWN FROM HIS GLORY

#### **MESSAGE:**

The Creator of heaven and the earth came in a man; came through a woman, how many people understand Emmanuel? God came down into the womb of a woman and was born. He stepped from eternity to die! While on earth, He sucked a woman's breast; calling her mummy and He was growing.

Genesis 1, Verse 2: "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." The creator of heaven and the earth walked upon the sea. At one time while in human form as our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, He wanted to cross the river, the boat had gone, and then He functioned on the knowledge that He created the river and had moved upon the face of the waters as recorded in Genesis 1:2 and so He stepped and walked on the water as seen in Matthew 14:23-33. Hallelujah! Blessed be the name of the Lord. If you were with Jesus at that time and He had told you to walk with Him on the waters, would you have taken that step of faith with Him?

Brethren! God is seen in simplicity. That is why the Jews missed Him and that is why the whole world is still missing Him today.

- \$\mathbb{Z}\$\times 1\$. Father, I have focused so much on a particular way I wanted You to do some things I was expecting from You that I find myself living a life of less and sometimes no gratitude to You, forgive me Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3  $\bigcirc$  2. May I see You made manifest in my life and that of my family members, oh Lord Jesus Christ!
- 3 3. Oh Lord Jesus Christ, show me Your ways. Guide me into seeing everything from Your perspective and into believing You even when the instruction seems to be the dumbest thing I have ever done in my life.

Theme: KNOWLEDGE (Part 1)

**Text:** John 8:32, John 14:6, Matthew 16:13-17

Memory Verse: "...for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father

which is in heaven" Matthew 16:17

Hymn 69: OPEN MY EYES THAT I MAY SEE

#### **MESSAGE:**

The word 'knowledge' is wide, but it depends on what kind of knowledge you are looking for. But the one we are talking about is the knowledge of the truth because the Bible says, "ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free". And what is truth? Or rather who is the Truth? Jesus Christ said, "I am the way, the TRUTH and the life".

At one time, He was asked what the truth is, Truth was standing before them and they were still asking Him what truth is. Praise the Lord! Jesus said, "No man can come to the Father except by me" and I am the Truth. He asked the disciples, "Whom do men say I the son of man am?"

You know philosophy, science, medicine, computer and everything, it is knowledge. Everybody wants to have knowledge of computer because if you don't know it, you will be left behind. Soon everything will be computerized, so it is important we all have knowledge of computer. That is so important because civilization is moving at a very fast rate, so arm yourself. Well, that is knowledge for the mundane things of this world but Jesus Christ is someone you must know for the sake of your soul; life here and life eternal.

- 3 1. Father, keep me abiding in Your truth. Keep me abiding in Jesus Christ.
- 3  $\bigcirc$  2. May I not get carried away by my search for and desire to own mundane things of this world and lose You, oh Lord Jesus Christ!
- 3. Oh Lord Jesus Christ, I want to know You more and more.

Theme: KNOWLEDGE (Part 2)

**Text:** John 8:32, John 14:6, Matthew 16:13-17

Memory Verse: "... Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?" Matthew 16:13

Hymn 69: OPEN MY EYES, THAT I MAY SEE

#### **MESSAGE:**

Jesus asked His disciples in Matthew 16:13, "Whom do men say that I the son of man am?" and what was their response? Every one of them had his own interpretation but to cut the long story short, this is what gave birth to this statement that was made by Peter; "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

He told Peter, "you are correct, but it was not flesh and blood that revealed it to you but my Father who is in heaven'. Then He added, "Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail..." Upon which rock? The rock of the revelation of who Jesus is! He is more than a Healer; more than a Miracle Worker because He is also the Truth. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

When you want to be a medical doctor, do you go to a commercial college? Where will you go to become a doctor? You go to a medical school. In the same way, if you are going to know who Jesus is, it will not be in a classroom anywhere. That is why in acquiring the knowledge of God; you come back to the Bible. Oh Child of God, get back to studying the word of God better than you have been doing for it is then that your knowledge about this God can keep on improving and your life can conform into becoming more like that of Christ Jesus.

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

\$\times \times 1\$. Oh Lord Jesus Christ, I want to know You more and more. Cause me to be disciplined enough to study Your word and have the Holy Spirit reveal more of You to me.

3 2. Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten my eyes of understanding. Let me know you better.

**Theme:** KNOWLEDGE (Part 3)

**Text:** Proverbs 4:1-7, Isaiah 28:8-9

**Memory Verse:** "Whom shall he teach knowledge? And whom shall he make to understand doctrine? Them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts"

Isaiah 28:9

☐ Hymn 231B: MORE ABOUT JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

The Bible says, "as new born babes (that is, when you are born again), you should desire the sincere milk of the Word" because when a child is born, what do you use to feed that child to grow well? It is breast milk. The milk is the Word of God.

But Isaiah 28:8 says, "For all tables are full of vomit and filthiness, so that there is no place clean". All tables here mean ministry, pulpit. He is not talking about Lagos streets but ministries, churches. The table where the Bread of Life is served; where the Word of God is served, where God's word is preached is full of vomit and filthiness.

So in Verse 9, He asks: "Whom shall he teach knowledge? And whom shall he make to understand doctrine?" Who are those He will make to understand doctrine? He answered it in the same verse and I have explained this severally to our members but for those who may be coming across this for the first time, it is seen in the same verse 9: "…them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts."

Brethren! Where is your strength drawn from, is it from God's word or from the words of a man? Get back to studying the Word of God, oh Child of the Most High.

- 3\$\quad \text{1}\$. Father, May I never find myself placing the words and doctrine of men above the doctrine of Christ.
- & ♀2. Father, sanctify the vessels You use in dishing Your word to us in Bride Assembly Church and sanctify I and my family also.
- 3 3 May my family and I as well as other brethren in Christ live our lives as living sacrifice unto You, oh Lord Jesus Christ!
- 3  $\bigcirc$  4. Oh Lord Jesus Christ, keep me from feeding from tables that are full of vomit and filthiness. Let me not contaminate my spiritual life all in the name of searching for knowledge.

Theme: KNOWLEDGE (Part 4)

**Text:** Proverbs 4:5-7, Isaiah 28:8-10, Proverbs 2:3-6

Memory Verse: "For precept must be upon percept, percept upon percept; line upon line,

line upon line; here a little, and there a little:" Isaiah 28:10

☐ Hymn 231B: MORE ABOUT JESUS

#### **MESSAGE:**

I was neither a religious person nor trying to change my religion when I became a Christian. No! I was looking for God and I knew that the God of the Christians was real. I was looking for truth because I had questions and even after I gave my life to Christ, I had questions. Isaiah 28, verse 10:

<sup>10</sup>"For precept must be upon percept, percept Upon percept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:"

Blessed be the name of the Lord. God said that those that He will teach knowledge are those who are weaned from the milk of the Word of God and not the teachings and doctrines of your church which are man-made words and artificial because they don't carry any power.

However, the Word of God is quicker and powerful, sharper than any two-edged sword. Everything we need to live on earth is in God's Word. Church, what I am saying is, in knowing the truth, take your mind from church doctrine and come back to Bible doctrine then you can flow in a ministry like this. Blessed be the name of the Lord

Know this that the strength of a Christian is determined by the amount of God's Word in you. God packaged His Word in two breasts – the Old and the New Testaments. These are God's two breasts that you suck from them to have a balanced diet. The milk is the Word of God, oh blessed be the name of the Lord.

- 3 1. Father, May I never find myself placing the words and doctrine of men above the doctrine of Christ.
- 2. Oh Lord Jesus Christ! You have sent Your Word to us. Help us to receive it that we may have a better knowledge of You.
- 3. Oh Lord Jesus Christ, keep us feeding from You and may our mind remain focused on You as we journey from earth to glory.

**Theme:** THE PROMISED SEED

**Text:** Genesis 25:1-11, Galatians 4:22-31

Memory Verse: "Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise."

Galatians 4:28

☐ **Hymn 308:** WE ARE HEIRS.

#### **MESSAGE:**

All I am trying to let you know is, God made a promise to Abraham stating, "In thy seed". He gave him a covenant which extends to his children and the promise was to come through Sarah. Watch it, was Ishmael not the son of Abraham? The Bible calls Keturah and the rest, "concubines". They were not Abraham's real wives. The only wife he had was Sarah, but can we say Abraham was not the father of those children born by the concubines?

This lets us understand that there are two groups of Christians even in our day. We have those that are products of human ideas and they are the ones who have produced what we see in the invented Christianity of today, but we have the children of promise that God keeps gathering unto Himself in every age. These are the Bride.

Abraham was old in Genesis 25 and he called his children to bless them. He gave the children of the concubines' gifts but there is the Church of promise. There is Isaac and when it came to Isaac, what did Abraham give him? He gave him all. It means he gave him the gifts plus more.

God promised Abraham a son; but that son according to God will come through his wife Sarah. The promise seemed to be delaying and based on advice; human wisdom, human idea, Ishmael was born. But no matter what ideas you have, God's promise must come to pass. The only thing is that if you refuse to wait for God's timing and promise, you will have the type of trouble Israel still has up till today. If not for Ishmael, we wouldn't have had the Arabs, Palestinians, etc who are the offspring of Ishmael with part of them troubling the world all over.

- ∑1. Father, You have made me a promised seed. Teach me to live in this consciousness.
- 2. Oh Lord Jesus Christ! Teach me to wait patiently on You and to see the full manifestation of Your promise unto me.
- 3 3. Oh Lord Jesus Christ, keep me from making regrettable decisions that can work against me and generations that are yet to be born.

Theme: RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH (Part 1)

**Text:** 2 Timothy 2:15-19 & 23-26, Isaiah 28:8-10

Memory Verse: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not

to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15

☐ Hymn 306: THE ORIGINAL LIFE

#### **MESSAGE:**

People have left the original milk that gives strength spiritually and they are taking in man-made doctrines; thus, Christianity has been reduced to what it is today. Is it therefore surprising that people now take the word of their pastor above what the Bible says? Blessed be the name of the Lord.

This extends to even End-Time Message believers who have substituted the word of God with the words of William Branham; they know every quote from the sermon books of William Branham and know nothing from the Bible. Idolaters in Christianity! The Bible says, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God". Church, I am saying this to provoke somebody, so that you will begin to adjust.

Isaiah 28:10 admonishes us this way: "For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:"

This is how to study the Bible so as to rightly divide the word of truth.

- 3\$\times 1. Father, guide me into refocusing my mind and thoughts on You and You alone.
- 2. Oh Lord Jesus Christ! I pray for total separation from any person, place or thing that I have placed above You.
- 3. Oh Lord Jesus Christ, teach me to be disciplined enough to study Your word while I can.

Theme: RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH (Part 2)

**Text:** 2 Timothy 2:15-19 & 23-26, Isaiah 28:8-10

**Memory Verse:** "For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line,

line upon line; here a little, and there a little:" Isaiah 28:10

☐ Hymn 243: MESSAGE FROM THE LORD

#### **MESSAGE:**

Isaiah was speaking by the Spirit of God and it was what he was hearing that he put down, so he keeps repeating what he was hearing:

"For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:" Isaiah 28:10

This is how to study the Bible. Pick from the Old Testament balance it with the New Testament and you get the complete picture. That was why Branham likened the Bible to a pair of binoculars; one eye on the right (the New Testament) and the other eye to the left (the Old Testament). If you put the binoculars in your eye and you don't focus it well and you are looking at an image of a human being, how many will you see? You will see many figures but as you keep adjusting the focus, from that same binocular, you will see the person or object as one.

Those who refuse to use the Old Testament and New Testament of the Bible in trying to understand the Godhead, what do they see? They see three persons in one God but when you balance the left and right (Old and New Testaments) you will see that the Jehovah God of the Old Testament is the Jesus Christ of the New Testament. One God! One Lord! Line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little, there a little and you get the complete picture. Halleluyah!

- $\bigcirc$  1. Father, guide me to balance my understanding of Your truth with truth from the Old and New Testaments of the Bible.
- $\bigcirc$  2. Oh Lord Jesus Christ! Let every other thing seeking space in my heart that is in conflict with Your word, let it never find a space in me to dwell.
- . Holy Spirit, my Teacher, open my eyes to see Thy truth and let my eyes of understanding be enlightened in Jesus name.

**Theme:** AN EAGLE CHRISTIAN

**Text:** Isaiah 40:28-31.

**Memory Verse:** "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isaiah 40:31.

**Hymn 10:** TEACH ME LORD TO WAIT

#### **MESSAGE:**

Some people are just religious and that is why they go to church. If you ask them why they are Christians, you will discover they are Christians not by revelation but because they were born into Christian families. All they know is, "I am a Catholic, I am an Anglican" and they are proud to tell you the name of their churches. But they know nothing beyond the identification of their churches. Praise the Lord.

But there is something about every true born-again Christian. There is a Spirit you receive that if you find yourself in a wrong place, you will never find comfort inside of you. You will keep saying, "The Bible says like this, but why are they doing like this?" The truth is that "An eagle is an eagle and a chicken is a chicken" and the difference between an eagle and a chicken is in their nature.

Know that a little eaglet hatched among chicks by the mama chicken knows no better, so it thinks the mama chicken is its mother and the other chicks, its brethren. But often it continuously discovers it cannot flow like the rest. There are things happening around that you question as you wait upon the Lord. So Child of God, Wait upon the Lord in prayer, in studying of the Word, in fasting. Wait upon the Lord!

- 3 \quad 1. Holy Spirit, guide me into all truth.
- 3 ♀2. Holy Spirit, guide me as I continually wait on you. Let me become conformed into your image. Make me more like you.
- 3. Holy Spirit, guide me into accepting my true identity in Christ Jesus. Let me soar above everything that has been weighing me down.

**Theme:** THE GOD OF THIS WORLD (Part 1)

Text: 1Timothy 6:6-21, 2 Corinthians 4

Memory Verse: "In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God,

should shine unto them." 2 Corinthians 4:4

☐ Hymn 302: THIS WORLD IS NOT MY HOME

#### **MESSAGE:**

There is a god that people are worshipping now, Jesus Christ called the name of that god, "mammon". Mammon here is a man-made god. And in this age, the god that many people are seeking after is not any shrine; it is not any graven image anywhere.

One way through which mammon is served now is via the love of money. The devil has been able to make the world believe that money is everything. It is true that the Bible says "Money answereth all things", but money cannot give you salvation. So, all things do not include salvation.

People will do everything to have money. Some people were not in the church on Sunday because they have gone on some business appointments. Churches now cannot stay more than one hour for a service on Sunday so that people can go and chase money.

Churches now have stopped preaching salvation and now preach how to get money. Everything now is prosperity. Churches now have ministers that have the eloquence of convincing people on the principle of making money, their churches are filled with thousands of people because that is the god that is presented before the people.

And the Bible says, "The love of money is the root of all evil".

- 3 1. Father! Save me from the lustful desire for mammon especially in regard to my love for money.
- 3 2. Holy Spirit, guide me to financial increase that will take care of my need and place me in a status wherein I can be of help to others and yet I will not replace You with money/mammon.
- 3. Holy Spirit, guide me into cutting off any connection I have with the spirit of greed. Grant me godliness with contentment in Jesus name.

**Theme:** THE GOD OF THIS WORLD (Part 2)

Text: 1Timothy 6:6-21, 2 Corinthians 4

Memory Verse: "But godliness with contentment is great gain" 1 Timothy 6:6

Hymn 302: THIS WORLD IS NOT MY HOME

#### **MESSAGE:**

Let me stress something here, so that you will understand what Apostle Paul is saying when he said in 1Timothy 6:6, "But godliness with contentment is great gain". This is very important. This thing called money; you can be addicted to it. Money is a spirit.

When Apostle Paul says, "Be content", he knew what he was saying because there is no amount of money any human being will have that he will ever be satisfied. For instance, you make a calculation of some business and say "If I can just have one million Naira, I will be satisfied". But as soon as you get that one million you will discover you need more money. You then say, "If I can just get 100 million Naira, I will not look for money again". It is a lie because you will see your mate that had built a 200 million Naira house and soon you will discover that 100 million Naira is nothing.

One thing with money is this; any time you have, the desire to have more will just come. That is why 1 Timothy chapter 6 and verse 6, where we read says, "But godliness with contentment is great gain".

- 3 1. Father! Save me from the lustful desire for mammon especially in regard to my love for money.
- 3  $\bigcirc$  2. Holy Spirit, guide me to live a life filled with thanksgiving for what You have done for me and content for what I have.
- 3 P3. Holy Spirit, guide me to add to my godly living, a life of contentment. Keep me conscious that I am a pilgrim in this world in Jesus name.

**Theme:** THE GOD OF THIS WORLD (Part 3)

Text: 1Timothy 6:6-21, 2 Corinthians 4

Memory Verse: "But godliness with contentment is great gain" 1Timothy 6:6

Hymn 302: THIS WORLD IS NOT MY HOME

#### **MESSAGE:**

<sup>6</sup>"But godliness with contentment is great gain.

<sup>7</sup>For we brought nothing to this world, and it is certain we carry nothing out". 1Timothy 6:6-7

A landlady I used to know died some years ago. She built the house and she had no child. I was discussing with my wife the other day when some of her relations came to the house. They are not her biological children but relations, but they have taken over as they are the people that are now in charge of the house. Now, they bring people every day to buy the house.

They want to sell the house she labored to build, now that she is dead and gone, did she take the house with her when she was going? No! So, all these things that you are struggling to have: many cars, houses in your village and in the cities, to have this and that, fine but remember, you are not going out of this world with them.

Not too many people really take a reflection of life. And this is why we live the way we live. Verse 7, 8 and 9 of 1 Timothy Chapter 6 says, "For we brought nothing to this world, and it is certain we carry nothing out and having food and raiment, let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich, (that is, they that will be pursuing wealth) fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition."

- \$\( \bigcip \) 1. Father! May I not fall into the temptation, snare and many foolish and hurtful lusts that drown men in destruction and perdition. Save me, Oh Lord Jesus Christ!
- 3 2. Holy Spirit guide me to remain heavenly minded and to lay up my treasures in heaven.
- 3. Holy Spirit, guide me to add to my godly living, a life of contentment. Keep me conscious that I am a pilgrim in this world in Jesus' name.

Theme: DECEIVED BY GOD (Part 1)

**Text:** Ezekiel 14:1-4, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-11

**Memory Verse:** "And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I the Lord have deceived that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy

him from the midst of my people Israel". Ezekiel 14:9

☐ Hymn 25: I SURRENDER ALL

#### **MESSAGE:**

Can God deceive somebody? Yes, for the deceived and the deceiver are His. It is a mystery, God said He created the good and the evil; He created the evil for the evil day. He created the evil so that on the day of evil, He will release the evil. Is God not the creator of Satan; Lucifer? Did He not know that Satan will turn against Him? God says Nebuchadnezzar is His servant. He also called Pharaoh, 'My servant'.

Let us read the text from verse 1, Ezekiel chapter 14, to get the proper picture: verse1-4 1"Then came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me. 2And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, 3Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumbling block of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them? 4Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumbling block of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the Lord will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;".

In plain language, what He is saying here is that you can't make God a spare. You can't conclude and come to God for approval only after you have concluded and already decided on what to do, He will grant you that permissive will that you have already chosen to run with.

"For the froward is abomination to the LORD: but his secret is with the righteous". Proverbs 3:32 and "They that are of a froward heart are abomination to the LORD: but such as are upright in their way are his delight." Proverbs 11:20

- 3 \(\text{\text{?}}\)1. Father! May my will be in line with Your will for me at all times.
- 3 ♀2. Holy Spirit, teach me to keep Christ above all and recognize You as my first and major counselor in every decision I make.
- 3. Holy Spirit, teach me to discern when I am being led astray by my lustful desires and wants and teach me to cut off and withdraw and find solace in You lest I destroy the wonderful plan You have for me.

Theme: DECEIVED BY GOD (Part 2)

**Text:** Ezekiel 14:1-4, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-11

**Memory Verse:** "And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I the Lord have deceived that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy

him from the midst of my people Israel". Ezekiel 14:9

☐ Hymn 25: I SURRENDER ALL

#### **MESSAGE:**

Every Christian wants to walk in the perfect will of God and so before we take any major decision, it is normal to enquire of the Lord. That is why there is an office of a prophet. For instance, you are coming to God to enquire whether to relocate from Nigeria to China (because that's the present destination of choice for our Igbo brothers) and you have made up your mind to go there, you have already concluded nothing will stop you from going there, even before going to the prophet.

You have already applied, processed and gotten your visa through an agent. It is after you have done this that you think that it is necessary to see a prophet to enquire from God. That is the idol in your heart! God is saying that because you have this mindset, He (God) will come and talk to you through that prophet according to the idols of your heart – "Thus saith the Lord, your way is open to go to China".

Likewise, a sister would have made up her mind to marry a particular man whether she gets God's approval or not; because the man has money and she believes she has suffered so much. To her 'God will understand'. She may have even agreed to marry the man and fixed the wedding date. Then, in order to fulfill all righteousness, so that God will not say she has not enquired, she will now go to a renowned prophet.

And as it always happens, as she is opening the door, the prophet will say, "Are you not coming because you want to marry Mr. so and so? The Lord says that the man is your husband". The sister will leave there rejoicing that the Lord has confirmed that man as her husband. We, however, know from the place we read in Ezekiel Chapter 14 that God is answering that sister according to the idols of her heart.

We should therefore know that it is not every "Thus saith the Lord" confirming something for you that is actually the perfect will of God for you. God may be confirming what you want for yourself rather than what He wants for you.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

3 ♀1. Holy Spirit, teach me to discern when I am being led astray by my lustful desires and wants and teach me to cut off and withdraw and find solace in you lest I destroy the wonderful plan you have for me.

3 ♀2. Holy Spirit, I surrender to your leadership. Guide me.

**Theme:** DECEIVED BY GOD (Part 3)

**Text:** Ezekiel 14:1-4, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-11

Memory Verse: "And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they

should believe a lie" 2 Thessalonians 2:11

☐ Hymn 29: I AM RESOLVED

#### **MESSAGE:**

Anyone that holds the Bible knows what God expects of a Christian and what He hates. Every fornicator that goes to church knows the Bible is against fornication. Every liar knows that liars will go to hell.

Every married man or woman that goes to bed outside the matrimonial home knows the Bible is against this. The same applies to every drunk. The Bible says none of those people will go to heaven. Everyone listening to me knows this, but you have pleasure in unrighteousness.

Every woman knows her body is sacred. Every Christian woman knows she should not dress like a prostitute. The Bible says there is an attire of a harlot and the attire of a harlot is supposed to be that which will attract her customers because that is her trade and she must advertise her business. And you are going to church, dressed and exposing your body, you know what you are doing is wrong, but you have pleasure in unrighteousness.

There is a line of no return when God will do something that will make them believe a lie. That is, God will deceive them with a lie. Why? It is because they have no love for the truth.

3 ♀1. O Lord my God, open my eyes of understanding to understand Your ways so that I will enjoy sound doctrine and not have pleasure in unrighteousness.

2. Help me Lord to guard my heart so that I will not give heed to seducing spirit tempting me to believe a lie.

3 2 3. Circumcise my heart o Lord to love Your truth so that I will not be deluded.

**Theme:** DECEIVED BY GOD (Part 4)

**Text:** Ezekiel 14:1-4, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-11

Memory Verse: "And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they

should believe a lie." 2 Thessalonians 2:11

☐ Hymn 29: I AM RESOLVED

#### **MESSAGE:**

I told you some time ago how a sister came to me, lamenting and regretting that a brother slept with her; that she feels defiled and came to confess. She did and I prayed for her, telling her "Go and sin no more". But the question I kept asking is why didn't the brother also come till this day? Each time I look at this brother, he equally looks at me. I am sure the question you will be asking is why I have not called the brother, confronted and dealt with him. I cannot do that because it will be dangerous for the lady's safety.

The people that do these things are not converted and are dangerous! But I am looking for something else to use to hook him. Once he enters that trap and I chase him from the church, people will think it is that thing he did that made me chase him. They wouldn't know I am punishing him for the offence he had earlier committed.

That is the difference between a sheep and a goat. When a sheep is stained, it will feel uncomfortable until it is cleansed. Your conscience will disturb you until you confess. But a goat's colour is dirty, so you may not even see any dirt on her body. She enjoys the dirt.

## WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

\$\times 1\$. O Lord, my God, may I be delivered by Your mercy from every form of delusion. Set me free from bondages I have placed myself in, oh Lord Jesus Christ.

3 2. Circumcise my heart o Lord to love Your truth so that I will not be deluded

3. Help me Lord to guard my heart so that I will not give heed to seducing spirit tempting me to believe a lie.

**Theme:** DECEIVED BY GOD (Part 5)

**Text:** Ezekiel 14:1-4, 2 Thess. 2:1-11, Prov. 24:13-14

Memory Verse: "... and thy expectation shall not be cut off" Proverbs 24:14

☐ Hymn 29: I AM RESOLVED

#### **MESSAGE:**

When I speak, I am not only talking about people outside, we must bring it home. Charity begins at home. You may be sitting or lying down or standing right now and you may be deluded and not know. But looking at the Church generally, a lot of Christians have been deluded and they don't even know. Because they do not have love for the truth, God says He will give them over to a delusion to make them believe a lie.

You are dressing like a prostitute and the pastor is telling you, "No, no, no, it doesn't matter". You are perming your hair and everything around you is worldliness and the pastor is saying it doesn't matter. What is your expectation? I heard a man of God saying he is not into the gospel that says women should not wear trousers. He said it dismissively; that, women should dress and look nice. He said it doesn't matter and people believe his lies. But they don't know they believe by a delusion caused by God.

You see! Was your name written in the Book of Life the day you gave your life to Christ? NO! When was your name written in the Book of Life? From the foundation of the world! – Revelation 17:8 and when were you chosen? You were chosen before the foundation of the world - Ephesians 1:4-6 but you see teachers of the word saying, "Write my name in the Book of Life, and cancel it from the book of death".

And most times the church quotes; "thy expectation shall not be cut off" and the truth is that it cannot be cut off because you have knowledge and wisdom as clearly stated in Proverbs Chapter 24 verse 13 & 14, but we must note that our expectation is not just to marry; not just to have a business and financial breakthrough; our expectation as the Bride of Christ is the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ (The Bridegroom). And we need wisdom and understanding so that our expectations will not be cut off.

- \$\( \textsquare\$1. O Lord my God, my expectation of beholding You and becoming one with You, may it not be cut off in Jesus' name.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, grant me 'Heaven at last'. Let the delusional yoke on me be broken in Jesus' name.
- 3. Teach me Holy Spirit to guard my heart; I don't want to be a candidate of the torment of Hell.

**Theme:** THE EXAMINATION (Part 1)

**Text:** Psalm 17:1-4, Hebrews 10:22-23

**Memory Verse:** "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?"

2 Corinthians 13:5

**Ⅲ Hymn 16:** CLEANSE ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

The day I read Psalms 17, I paused for a long time. The first 4 verses there, I paused for a very long time. I'm telling you the first time I came across that chapter in my private study. This is a prayer that somebody is praying before God:

<sup>1</sup>"Hear the right, O Lord, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips." – You are standing before the Creator of the heavens and the earth that knows all secrets and you're saying my lips are clean? "I no dey lie, I'm not a hypocrite" verse 2 -

<sup>2</sup>"Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal. – That is, look at me now and judge me.

<sup>3</sup>"Thou hast proved mine heart; thou hast visited me in the night; thou hast tried me, and shalt find nothing; - that is you have searched me; come to my secret time, in my privacy, in my secrecy you will find nothing to hold against me; O God that knoweth all things. He said, - I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress."

<sup>4</sup>"Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept me from the paths of the destroyer"

Do we still have believers who can beat their chest and say in prayers unto God such words that are similar to the words of the psalmist? Brother! Examine yourself. Sister! Examine yourself.

- \$\mathbb{\infty}\$1. Lord Jesus Christ I come under Your blood. Have mercy on me, save me from my foolishness. Bring me to the point of truth to self and to You.
- 2. Lord I surrender my body unto You as a living sacrifice. Help me Lord to be true to the admonishment of this devotional. Please do not judge me in Your wrath.
- 3 \Quad 3. Lord Jesus Christ save me and my family. Save my marriage. Save the Bride Assembly Church. Cut us off from associations capable of destroying the home You have given to us and please Lord, come and glorify Your name in our lives.

**Theme:** THE EXAMINATION (Part 2)

**Text:** 2 Kings 20:1-11, Job 31, Hebrews 10:22-23

**Memory Verse:** "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?"

2 Corinthians 13:5

**Ⅲ Hymn 16:** CLEANSE ME

#### **MESSAGE:**

God told King Hezekiah, "Prepare, set thy house in order. You are going home. You are dying from that sickness. You will not live" and the Bible says in 2 Kings Chapter 20 that Hezekiah faced the wall and spoke to God, "I cannot die this kind of death. Search me, look at my testimony. Have I not done this? Have I not done this? I cannot die this type of death".

Job also repeated the same thing as seen in Job Chapter 31. In fact, it's the whole Chapter. He stated his life of righteousness. He made a covenant with his eye – he will not behold any maid. If he has ever, that is, lustfully look at another woman, and if he has ever slept with anybody's wife let the same thing happen to him. If he has never made a vow and fulfilled it then let this sickness not go from him. If he has seen somebody who is in need and he did not help, then let the sickness continue. If he has not done this, he started listing all that he did that made him feel he did not deserve what came to him. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

- 3 ♀1. Lord Jesus Christ, grant me genuine brokenness of spirit, break me that I may be sincere with myself and also with You.
- 3 2. Lord, empty me of myself and fill me with more of You. Clear off everything that holds me back from a genuine fellowship with You and with the brethren.
- 3 \Quad 3. Holy Spirit, guide me into making amends where I need to make amends in my life that the devil and evil of our world may have no hold on me in Jesus' name.

Theme: THE WORD OF KNOWLEDGE (Part 1)

Text: Genesis 41-42, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Memory Verse: "And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them"

Genesis 42:9

☐ Hymn 346: I NEED THEE

#### **MESSAGE:**

Among the 9 gifts according to 1 Corinthians chapter 12, there is a gift in the Bible that is known as the gift of the word of knowledge, the gift of the word of knowledge is the ability to know something. But when it comes to the word of knowledge you have a part in it. Praise the Lord.

Some dreams that we receive are answers to inquiries we made via prayers unto God. You're disturbed and you're saying, "Lord, I want to know Your will concerning this. I don't know why this thing is happening around me Lord, let me know why" and then, God can use the dream to give you the answer.

Through dreams, and when I say dreams, it includes visions. I'm talking about the word of knowledge generally. Some of them are instructions from God, instructions for you to carry out to avert some dangers, or to receive a particular blessing – something you are waiting for – instructions from God. Praise the Lord.

Some of them are solutions to some problems, exposing the secrets of the enemy and so that you will know the given instructions for you to receive and have some bearing.

Brethren as much as you desire fellowship with the Lord also desire to hear from God. Desire to get feedback from Him because prayer is communication and communication is a dialogue; there is a call and there is a response; there has to be feedback and one of the ways God uses to give us feedback is via the operation of the gift of the word of knowledge.

- 3 ♀1. Lord Jesus Christ let my gift of word of knowledge be awakened and revived. I want a better relationship with You.
- 3  $\bigcirc$  2. Lord, make me sensitive enough to know, see and follow through on the direction and instructions You are sending ahead to me for my safety sake.
- 3. Holy Spirit, guide me into cutting off the so many things I have engaged myself with that is blocking off my connectivity to You in Jesus' name.

**Theme:** THE WORD OF KNOWLEDGE (Part 2)

**Text:** 2 Kings 6:8-23, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Memory Verse: "For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the

word of knowledge by the same Spirit" 1 Corinthians 12:8

☐ Hymn 346: I NEED THEE

#### **MESSAGE:**

The Syrian soldiers – anytime they are planning to come and attack Israel, God will come to Elisha and reveal their battle plan to him. Each time! That gift was a gift of the word of Knowledge. And then He will tell him, "They are coming with so-so-so number of men, and they are coming through the eastern gate or they're coming through this area, and they'll be coming, so-so-so time" and then Elisha will run to the king of Israel and say, "see o, they're coming like this, they're coming like this" and then the Israeli army, they will now plan their ambush. So, while they're like this they will jam the Israelites.

So, one day the king of Syria says, "Something is happening, there is somebody here, an agent in our midst that is always going to Israel to reveal our battle plan", and somebody said, "king oh, no oh, there is one prophet there, his name is Elisha. Anytime we dey plan, e get the juju wey him dey do, wey e dey use know. Na him be the problem o" and we know the rest of the story how one day they went and surrounded where Elisha was to finish Elisha. But did they succeed? No!

Well, my emphasis is not the story but how the gift of the word of Knowledge also works. Praise the Lord. And brethren, the gift of the word of knowledge operates as you having dreams, or seeing visions or having inspiration from God or hearing His audible voice. Brethren, desire to hear from God!

### WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

2 ♀ 1. Lord Jesus Christ, I want to hear You, open my ears. Jesus, I want to see You, open my eyes. Father, minister to me in the language that I may understand.

3 2. Holy Spirit, guide me into being sensitive enough to know when You are speaking to me and teach me to obey You promptly and wholly in Jesus' name.

### ONE YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN

MAY		
1	Num. 9-11	Rev. 18
2	Num. 12-14	Rev. 19
3	Num. 15-16	Rev. 20
4	Num. 17-19	Rev. 21
5	Num. 20-22	Rev. 22
6	Num. 23-25	Matt. 1
7	Num. 26-28	Matt. 2
8	Num. 29-31	Matt. 3
9	Num. 32-34	Matt. 4
10	Num. 35-36	Matt. 5:1-26
11	Jonah	Matt. 5:27-48
12	1 Kings 1-2	Matt. 6:1-18
13	1 Kings 3-5	Matt. 6:19-34
14	1 Kings 6-7	Matt. 7
15	1 Kings 8-9	Matt. 8:1-17
16	1 Kings 10-11	Matt. 8:18-34
17	1 Kings 12-13	Matt. 9:1-17
18	1 Kings 14-15	Matt. 9:18-38
19	1 Kings 16-18	Matt. 10:1-20
20	1 Kings 19-20	Matt. 10:21-42
21	1 Kings 21-22	Matt. 11
22	2 Kings 1-3	Matt. 12:1-23
23	2 Kings 4-6	Matt. 12:24-50
24	2 Kings 7-9	Matt. 13:1-30
25	2 Kings 10-12	Matt. 13:31-58
26	2 Kings 13-14	Matt. 14:1-21
27	2 Kings 15-16	Matt. 14:22-36
28	2 Kings 17-18	Matt. 15:1-20
29	2 Kings 19-21	Matt. 15:21-39
30	2 Kings 22-23	Matt. 16
31	2 Kings 24-25	Matt. 17
JUNE		
1	Hos. 1-4	Matt. 18:1-20
2	Hos. 5-8	Matt. 18:21-35
3	Hos. 9-11	Matt. 19
4	Hos. 12-14	Matt. 20:1-16
5	Jer. 1-2	Matt. 20:17-34
6	Jer. 3-5	Matt. 21:1-22

7	Jer. 6-8	Matt. 21:23-46
8	Jer. 9-11	Matt. 22:1-22
9	Jer. 12-14	Matt. 22:23-46
10	Jer. 15-17	Matt. 23:1-22
11	Jer. 18-19	Matt. 23:23-39
12	Jer. 20-21	Matt. 24:1-28
13	Jer. 22-23	Matt. 24:29-51
14	Jer. 24-26	Matt. 25:1-30
15	Jer. 27-29	Matt. 25:31-46
16	Jer. 30-31	Matt. 26:1-25
17	Jer. 32-33	Matt. 26:26-50
18	Jer. 34-36	Matt. 26:51-75
19	Jer. 37-39	Matt. 27:1-26
20	Jer. 40-42	Matt. 27:27-50
21	Jer. 43-45	Matt. 27:51-66
22	Jer. 46-47	Matt. 28
23	Jer. 48-49	Phil. 1
24	Jer. 50	Phil. 2
25	Jer. 51-52	Phil. 3
26	Joel	Phil. 4
27	Deut. 1-3	Acts 1
28	Deut. 4-6	Acts 2:1-21
29	Deut. 7-9	Acts 2:22-47
30	Deut. 10-12	Acts 3
JULY		
1	Deut. 13-15	Acts 4:1-22
2	Deut. 16-18	Acts 4:23-37
3	Deut. 19-21	Acts 5:1-21
4	Deut. 22-24	Acts 5:22-42
5	Deut. 25-27	Acts 6
6	Deut. 28-29	Acts 7:1-21
7	Deut. 30-31	Acts 7:22-43
8	Deut. 32-34	Acts 7:44-60
9	Obadiah	Acts 8:1-25
10	Ruth	Acts 8:26-40
11	Psalms 1-3	Acts 9:1-21
12	Psalms 4-6	Acts 9:22-43
13	Psalms 7-9	Acts 10:1-23
14	Psalms 10-12	Acts 10:24-48
15	Psalms 13-15	Acts 11
16	Psalms 16-17	Acts 12

17	Psalms 18-19	Acts 13:1-25
18	Psalms 20-22	Acts 13:26-52
19	Psalms 23-25	Acts 14
20	Psalms 26-28	Acts 15:1-21
21	Psalms 29-30	Acts 15:22-41
22	Psalms 31-32	Acts 16:1-21
23	Psalms 33-34	Acts 16:22-40
24	Psalms 35-36	Acts 17:1-15
25	Psalms 37-39	Acts 17:16-34
26	Psalms 40-42	Acts 18
27	Psalms 43-45	Acts 19:1-20
28	Psalms 46-48	Acts 19:21-41
29	Psalms 49-50	Acts 20:1-16
30	Psalms 51-53	Acts 20:17-38
31	Psalms 54-56	Acts 21:1-17
AUGUST		
1	Psalms 57-59	Acts 21:18-40
2	Psalms 60-62	Acts 22
3	Psalms 63-65	Acts 23:1-15
4	Psalms 66-67	Acts 23:16-35
5	Psalms 68-69	Acts 24
6	Psalms 70-71	Acts 25
7	Psalms 72-73	Acts 26
8	Psalms 74-76	Acts 27:1-26
9	Psalms 77-78	Acts 27:27-44
10	Psalms 79-80	Acts 28
11	Psalms 81-83	1 Peter 1
12	Psalms 84-86	1 Peter 2
13	Psalms 87-88	1 Peter 3
14	Psalms 89-90	1 Peter 4
15	Psalms 91-93	1 Peter 5
16	Psalms 94-96	Gal. 1
17	Psalms 97-99	Gal. 2
18	Psalms 100-102	Gal. 3
19	Psalms 103-104	Gal. 4
20	Psalms 105-106	Gal. 5
21	Psalms 107-109	Gal. 6
22	Psalms 110-112	2 Cor. 1
23	Psalms 113-115	2 Cor. 2
24	Psalms 116-118	2 Cor. 3
25	Psalms 119:1-88	2 Cor. 4

26	Psalms 119:89-176	2 Cor. 5
27	Psalms 120-122	2 Cor. 6
28	Psalms 123-125	2 Cor. 7
29	Psalms 126-128	2 Cor. 8
30	Psalms 129-131	2 Cor. 9
31	Psalms 132-134	2 Cor. 10
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SEPTEMBER		
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