



EXPLORING THE  
RICHES OF  
REDEMPTION

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# Mission Mandate

“The hour has come to liberate the world from all oppressions of the devil, through the preaching of the Word of Faith and I am sending you to undertake this task.”

# Introduction

Redemption is a spiritual, comprehensive insurance for a life of dignity. It is not limited to the soul and the spirit, it covers all areas of human endeavours. For whosoever the son of man has set free, he shall be free all round.

The Psalmist was speaking in Psalm 103:1-5,

Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Bless the LORD, O my  
soul, and forget not all his  
benefits:

Who forgiveth all thine  
iniquities; who healeth all  
thy diseases;

Who redeemeth thy life  
from destruction; who  
crowneth thee with  
lovingkindness and tender  
mercies;

Who satisfieth thy mouth  
with good things; so that  
thy youth is renewed like  
the eagle's.

This is a prophetic insight to our redemptive package in Christ. You are not born again to suffer again, you are born again to reign again.

Christianity is no mere religion, Christianity is life. The best of life is in Christ Jesus! Jesus said in John 10:10,

...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

If you are born again, you are born again to reign again! You are not born again to suffer again, no! But if you are not born again, you are

bound to suffer.

Anyone who is not born again cannot partake of the glory of redemption.

For all have sinned, and  
come short of the glory of  
God.

Romans 3:23

New birth is not for fun. It is no religion. Rather, it represents a change of status that places you far above all principalities, power and dominion.

Salvation in Christ is your only way out of destruction. Many who are

born again do not know the worth of the redemptive ticket they carry. That is the whole essence of this book – to make you see the benefits loaded in your redemption. Your salvation is not just an escape route to heaven as it were, no! There is more to it.

We have been called unto glory and virtue, yet many are suffering and dying under shame and reproach. But there is a way out!

Your salvation experience becomes strengthened as you encounter wisdom and knowledge. That is exactly what this book will deliver to you. By the encounter you will have in this book, I see the veil torn

off your mind, and the sunlight of God dawning upon you. I see curtains open and every closed destiny released!

When you know your redemptive rights and positioning, you will develop and constantly carry a victory mentality.

Until you know and have an understanding of who you are, by virtue of your new birth, you may still remain in the very bondage of Satan from which Jesus has already set you free. But when you know these things – the things that accompany salvation (Heb. 6:9) – it

becomes easy for you to appropriate your liberty.

Jesus came on an everlasting mission to restore man to the life of God, which Adam lost to Satan. Before Jesus came, man was in a perishing state, stripped of all honour, dignity and power. Man had lost control of every aspect of life and had come under the control of the evil one.

Without Christ, anyone who is not born again is still in the state of perishing under Satan's reign of terror. Only through Christ can anyone enter the covenant and be rescued.

Through Christ, God once again, re-established man in his position of dominion, where he has control over all things. Man can once again live supernaturally on the earth. But this calls for knowledge.

Psalm 82:5 says,

They know not, neither  
will they understand; they  
walk on in darkness: all  
the foundations of the earth  
are out of course.

The manifestation of the supernatural life requires knowledge. A consciousness of your divine nature will change your attitude towards

life and things. You will be so settled about the issues of life that, when men are running helter skelter, you will be at peace.

The world is waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God – that is, those who through an understanding of their divine heritage in Christ, can operate like God on earth. Such ones will be able to exercise total dominion over all issues of life, bringing deliverance to many. They will think, talk and live in the realm of dominion where all things are possible with them. They will have things the way they want it, just like the Word of God

has said.

By the understanding you will encounter in this book, Satan will no longer rob or cheat you again.

Many are born again today, yet they have nothing tangible to show for their Christianity; – they can hardly be differentiated from the rest of the world. They are also subject to all the buffetings and intimidations of the devil. They are ruled by fear, plagued by diseases, poverty and lack.

Why is it so? They are victims of ignorance!

Understanding your redemptive rights and privileges, is the master key to freedom and a life of fulfilment.

Friend, the new birth is much more than merely responding to an altar call. An indepth understanding of your new status in Christ is required to reflect the heavenly life here on earth.

As you go through this book, it is my prayer that your understanding will be opened. You will be aware of your new status in Christ, and it will mark the beginning of your journey into a life of real fulfilment.

# Chapter 1

## YOU BELONG TO ROYALTY

*And they sung a new song,  
saying, Thou art worthy  
to take the book, and to  
open the seals thereof:  
for thou wast slain, and  
hast redeemed us to God  
by thy blood out of every  
kindred, and tongue, and  
people, and nation;*

*And hast made us unto  
our God kings and  
priests: and we shall  
reign on the earth.*

*Revelation 5:9-10*

You are born a king, not a slave.  
You are not born again to suffer, you  
are born again to reign! Christ has  
redeemed you unto God as a priest  
and a king, you are to reign on the  
earth.

It is your heritage to reign, it is not  
your lot to be enslaved, it is not your  
lot to be imprisoned, it is not your  
lot to be buffeted by the winds of  
life, neither is it your lot to be

afflicted.

# “WHO ART THOU?”

And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?

And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ.

And they asked him, What

then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No.

Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?

John 1:19-22

This is the great question the world is asking everyone of us now – “Who art thou?” People are asking us (Christians) today – “How are you different from us, what makes you special, what makes you

peculiar if at all?”

Until you know who you are, you don't really have a future. You need to know your worth in Christ, before you begin to command attention on the earth.

Who are you? “What sayest thou of thyself?” Who do you know yourself to be?

What you say about yourself is important. Many are so bothered about what others say about them.

John told them,

... I am the voice of one

crying in the wilderness,  
Make straight the way of  
the Lord, as said the  
prophet Esaias.

John 1:23

He knew who he was. No wonder he  
caused such waves! Matthew 3  
records:

In those days came John  
the Baptist, preaching in  
the wilderness of Judaea,

Then went out to him  
Jerusalem, and all Judaea,  
and all the region round  
about Jordan,

And were baptized of him  
in Jordan, confessing their  
sins.

Matthew 3:1,5-6

Until you know who you are, you  
won't amount to much in the race of  
life.

It's one thing to be born again, and  
it's another thing to know what that  
salvation is worth. Your knowledge  
of the worth of your salvation,  
determines how much benefit you  
can derive from it.

God said to Abraham:

Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward: For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it...

Genesis 13:14-15,

# IDENTIFICATION

The subject of identification is one of the greatest subjects in redemption. That is, understanding your part with Christ; understanding who you are in Christ; understanding

your worth in Christ.

“What sayest thou of thyself?” It’s very important.

What is the relevance of your redemption to your life? What is your heritage in the death and resurrection of Christ? How do you relate to the price He paid? What does His death have to offer you? What does Christ’s coming to the earth offer you in redemption?

That is what identification is all about. It is uncovering your worth in redemption. That’s identification. This is very important and very crucial.

Identification is a discovery of what you're loaded with in Christ; what Christ has made available to you; what He has made you to be in Him.

I consider this subject of identification as one of the mysteries behind any man's distinction in the kingdom. I believe that mystery, helped in establishing the person and mission of Christ, when He was here on earth. His addiction to the mystery of identification, was the reason for His inexplicable exploit in His earthly ministry. He knew his worth in God! So also, if you get to know your place in Christ, you will command cheap mastery on earth.

Identification begins with a discovery of your root in Christ, understanding who you are by virtue of where you are from and who lives in you and where you are sitted today.

There is no limit to your rising in life if you can understand your root and depth in God. You will come to see that you have enough to show forth the praises of God, through your results.

When you understand your root, you are set for outstanding results, and as you obtain such results, you will begin to command respect in the world.

New birth connects you to a supernatural source, a divine root, and whatever God is worth becomes your new worth.

Isaiah 15:12 calls Jesus “a root of Jesse,” and He Himself declared in Revelation 22:16, “I am the root and the offspring of David...” That’s where we all took off from. He said in John 15:5 that He is the vine and we are the branches. He is the root, and we just grow out of the root to become branches.

So, we are connected to Him, we are united with Him. Whatever He’s worth, that’s what we are worth.

Whatever obtains in the root is the heritage of the branches. Everything the branches enjoy come from the root. Everything that makes for the health, life and vitality of the branches, comes from the root.

Your understanding of your new root, will give you a new sense of worth as a Christian.

Friend, what do you say of yourself? As for me, I have a divine connection; I am connected to a divine source – He is the vine, I am one of the branches. My root is in Him, praise God!

That should help you to think

differently. That means every level of your life should command certain results that will command respect. The world will begin to respect and worship your God, because of the results you are commanding.

And all that is because of your root! You must allow that to be your perspective in life, and you will go places.

I believe the mystery of identification is the strongest force in the world of the spirit. The moment you get connected and walk in this understanding, you become unbeatable in the battles of life.

Let's read from John 5:17-19

But Jesus answered them,  
My Father worketh  
hitherto, and I work.

Therefore the Jews sought  
the more to kill him,  
because he not only had  
broken the sabbath, but  
said also that God was his  
Father, making himself  
equal with God.

Then answered Jesus and  
said unto them, Verily,  
verily, I say unto you, The  
Son can do nothing of  
himself, but what he seeth

the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.

Jesus knew His source and practically identified with it. That was the secret behind His exploits! He knew His root! That gave Him an edge over all of them. They took up stones and wanted to stone Him, because, according to them, He was making Himself equal with God.

He knew so much about His divine connection, and the attendant privileges of that connection. That was the secret behind His strength and consequently, behind the

exploits He did. He was not guessing, He really knew His mission.

Jesus knew His worth, because He understood His root. As long as you are united with your root, you remain unbeatable in the battles of life; you become a devil tormentor – he can't handle you any longer!

When you are united with your root, until they can destroy that root, you remain indestructible! That, is the mystery of identification.

Is Christ in you? If you answer is “Yes”, then you have the hope of glory.

# Chapter 2

## ALIVE AGAIN!

Not everyone that is born of man is a child of God. When Jesus was here

on earth, He had occasion to tell the Jews, “Ye are of your father the devil and the lusts of your father ye will do...” (John 8:44).

Since the fall of man, what makes anyone a child of God is the New

birth. For the natural man to step into the realm of the supernatural, there has to be a conscious stepping out from Satan's fold into God's fold, through Jesus Christ!

Christianity is neither a religion nor a philosophy. It is not belonging to an organisation or a church; it is the release of the life of God into a human vessel. It is becoming a member of a mysterious body, from where you now draw mysterious virtue to live a mysterious life here on earth. Christianity is supernatural.

Jesus in answer to Nicodemus' question said,

...Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

John 3:3

# **WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE BORN AGAIN?**

In response to Jesus' statement quoted above, Nicodemus asked again,

...How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

John 3:4

And Jesus told him in verse 5:

Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

Water and the Spirit here refer to the Word of God and the ministry of the Holy Spirit in convicting the sinner.

Ephesians 5:26 tells us that no man can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Ghost.

Jesus said of the Holy Ghost,

And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

John 16:8

At salvation, there is the ministry of the Holy Ghost that goes into operation, to convict the sinner of the need for a Saviour. The Holy Spirit does that on the platform of the Word of God (which is water) that the

person has heard.

In John 6:63, Jesus said the Word is spirit and life. The Word is spirit, and hand in hand with the Holy Ghost, they two begin to operate in a man to rescue him from the dungeons of death. When this happens, the man becomes born again – born of the Spirit (verse 6).

Note that water baptism is not equal to salvation. No! What we are talking about here is Word-baptism, coupled with the convicting ministry of the Holy Spirit. This is what gets a man born again.

The account of Cornelius' salvation

in Acts 10 shows that the Holy Ghost could not get Cornelius and his household saved until Peter came and preached the Word to them. The Holy Ghost then came on them, convicted them, and got them baptised. We read in Acts 10:44 that,

While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.

The Holy Ghost operates upon the Word that is preached to get a man saved. This is why Jesus told Nicodemus that, “Except a man be born of water and of the spirit,” he

cannot enter into the experience of the new birth.

That is what the mystery of the new birth is all about. It is not forming a church, it is not preaching. It is not being a church official, it is finding and accepting Christ as the saviour of mankind. The big question is, “Are you born of the Spirit?”

New birth is not associating with a church, changing of your style of dressing, or, carrying a copy of the Bible about. It is connection to the divine nature so that you can stop living a mere human life, where you are helplessly subjected to situations

and circumstances.

When you accept Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, you are born again; something significant happens to you. When this happens you consciously step out of Satan's fold! He comes into your heart and gives you a new life. Your old nature gives way and a new nature of Christ is born in you (2 Corinthians 5:17). You are then referred to as being "born again."

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

## 2 Corinthians 5:17

The new birth is a spiritual initiation that re-establishes the divine nature in a man. When you come to Jesus, a spiritual rebirth, which necessitates a spiritual transfer, takes place, and a new growth (in the spiritual realm) starts off in you.

New birth is not a religion, it is a translation, an initiation into a new realm of life.

May I say this again: New birth is not joining a church; it is not carrying a new name; it is connecting to a new source – a divine source – for a new order of life – walking in

majesty, enjoying affluence,  
commanding influence on the earth.

# **YOU ARE A SPIRIT BEING**

That which is born of the  
flesh is flesh; and that  
which is born of the Spirit  
is spirit.

John 3:6

When a human being has a child, that  
child is a natural reproduction of his  
parents. Because he is born of

humans, he is also human. Human beings are made up of flesh and bone, and their offsprings are no less. But when a man is born again, he is born into a new order of existence. He is not born of flesh, but of Spirit; he is therefore, no longer a human being, but a spirit being.

More often than not, however, we are deceived into thinking that because we still live in our physical bodies we are simply human; but nothing could be farther from the truth! Consider Jesus, for instance. He was born of the Spirit, yet He arrived the earth very much human. But there was no denying the fact that

He was also the Son of God. The same is true concerning you.

When you are born again, you are a spirit being, even though you have a mind and live in a physical temple called the body.

When you are born again, you become a spirit being. However, because you are still on this earth, you carry the likeness of man. So, you are a spirit being, even though you are still in the flesh. The flesh everyone sees on you today is nothing more than a clothing that the spirit-you is putting on.

That is why when a beloved one

passes away, you still see the body, but the spirit has left. When you are born again, you have become a spirit of a unique order. That is what makes you manifest the power of God for the supernatural.

New birth initiates you into the spirit world; it translates you into another realm entirely! You were once flesh (a human being) but now you are spirit. You need to know this, because if you don't know who you are, you will never get to enjoy what you should enjoy. If you don't know who you are, you stand to be cheated and robbed right to your face.

“That which is born of the Spirit is

spirit...”

Now, tell yourself, “I am a living spirit. I no longer possess human life, I now carry eternal life in my body. This flesh of mine is nothing but a clothing. The real me is on the inside, sanctified for exploits, ordained to celebrate liberty all the days of my life.”

“That which is born of the Spirit is spirit...”

You are born a spirit. What died in you when Adam fell was your spirit. But when Jesus came He gave it back to you.

The wind bloweth where it listeth,  
and thou hearest the sound thereof,  
but canst not tell whence it cometh,  
and whither it goeth: so is every one  
that is born of the Spirit.

John 3:8

Now you belong to the extraordinary class of people; people who call divine forces into operation like the wind. They blow like the wind and operate outside of the ordinary. You only see the effects of their operation, but others don't see, and cannot tell how the operation was carried out.

Jesus said that the man born of the

Spirit operates like the wind; you cannot tell where the wind is coming from and where it is going, you only hear the sound.

The “sound” of the children of God is not an ordinary sound, it is a sound from the spirit that is backed up with heavenly energy, carrying effectively, whatever orders are given by the saints of God.

If you are born of the Spirit, you are designed to live this order of life. The supernatural life is for everyone who is born of the Spirit of God. You are to exhibit that supernatural nature of God in you in your daily life.

Note that Jesus did not say “that which is born of the Spirit is spiritual.” No! You are not spiritual, you are only called to be spiritually-minded (Romans 8:6). But by virtue of new birth, you now belong to a higher order of the spirit realm.

The supernatural world is the spirit world. God expects you to be alive and alert in the spirit all the time. John 4:24 says,

God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

If you must worship Him profitably, you must do so in spirit and in truth. Your worship must be in the spirit, not in the flesh; for He cannot be stirred up to action by your flesh, only by your spirit. It is your spirit man that relates to Him.

Therefore, how alive your spirit is, determines how much you count before Him and how much of a meaningful relationship you can enjoy with Him.

God is a spirit, you are born of Him, so you are a spirit.

# Chapter 3

## REDEEMED TO REIGN

And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not by a mighty hand.

And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he

will let you go.

## Exodus 3:19-20

Until the blood of atonement was shed, Pharaoh wouldn't let the children of Israel go. But after the blood was shed, he had no choice but to let them go.

The Israelites (before they erred) were God's darling and favourite. But later, they erred from the truth and then found themselves in Egypt. This was not their homeland, it was the wrath of God that landed them there.

We were all in the garden of Eden,

inside Adam. But when he fell, we were scattered to the wilderness of the earth.

Every effort to bring Israel out of Egypt seemed to fail until a lamb was slain. And after the lamb was slain, and the blood was applied, Pharaoh was urgent upon the people to send them away.

The departure of the children of Israel from Egypt was a form of redemption. The Bible says they were baptised in the Red Sea unto Moses (1 Cor. 10:2). So, the blood was their redemption, the passage through the Red Sea was their baptism.

The salvation, the redemption, the exodus of Israel out of Egypt, is a type of our own redemption in Christ.

Every effort from the days of Abraham could not bring us out of the wilderness of the world. There were signs and wonders of various kinds (like in the ministry of Elisha), but people could not return to God until the blood was shed - the blood of Jesus.

Jesus is our passover lamb. I call Him our “crossover” lamb. When the blood of the lamb was shed (in the case of the Israelites, in Egypt), God

went through the land and distinguished His own people. There was a great onslaught in the camp of Egypt; this was the redemption of Israel.

If you are born again, you have been redeemed. You now belong to a new kingdom. Not even armed robbers can wander into your house anymore, because you are now the property of the Captain of the hosts of heaven. The Bible says you have been bought with a price (1 Cor. 6:20; 7:23). No accident can molest you anymore! No more negative stories to tell in your life.

In Galatians 3:13, we read,

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:

You are a redeemed being! Before  
you met Jesus, you were a human  
being, but now that you are born  
again, you have become a redeemed  
being. You are now God's property  
– you now belong to another owner.  
You have changed family. You have  
been redeemed to glorify Him –

For ye are bought with a  
price: therefore glorify

God in your body, and in  
your spirit, which are  
God's.

1 Corinthians 6:20

You are to live a life that glorifies God. You were once with God (in Adam); you sold yourself out (in Adam), and now God has come to redeem you legally – through the shed blood of His Son, Jesus Christ.

Without the shedding of blood, the Bible says, there is no remission of sin (Heb. 9:22). So, His Son came down to the earth to pour His blood out, as the price for your redemption. You have been redeemed. Please

walk in this settled truth.

# **YOU ARE ACCEPTED IN THE BELOVED**

In Ephesians 1:6, the Bible said you have been accepted in the beloved,

To the praise of the glory  
of his grace, wherein he  
hath made us accepted in  
the beloved.

That's why Zechariah 2:8 says that anyone that touches you, touches the

apple of His eye. Even the hair on your head is numbered! You have become a creature of great value, because you have been accepted in the beloved.

Let's read Luke 12:6-7,

Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?

But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows.

You are a creature of great value!  
You have been translated from the  
kingdom of darkness.

Who hath delivered us  
from the power of  
darkness, and hath  
translated us into the  
kingdom of his dear Son:

Colossians 1:13

No more weeping and gnashing of  
teeth for you. You have been  
accepted as His beloved, His banner  
over you is love. Whosoever touches  
you touches the apple of His eye.

In Isaiah 43:1-4, we read,

But now thus saith the  
LORD that created thee, O  
Jacob, and he that formed  
thee, O Israel, Fear not:  
for I have redeemed thee, I  
have called thee by thy  
name; thou art mine.

When thou passest through  
the waters, I will be with  
thee; and through the  
rivers, they shall not  
overflow thee: when thou  
walkest through the fire,  
thou shalt not be burned;  
neither shall the flame  
kindle upon thee.

For I am the LORD thy

God, the Holy One of  
Israel, thy Saviour: I gave  
Egypt for thy ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba for  
thee.

Since thou wast precious  
in my sight, thou hast been  
honourable, and I have  
loved thee: therefore will I  
give men for thee, and  
people for thy life.

Because you are accepted in the  
beloved!

**YOU ARE A NEW**

# CREATURE

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

The word “behold” means, “Look here”, all things have been affected by reason of your redemption.

Salvation represents new life, a new beginning. It represents the dawn of a new day.

Jesus said, “that which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.” So, new birth is the beginning of a new life in the spirit. It brings you into a completely new beginning. Not just an amendment of the past, but a new take-off, a new dawn altogether!

By virtue of Christ’s redemptive work, when you are born again, you have become a new creature – brand new! Not an amendment of your old self, not a modification of your old status. You have come into a new status of being. This new status grants you an entrance into God’s class. God declares you righteous.

He comes into you with all His strength, glory and majesty, and makes you strong in Him.

You are now His loved one; you occupy a special place in His heart. You have His nature, His life, His Spirit, His faith, His love (Ezekiel 36:26). Everything God is and has, is now made available to you. You have become one with Christ – you are joined with Him.

Moreover, all that you lost in Adam, in the beginning, you have regained in Christ. You are now restored to your former place of authority and dominion. You can now hold sway over every situation in life, by virtue

of the new class of being you have taken on. You are as invincible and as indestructible as God.

No devil can defeat you, as you stand in your proper position in God. You are no longer that person whom it was so cheap for the devil to cheat, oppress and afflict. You are a new creature, a new class of being!

Look at what 1 Peter 2:9 says about you –

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the

praises of him who hath  
called you out of darkness  
into his marvellous light:

This scripture gives credence to the fact that you are a new creature, belonging to a royal priesthood and chosen to show forth the praise of God. You now belong to a superior sphere and a higher cadre of life. So, you have no cause to fear what the people of the world fear. No! You are a new creature.

Let's look at 2 Corinthians 5:17  
again:

Therefore if any man be in  
Christ, he is a new

creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

The new birth is here described as being in Christ Jesus. When you consciously step out of Satan's fold and accept Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, He comes into your heart and gives you a new life, a brand new beginning. Your old nature passes away, and the new nature of Christ Jesus takes over. That is the truth.

# Chapter 4

## YOU ARE UNIQUE!

*Friend, you are on the  
winning side!*

*You belong to the winning  
camp*

*Your case is different*

*Your Father is the referee*

*He will never blow the  
whistle*

*Until you are declared  
the winner*

*Your case is different!*

The mentality of your uniqueness in Christ will enhance your dignity in the race of life.

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness

into his marvellous light:

Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

1 Peter 2:9-10

Every born again Christian is a peculiar treasure. You are not common (Acts 10:15). You belong to royalty. You are peculiar! Different! To be envied! Strange! A special breed! Decked in God's holiness, showing forth His glory on the earth. But if you don't know these, you will

live and die like mere men.

You are not just an ordinary man on the street, you are a peculiar person, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, chosen to show forth the glory of God, who has called you out of darkness into His marvellous light. You just must become possessed with the mentality of your uniqueness.

You have been imparted with the holiness of God – He has justified you to glorify you, not to humiliate you. You have a glorious destiny in Christ. Your case is different.

Many years ago (while I was still in

school), we wrote an exam, and at the end of it, one of my classmates asked me, “Bro. David, how was the exam?” I said, “Cheap!”

Then he said, “It’s possible that nobody will pass this exam.” And I said to him, “All of you are free to fail, as for me, my case is different.”

A young man shared this testimony in church recently:

“I got the news that a sister had an accident and was in an hospital at Ilesha. I went to see her on Tuesday, and got to Ife at about 3:05 p.m. on my way back to Lagos. The Ife/Modakeke communal problem

had just started, so I tried to leave the vicinity fast. But I ran into the rioters.

One of them asked where I was coming from and going to. I told him I was going to Lagos, but he said no one claims citizenship of Lagos, so where exactly was I from. I told him the name of my hometown, which is a very close town to Modakeke. He then accused me of being a spy, sent to spy out what was going on.

I denied the accusation, but placing his gun on my chest, he said I should count 1, 2, 3. He was set to fire the gun. But rather than count 1, 2, 3, I said, 'I have power with God, I'm

not set to die, I'm on course with Jesus and have not finished it.'

*He placed his gun down and challenged me, asking who told me to speak English. I then began to speak in tongues. He sized me up and said, 'If not because of what I see in your face, I would have killed you.' Here am I today, sharing the testimony!"*

— ***Afolabi, T.***

Some years ago, an armed robber was in one of our services, and in his testimony later, he said his gang came to operate in the church. But when they came in, they saw a flame

of fire on everyone's head. Their hearts failed them and they left. The following day he now came to church asking to be saved. He handed over all his weapons, which I instructed that they should tell him to drop down the soakaway himself.

Friend, there's a flame of fire on your head that makes you unique among men! There's a seal of royalty on your forehead. So, appreciate that your case is different in the race of life.

The word "peculiar" means, a different specie of person, not the same with others in the world. The things that happen to them are not

permitted to happen to you, because you carry a seal of peculiarity on your life.

Say ye not, A confederacy,  
to all them to whom this  
people shall say, A  
confederacy; neither fear  
ye their fear, nor be afraid.

Isaiah 8:12

I think that is where a lot of Christians miss it. They always identify with the world in the natural, and miss their place in the supernatural. So, they suffer what the natural people suffer. Friend, your case is different! Haven't you heard?

For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.

Isaiah 60:2

Why? Because you are peculiar. Your case is different. Stop thinking the way the world thinks or you will keep suffering the way they suffer. Your case is different. Stop fearing what they fear or you will begin to fall the way they fall.

A consciousness of your peculiarity is a great asset. You need to

convince yourself time and again that your case is different. For instance, it's not just that I don't have high blood pressure, the issue is that I cannot have high blood pressure! That was how I rejected high blood pressure when one of my doctor relations, on checking my blood pressure, came up with the verdict, "You have high blood pressure."

I declared vehemently, "I cannot have high blood pressure!" Why? I belong to divine royalty. I am a holy nation. I have been called to show forth His praises, not His pities.

From now on, everyone who has been pitying you will begin to envy

the work of God in your life!

I don't care how many businesses close down in your area, you will keep multiplying. Why? Your case is different.

Get yourself possessed with this consciousness and never fear what they fear, never say what they say, never agree with them:

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

Say with me, “My case is different.  
I’m on the winning side. I belong to  
the winning camp. My Father is the  
referee of the game. He will never

blow the final whistle until I am declared the winner. My case is different. I cannot fall the way they fall. I cannot fail the way they fail. My case is different.”

You will keep generating victory after victory in battle because your case is different. What affects the people of the world cannot affect you; what is molesting them cannot molest you; because your case is different.

You have been translated from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of His own dear Son. You are now in another kingdom, your case is different from that of those in

the natural kingdom.

This is for you a very powerful platform upon which you can operate your faith. Your peculiarity is a great asset in the school of faith.

A plague is raging all around you, say, “My case is different!” The vehicle you’re in seems to be on the verge of an accident, declare, “My case is different!”

Your case is different! You are a peculiar being, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, chosen to show forth the praises of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvellous light.

With this understanding, I curse every molestation of sickness and disease in your life, in Jesus' name! Every negative report that is out to wreck your destiny in Christ, I curse right now, and I command them to be turned around for good. Why? Because your case is different! Start thinking differently.

Unfortunately, Job didn't know that his case was different, so he started fearing what other businessmen of his time feared (Job 3:25).

But Satan saw an hedge around him and all that he owned (Job 1:10). Psalm 34:7 says,

The angel of the LORD  
encampeth round about  
them that fear him, and  
delivereth them.

And in Hebrews 1:14, we read,

Are they not all  
ministering spirits, sent  
forth to minister for them  
who shall be heirs of  
salvation?

So, you have an angelic guard  
around you. There's a wall of fire  
around you; because the angels of  
God constitute a hedge of fire around  
you (Hebrews 1:7).

It's time to carry this mentality about with you. You will not have anymore negative stories to tell the remaining days of your life! Your case is different.

# **GOD IS YOUR FATHER**

The hottest message Jesus ever preached was the message of identification. It is the most threatening message to the devil.

When you identify with the Father, all hell goes into disarray! That was

what happened when Jesus declared  
in John 10:30,

I and my Father are one.

Satan hates the subject of  
identification. Two times he tried to  
kill Jesus on that basis. See what  
happened in John 10:31. As soon as  
Jesus made the above declaration in  
verse 30, we are told:

Then the Jews took up  
stones again to stone him.

In John 14:8, Philip said to Him,  
“Lord, shew us the Father, and it  
sufficeth us.” And Jesus answered:

...Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Show us the Father?

John 14:9

I would like to believe that Jesus' understanding of the subject of identification (with the Father, God), was the reason for His divine distinction in His ministry. He knew His worth in His Father.

Let's read John 5:17,

But Jesus answered them,  
My Father worketh  
hitherto, and I work.

And again,

Therefore the Jews sought  
the more to kill him,  
because he not only had  
broken the sabbath, but  
said also that God was his  
Father, making himself  
equal with God.

Verse 18

The devil hates to see a man  
identifying with God as his Father,  
and that is just the summary of the

story of our redemption.

Jesus came to establish the fatherhood of God. We used to sing a song in our Scripture Union days that goes like this:

*“God is my Father, Jesus  
is my brother*

*And the blessed Holy  
Spirit is my guide.*

*The devil’s no relation*

*For I ‘m a new creation*

*And a member, of the  
family of the Lord.”*

The devil hates that understanding!  
But one needs to go beyond singing it  
to coming to understand it, and  
discover what that means to you in  
your day-to-day affairs. You know  
that God is your Father, and beyond  
that, you think it, you declare it and  
believe it.

In John 5, from verses 19-27, Jesus  
was just talking about the virtues of  
His identification:

*Then answered Jesus and  
said unto them, Verily,  
verily, I say unto you, The  
Son can do nothing of  
himself, but what he seeth  
the Father do: for what*

*things soever he doeth,  
these also doeth the Son  
likewise.*

*For the Father loveth the  
Son, and showeth him all  
things that himself doeth:  
and he will show him  
greater works than these,  
that ye may marvel.*

*For as the Father raiseth  
up the dead, and  
quickeneth them; even so  
the Son quickeneth whom  
he will.*

*For the Father judgeth no  
man, but hath committed*

*all judgment unto the  
Son:*

*That all men should  
honour the Son, even as  
they honour the Father.  
He that honoureth not the  
Son honoureth not the  
Father which hath sent  
him.*

*Verily, verily, I say unto  
you, He that heareth my  
word, and believeth on  
him that sent me, hath  
everlasting life, and shall  
not come into  
condemnation; but is  
passed from death unto*

*life.*

*Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.*

*For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;*

*And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.*

When you understand your root, you are set to obtain results, and by those results, you continue to command respect.

Until you understand that you and your Father, God are one, you won't go far in life – Christianity might become a burden or frustration for you. God is your Father and you and Him belong to the same order of existence.

“I and my Father are one.”

That's the truth! And you can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth (2 Cor. 13:8). You and your Father are one, you enjoy the same

order of life. You carry His genes in you, and you can operate at the same level at which He operates. That's why Jesus said that the works He did, you will do, and even greater works (Jn. 14:12) because you have enough backing from heaven to go beyond wherever He stopped.

He said to Philip, "he that hath seen me hath seen the Father..." That is, "Don't look for the Father, just look at me. Whoever has seen me, has seen the Father." That's complete identification.

In His ministry, Jesus generated such great exploits; and they attributed those exploits to His wisdom –

And when he was come  
into his own country, he  
taught them in their  
synagogue, insomuch that  
they were astonished, and  
said, Whence hath this man  
this wisdom, and these  
mighty works?

Matthew 13:54

That was the Father's wisdom  
finding expression in a son who had  
a sound understanding of His  
identification.

Friend, your life is rooted in the  
Father, and everything that the Father

carries, has a way of expressing itself in your own life too. You are His offspring – that's where you began your journey from. When you gave your life to Christ, your lineage changed. He said in 2 Corinthians 6:17-18,

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, ... and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters ...

At new birth, you were transplanted

from a carnal world into a spiritual world, and now you are planted in Him – planted by the rivers of life – so that you can begin to give expression to fruits of life.

Watch out! If you can get yourself thoroughly and genuinely committed to your root, your way of thinking will change.

# **YOU ARE A CHILD OF GOD**

But as many as received  
him, to them gave he

power to become the sons  
of God, even to them that  
believe on his name:

John 1:12

And we also read in Romans 8:16,

The Spirit itself beareth  
witness with our spirit,  
that we are the children of  
God.

Understanding your sonship power,  
rights and privileges, is the master  
key to freedom and a life of  
fulfilment. That is what puts you  
over, and puts the enemy on the run.  
As long as Jesus emphasised His

sonship, the enemy was kept restless on his toes.

Your status as a son of God commands respect in all kingdoms – human, animal etc. That is what makes Christianity different. It is neither a religion nor a philosophy. It is not belonging to an organisation; but the release of the life of God into human vessels who are now sons of God.

You are a son of God and you and your Father are one. To the devil and his agents, that's blasphemy, but to you, it is your heritage. You and your Father are one, therefore, you can do all things through Christ who dwells

on your inside, energising your inner man.

The Bible says concerning you:

The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

John 3:8

This is where your enlistment into the realm of the supernatural lies. No one can explain the events of your life, yet they cannot be denied. Not

even you can proffer explanations for certain things that are happening in your life. Yet such things cannot be denied, they are tangible and visible.

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

John 1:12

When you are born in the natural, you are the son of man. But when you give your life to Christ, you become a son of God (whatever you are, male or female). It's a completely

new lineage. Your genealogy changes at your encounter with Christ. You now have a heavenly family to which you are connected.

That should give you another way of thinking – that you were once from below, but now you are one of those from above. That should give you a superiority complex; because whatever is from above is above all.

So, new birth changes your origin. You are no longer natural, you are supernatural and you should live a superior life, because you are from above.

# MATURING INTO SONSHIP

For the earnest expectation  
of the creature waiteth for  
the manifestation of the  
sons of God.

Romans 8:19

The world is waiting for the  
manifestation of the sons of God.  
That is, those who through an  
understanding of their divine nature,  
can operate like God on earth. Such  
ones will be able to exercise total  
control over all issues of life,

bringing deliverance to many. They will think, talk and live in the realm of dominion, where all things answer to them. They will be having things the way they want it, according to the Word of God.

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.

Galatians 4:1-2

At new birth, you are born a child (Isa. 9:6), with the potential of becoming a son. Remember John 1:12 says, “But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.”

There is a seed of sonship implanted in everyone at new birth, which will have to undergo the usual growth processes, for one to mature into sonship. A child is born, but sons are given. Of Jesus, the Bible said in Isaiah 9:6,

For unto us a child is born,  
unto us a son is given: and  
the government shall be

upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

And in Luke 2:52 we read:

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

Just like in the natural, there are many who are born again, but are being robbed and cheated by the devil and his agents, because their victims refuse to grow. They choose to remain babies, still feeding on

milk. Milk is for new born babies (1 Peter 2:2).

Friend, the fact that you are born again does not give you automatic access to your inheritance in the kingdom of your Father, God. You have to grow into it through knowledge and spiritual exercises like prayer, fasting, etc.

As long as you refuse to grow, you will live as a servant, never tasting a vast portion of your inheritance in Christ.

Your sonship is the backbone of life in the supernatural. That is what gives you access to walk in the

realm of the supernatural.

# **SONSHIP WITH POWER**

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

John 1:12

The cardinal mark of our sonship is power – power to reign, power to exercise authority.

Like I earlier said, there are many in the church today, who though born again, hardly have anything tangible to show for their Christianity. They can hardly be differentiated from the rest of the world. They are subjected to all the buffetings and intimidations of the devil; they are ruled by fear, plagued by diseases, poverty and lack. But the truth is that they are simply victims of ignorance more than anything else.

Jesus is the pattern Son. He is our perfect example; and as the Father has sent Him, so He sent you. Everything Jesus manifested as a son ought to come cheaply to you, when

you attain the status of sonship. That is the time you will take charge and be in control of all the affairs of life.

“... to them gave he  
power...”

You entered into God's kingdom with a power gift package at new birth. You are a child of power! Power is the foundation of your new life in Christ Jesus.

New birth is an initiation into the realm of power.

The day you received Jesus, you were initiated into the realm of covenant power.

1 Corinthians 1:24 tells us that Christ is the wisdom and power of God. If Christ dwells in you, the power of God is resident on your inside. It is a covenant position that guarantees triumph.

Know this friend: Once you are saved, you become a power-loaded personality. Salvation brings you from the realm of weakness into the realm of power.

We read in Ephesians 2:6,

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

To sit together here refers to enthronement. New birth confers on you power to ascend the throne.

And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

Ephesians 1:19

It takes power to ascend your throne. It's time to bring down every Goliath that is harassing your family, your business, etc. (1 Samuel 17).

It's time to stop sitting down and allowing the enemy to harass you.

You are loaded with power, go now and harass him!

At new birth you are connected by covenant to the original source of power. It is a privileged position. Your future is not certain without God's power at work in you. Acts 10:38 tell us:

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

Now it's your turn. This power is real! It works!

From this time forth, everywhere you find yourself, you will be identified with power from on high. Your manifestation will be undeniable!

# Chapter 5

## A CITIZEN OF HEAVEN

For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 3:20

In The Good News Bible, it is rendered this way,

We, however, are citizens of heaven, and we eagerly wait for our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, to come from heaven.

If your sins have been forgiven, you are only on a mission here. You have become a citizen of heaven – heaven is your home base. So, you are not subject to the things that happen here on earth – you have the immunity of heaven backing you.

But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us

together with Christ, (by  
grace ye are saved;)

And hath raised us up  
together, and made us sit  
together in heavenly  
places in Christ Jesus:

Ephesians 2:4-6

Let's also look at Ephesians 1:19-  
21,

And what is the exceeding  
greatness of his power to  
us-ward who believe,  
according to the working  
of his mighty power,

Which he wrought in  
Christ, when he raised him  
from the dead, and set him  
at his own right hand in the  
heavenly places,

Far above all principality,  
and power, and might, and  
dominion, and every name  
that is named, not only in  
this world, but also in that  
which is to come:

If you are saved, you need a “far-above” mentality to enhance your dignity in this wicked world. You are raised together with Jesus and made to sit together with Him in heavenly places; and we are told

that, those heavenly places are located far above all principalities and power and might and dominion – witches, wizards, occultic powers, native doctors, etc.

We, however, are citizens of heaven ...

Philippians 3:20

Our citizenship is in heaven. That's where we live, that's our home. I would like you to become heavenly conscious in your spiritman. It will give you the boldness required to face the forces of hell that would want to find out the depth of your knowledge of the truth.

The day you got born again, your citizenship changed. You are no more earthly, but now heavenly. You are guarded and surrounded by heavenly immunities as you walk in earthly places. You need to know this! It is a covenant position that guarantees triumph.

It's time to see that you are seated far above, not "near below". This is what Christianity is all about.

**YOU'RE AN  
AMBASSADOR**

You are an ambassador, a representative of Jesus on earth.

Now then we are ambassadors for Christ....

2 Corinthians 5:20

You are an ambassador of heaven. This also proves that you are a citizen of heaven because only a rightful citizen of a nation can hold an ambassadorial position. Only a citizen of Nigeria can represent Nigeria in a foreign country. So also, only a citizen of heaven can represent heaven. Only a rightful citizen can represent his nation.

Just like a Togolese cannot be sent to represent Nigeria in India, so also an ambassador of Christ has to be a citizen of heaven. The ambassador stands to represent the interests of his nation in the country where he is sent to.

Similarly, as Christ's representative, you are required to stand in for Him here on earth. By reason of this privilege, you enjoy the immunity of the kingdom you are representing. The ambassador enjoys special privileges. He is well protected, and is treated as very special; even his passport bears a special mark!

For instance, to manhandle the

American ambassador to Nigeria is to cause national calamity, all diplomatic relations between the two countries would be severed.

Similarly, everything about the believer is marked; he cannot be treated carelessly because he is enjoying the immunity of heaven against earthly authorities.

An ambassador is an intermediary between two countries – his country and the country he is sent to. So also, the believer reconciles the world back to God. No one that is deaf or dumb can be made an ambassador for his country.

Why then should a born again child of God be blind, deaf and dumb or, indeed, be found with any form of deformity? It is alien to his nature and does not prove his supernaturality. Indeed the position of an ambassador is one of absolute protection.

As an ambassador, therefore, you are entitled to heaven's protection, authority and provisions. You are expected to live in health and prosperity because there is neither sickness nor poverty where you come from!

When I came to Jesus (became born again) I came with tuberculosis. I

had already gone through all the necessary medical treatment but to no avail. After my new birth, I went on an adventure into the four gospels. I read them over and over again and imbibed all the miracles Jesus performed. As I did that, a holy anger rose in me. Then I went to Him and said, “Lord Jesus if it is true that You performed all those miracles, if they did not lie against you, then heal me today.” I held on to Him.

I am supposed to be His representative on earth and I cannot do that effectively with tuberculosis.

I stayed with Him that night and I was set free. For over 23 years now, I have been free. Tuberculosis disappeared, never to return.

Imagine what it would have looked like if I still had it as a preacher. Who would have been saved?

You are an ambassador of Christ which means that heaven can now entrust its welfare to you to represent it effectively here on earth. That means that every action of yours and every step you take must prove who and what you are. What is not permitted in heaven should not be found in you.

Would it not make news if a natural ambassador was caught in a brawl or found in a brothel?

The essence of the new birth therefore is, once flesh, now spirit; once you were seated in the earthly realm, but now you have been raised up together with Christ Jesus, and are now seated with Him in heavenly places. Therefore, you are a citizen of an entirely different kingdom, your presence on earth is just ambassadorial; you are simply representing the interest of your place of origin.

Now then we are  
ambassadors for Christ...

## 2 Corinthians 5:20

That means that just as in the natural, ambassadors enjoy the immunities of the nations they represent, as an ambassador of Christ here on earth, you should enjoy all the immunities that the kingdom of God has to offer.

Also, ambassadors enjoy comfort proportional to the wealth of the country they represent. That is why embassy staff of certain nations move about in taxis, while others have two cars attached to them. The poverty or wealth of the nations they represent naturally follows them wherever they go. New birth

establishes a change in your citizenship, from earthly to heavenly.

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:6

He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all.

John 3:31

# YOU'RE BORN A SIGN!

Now you're beginning to understand who you really are now that you're born again, and the power that your new status confers on you. This is the foundation for walking in the miraculous. Let's look at John 3:8 again:

The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of

the Spirit.

From this scripture, it is obvious that every born again person is born a sign. Nobody can tell where he is going to or where he is coming from – his ways cannot be determined, just as it is with God; he becomes a walking miracle, operating signs naturally at will. Jesus said in Mark 16:16-17:

He that believeth and is  
baptized shall be saved;  
but he that believeth not  
shall be damned.

And these signs shall  
follow them that believe;

In my name shall they cast  
out devils; they shall speak  
with new tongues;

And again in Luke 10:19 He said,

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.

Friend, you must appreciate your  
privileged position in God's end-  
time miracle plan. You are an arrow  
in the hands of God, which He will  
release this end-time to torment all  
the forces of darkness. You will not

disappoint destiny, in Jesus' name!

# Chapter 6

## A SILVER SPOON IN YOUR MOUTH

In Luke 4:18, Jesus declared His mission thus:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the

captives, and recovering  
of sight to the blind, to set  
at liberty them that are  
bruised,

He said, “to preach the gospel to the  
poor...” The gospel means good  
news. And what is good news to the  
poor? “Supplies are available!”  
That’s good news to the poor.

Good news to the hungry is, “Food is  
available!”

Good news to the naked is “Clothing  
is available!”

To those without a roof over their  
heads, the good news is: “Shelter!”

And to the poor, the goodnews is:  
“There is abundance!”

Jesus said He has been anointed to preach the good news to the poor; that “You don’t have to remain poor. I have paid the price for your supplies.” This is authenticated in 2 Corinthians 8:8,

For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.

So, among the reasons for which Jesus came is to redeem you and I

from poverty. Jesus came not only to enrich your spirit, but also to enrich you all round. He came down to take you up (Ephesians 2:5-7).

It is important for you to appreciate the fact of this spiritual placement. When you do, you begin to command the exceeding riches of His grace.

Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

That in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:5-7

When I was growing up, in the Sunday School, we were told many stories about heaven. Later in the Scripture Union (SU), we had so many songs that depicted the colour, beauty, grandeur and splendour of heaven! Even the streets, we learnt, are paved with gold! All that is in the Word of God.

There's no shortage in heaven, no

lack, no struggling! And the Bible says Jesus has raised you up, and made you sit together with Him in heavenly places. And as an ambassador of heaven here on earth, you are to enjoy heavenly supplies and provisions, granting you immunity from lack and want.

Redemption has established such a spiritual status for you that grants you the privilege to live a heavenly life in this world.

In the natural, looking at the American Ambassador to Nigeria, or the Nigerian Ambassador to the USA or wherever for instance, the provisions of these countries have to

follow them. What they eat in their countries is made available for them in the countries where they are ambassadors.

## HEAVEN ON EARTH

But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:)

Or, Who shall descend  
into the deep? (that is, to  
bring up Christ again from  
the dead.)

But what saith it? The  
word is nigh thee, even in  
thy mouth, and in thy heart:  
that is, the word of faith,  
which we preach;

That if thou shalt confess  
with thy mouth the Lord  
Jesus, and shalt believe in  
thine heart that God hath  
raised him from the dead,  
thou shalt be saved.

For with the heart man

believeth unto  
righteousness; and with the  
mouth confession is made  
unto salvation.

Romans 10:6-10

You need to understand the dimensions of provision already made for you to enjoy here on earth. From the scripture above, we see, however, that it is the operation of faith that connects you to your heavenly resources. It helps you to enjoy your heavenly immunity. The Word of God has the power to connect you to your heavenly inheritance.

It is possible therefore, to live the heavenly life in this dark world. It is possible to enjoy heavenly immunity in this world of crises. It is possible to enjoy heavenly provisions in this world of scarcity.

Without going to the market to do any shopping, Jesus fed five thousand men (minus women and children) in the wilderness! The supply was a dignified one (John 6:5-13).

Please, be possessed with your ambassadorial status! You are entitled to heavenly provisions in your earthly journey, because you are an ambassador of Christ in this world. Don't join the doubters, the

scriptures cannot be broken. 1  
Corinthians 2:9 says,

But as it is written, Eye  
hath not seen, nor ear  
heard, neither have entered  
into the heart of man, the  
things which God hath  
prepared for them that  
love him.

The provisions are enormous! They  
are staggering! But you need to know  
how to appropriate them. My books,  
Understanding Financial Prosperity,  
Covenant Wealth and Breaking  
Financial Hardship will be of great  
help to you in this light. Get them,

and you will be armed with the knowledge of how to enjoy your heavenly provisions and supplies.

You are no longer poor! There's a silver spoon in your mouth.

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8

It is amazing to know that there is a place in this world where God makes all grace abound to a man or a

woman, so that he or she can have all sufficiency in all things. You will no longer be found on the floor! Every trace of suffering will be terminated in your life forever!

## **ABUNDANCE IS YOUR HERITAGE**

Redemption is your divine insurance for abundance. When He was to bring Israel out of Egypt., He said,

And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall

come to pass, that, when  
ye go, ye shall not go  
empty:

Exodus 3:21

Psalm 105:37 reports it this way,

He brought them forth also  
with silver and gold: and  
there was not one feeble  
person among their tribes.

If you are saved, you are secured  
materially. Salvation equals material  
security. This is part of God's  
package for you in redemption.

“... ye shall not go empty.”

This establishes the fact that God is not interested in the emptiness of His people. Rather, He is committed to their abundance.

Redemption is not complete without divine provisions, as it goes on to authenticate the validity of redemption.

I see God terminate every form of material emptiness in your life. From now on, emptiness will no longer be identified with you. Why? Because you have been redeemed, and you are redeemed to be provided for. You have not been redeemed to beg, but to be supplied for. Abundance is your heritage. You are redeemed to

give out, to scatter abroad (Psalm 112:9).

Everything Jesus suffered, He suffered on your behalf. They took away His clothes so that you will not walk naked. They stripped Him naked so you can be clothed with the garments of salvation. Jesus was thirsty so that your cup will never run dry. He said, “I thirst” (John 19:28).

Remember, when He took the place of Barabbas, Barabbas was set free (Mark 15:16).

You have been redeemed, emptiness is no longer your lot. You have been

redeemed; you have been guaranteed divine provisions.

By the Israelites' redemption, the Bible says, "they spoiled the Egyptians." There was a supernatural transfer of wealth that was initiated and provoked by redemption.

And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment:

And the LORD gave the

people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

Exodus 12:35-36

It was a supernatural arrangement! After all, the Egyptians could have said, “We have just lost our children, why must we also lose our property?” We see there a supernatural conversion of wealth on the platform of divine favour. Their four hundred years of labour in Egypt was paid for in form of supernatural arrears in one day!

Egypt's wealth was handed over to Israel overnight.

There is coming such a massive unheard of conversion of wealth of the heathen to the body of Christ in these last days. You will not miss your portion in it!

“He brought them forth with silver and gold...” (Psalm 105:37).

Redemption is your authentic guarantee for divine provisions. If you are saved, you are secured, materially and financially. This is one major blessing that accompanies salvation.

# UNUSUAL AFFLUENCE!

God has an agenda to make wondrous provisions available for the latter day saints. Look at Joel 2:21-26:

Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things.

Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and

the vine do yield their strength.

Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

And I will restore to you

the years that the locust  
hath eaten, the  
cankerworm, and the  
caterpillar, and the  
palmerworm, my great  
army which I sent among  
you.

And ye shall eat in plenty,  
and be satisfied, and  
praise the name of the  
LORD your God, that hath  
dealt wondrously with  
you: and my people shall  
never be ashamed.

We are in God's great programme of  
wondrous provisions.

Jesus will not come down until the latter rain has had its full effect. And among the prominent events of the latter rain, is the decoration of His Bride (the Church) with divine providence. We shall be swimming in unusual affluence, enjoying the abundance of the sea, and living under divine conversion of fortune!

From one telephone call, a Christian businessman can just hit a contract of about 20 million naira!

You need an understanding of the times, so that you don't become a victim of life. The times we are in, in heaven's agenda is a season of divine decoration of the Bride. This

is why God is determined to decorate your destiny (Isaiah 61:1-11). Look at verses 5 to 7:

And strangers shall stand  
and feed your flocks, and  
the sons of the alien shall  
be your plowmen and your  
vinedressers.

But ye shall be named the  
Priests of the LORD: men  
shall call you the  
Ministers of our God: ye  
shall eat the riches of the  
Gentiles, and in their glory  
shall ye boast yourselves.

For your shame ye shall

have double; and for  
confusion they shall  
rejoice in their portion:  
therefore in their land they  
shall possess the double:  
everlasting joy shall be  
unto them.

God says He will give you the riches  
of the Gentiles! There's coming such  
a divine conversion of wealth that  
will be monitored supernaturally by  
heaven.

As a latter day saint, supernatural  
prosperity is your heritage, and  
anyone who gets angry with your  
fortune, vengeance will catch up  
with him (Isaiah 61:2).

Supernatural prosperity is your heritage. I see all financial stress and material burdens come to an end in your life.

No more will poverty be identified with you.

# Chapter 7

## MASTER OVER SICKNESS

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

3 John 2

Your health is an important part of God's redemptive plan for you. God

wants you to be well. He is not only concerned about your spirit and your soul, but also your body. This is why the Bible says in Isaiah 53:5 that,

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Abundance without health equals lack; because whatever wealth you are able to amass is eventually eaten up by sickness.

Every born again child of God has a

covenant of divine health with the Father. He couldn't have said, "I am the Lord that healeth thee," if He hadn't made adequate provisions for your health (Exodus 15:26). There's a place where you stand in God and never get sick again. It is the realm where the divine nature in you is so stirred up that you become immune to sickness and disease.

Disease kills people. But that's not for a born again child of God – you can't just be killed anyhow!

If you are born again, it's time for you to be delivered from every threat of sickness and disease.

May I say this: It is not a sin to use medication, but you have to be sick to need it, don't you? What I am talking about, is the reality of a sickness-free life.

Just as Egypt held God's people (Israel) in bondage for over 400 years, there are many believers who have been tied down by sickness for many years! They have been "serving" hospitals, worshipping the devil by spending all their money on sickness. Many even go to the extent of borrowing to "serve" sickness. This is not God's will for you. We saw that in 3 John 2, He said,

Beloved, I wish above all

things that thou mayest  
prosper and be in health,  
even as thy soul  
prospereth.

If you are born again, health and vitality, strength and vigour are your portion. Sickness, pain and suffering are not God's will for you.

When you give your life to Jesus Christ, you become a partaker of the blessings of Abraham. Jesus hung on a tree, so that these blessings could become ours, and replace the curses hanging over our heads before.

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:

That the blessing of  
Abraham might come on  
the Gentiles through Jesus  
Christ; that we might  
receive the promise of the  
Spirit through faith.

Galatians 3:13-14

Once you are born again, you  
become a spiritual Israelite  
(Galatians 4:28). Consequently,  
whatever blessings that pertain to  
Israel become yours. Divine health

is your heritage in God, and it is your birthright. Talking about Israel's 40 years journey in the wilderness, the Bible records that none among their tribes was feeble, their legs were not swollen, and their clothes did not wax old (Deuteronomy 29:5). That's your heritage in God, as a spiritual Israelite.

He says, "I am the Lord that healeth thee." That's your heritage in God and your birthright in Christ. Who paid the price? Jesus did! The same day you were delivered from sin, your body too was delivered from torture and torment. It's affirmed in

Psalm 103:3: “Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, who healeth all thy diseases.”

Your rescue is total! One woman came to Jesus on behalf of her daughter, desiring healing for her. Jesus said to her, “You don’t give children’s food to dogs. Let the children first be filled” (Mark 7:27, paraphrased). If you are a child of God, you are in God’s priority list for complete health. Until you are healthy, no sinner in this world is permitted to walk the streets sickness-free!

That woman answered back, “Yes Lord, but the dogs too can eat out of

the crumbs that fall from the table”. Everytime you see a sinner healed, it’s a crumb from the table! You are the one that has a guarantee to be healed, because you are a child of the Kingdom. God is not only interested in the salvation of your soul, He is also the Saviour of your body (3 John 2). So whatever is destroying your body, God is out to destroy it.

If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

# **YOU ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE SICK**

And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.

There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren,

in thy land: the number of  
thy days I will fulfil.

Exodus 23:25-26

I have been bouncing about like a stone since 1969. I'm just living, praise God! And the way I see God taking me on, at the age of 150 I won't have any problem with my health. When I see the sick, compassion grips me, because you don't have to be sick! Adequate provision has been made for you to be healthy and strong.

Lester Sumrall once testified, saying, "I am 83 years old, and I use no medicine of any kind; and I'm

perfectly healthy.”

There was a man of God called Smith Wigglesworth. In his days he took communion daily. He went to be with the Lord at 87 years of age. No trace of sickness or disease was found in him at his death!

Jacob was 130 years old when he said, “I have heard that my son Joseph is still alive, I will go and see him” (Genesis 45:28). At 147 years, he gathered all his sons together (12 of them), and profoundly pronounced blessings on them, without any trace of mental deficiency. He said, “Reuben, my first born...” So at 147, he still could

identify his first born from his last born. He said, “Thou art my first born, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of power...” (Genesis 49:3). He still had correct and accurate adjectives!

Now, the Bible says that the last enemy that will be destroyed is death. And we are the last days saints! We are going to molest death! The Bible says that Jacob “gathered up his feet into the bed” by himself, not that anyone gathered them for him, this at age 147! The Bible started calling Jacob old at 120 years.

See also Abraham at 75 years, God still considered him a young man enough to have a son! The Bible says our young men shall see visions. At 99 years Abraham was still seeing visions! Friends, it's time to set yourself for a life that has scriptural meaning.

In Exodus 15:26, God said:

...If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases

upon thee, which I have  
brought upon the  
Egyptians: for I am the  
Lord that healeth thee.

That means that you are not  
permitted to see what the world is  
seeing, to suffer what they are  
suffering, or to be held down by  
what is holding them down.

If Jesus cannot prove Himself in  
your life, you have not found Him!  
Kenneth Hagin, telling his own story  
also, said, “For the past 61 years, I  
don’t know how headache feels.”  
Tell me then, how can young folks of  
20, 25, 40, 50, be swallowing pills

night and day, injections here and there, as though their name were “Disease”?

He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes.

Psalm 105:37

Diseases are only meant to be found in the land of Egypt, not in Canaan. You are meant to be different from everybody else. Your youth must be renewed like the eagle's! (Psalm 103:1-5). Diseases and plagues of different nature are not meant to affect you, by reason of what God

will satisfy your mouth with: “Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle’s”. That’s what Psalm 103:5 says.

Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?

Isaiah 53:1

When you believe His report, the arm of the Lord is stretched out in your direction, the finger of God reaches out to touch you. There’s a report that on the day Jesus died, He did not only pay the price for your sins, He also paid for your sickness.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Isaiah 53:5

This is the report at Calvary. As they were beating Him, the price for your divine health was being paid. So, you can't be enslaved again by sickness. It is possible to live your life absolutely free of disease and sickness. At the age of 100, you can still be looking like you are 40 years old. By covenant you are not

supposed to have anything to do with sickness and disease.

The hour has come for God to separate you from sickness forever! You are not permitted to go through what people in the world are going through.

That is God's promise in Exodus 15:26. Let's see it again:

If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will

put none of these diseases  
upon thee, which I have  
brought upon the  
Egyptians: for I am the  
Lord that healeth thee.

From now on, nothing that kills  
people will be able to survive on  
your inside!

The price has been paid! You don't  
pay for an item twice. No! The price  
for your liberty is fully paid, the  
devil cannot reclaim it. Your body is  
now to glorify God, not the devil.

For ye are bought with a  
price; therefore glorify  
God in your body, and in

your spirit, which are  
God's.

1 Corinthians 6:20

So, whatever is not glorifying God in  
your body is making a mockery of  
the price paid.

Jesus said in John 15:2:

Every branch in me that  
beareth not fruit he taketh  
away: and every branch  
that beareth fruit, he  
purgeth it, that it may bring  
forth more fruit.

No parasite will survive in your

body from now on! No arrow of the enemy will have any impact on your life anymore. The hour has come for you to see the end of all discomfort! Whatever sickness is hiding in your body, the power of God shall trace it out today. Be it in your blood, marrow, kidney, intestines, any part of your body where strangers are, the power of God will flush them out right now!

Your body must not be a hiding place for strangers. Only the Holy Ghost is permitted to dwell in your body, that's what 1 Corinthians 6:19 tells us. There is nothing holy about sickness. Therefore, God is chasing

every stranger out of your body right now, in Jesus name.

And hath put all things  
under his feet, and gave  
him to be the head over all  
things to the church,

Which is his body, the  
fulness of him that filleth  
all in all.

Ephesians 1:22-23

If you are in Christ, you are over all things. You need such superiority complex to put sickness where it belongs. For long, I have been shouting, "I cannot be sick!" Why?

Because I'm already raised up, far above sickness when Jesus came out of the grave. And I know He never went back there, and that all the saints that believe in Him came out of the grave with Him. I believe in Him, so I'm out of the grave, and I can't go back there! No, never!

You need that kind of superiority complex. No disease has enough power to make you sick! No sickness has enough power to tie you down in bed. You should not be tortured in your mind by the enemy. Wake up to the consciousness of your superiority over him!

# Chapter 8

## YOU HAVE SURPASSING INTELLIGENCE

For who hath known the  
mind of the Lord, that

he may instruct him? But  
we have the mind

of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:16

If you are born again, then wisdom is your heritage; and that's normal because like begets like. If your Father is the only wise God, you can't be the only dummy child. "Wisdom", the Bible says, "is justified of her children" (Matt. 11:19); and everything produces after its own kind.

For instance, every kid of a goat possesses goat sense. So also, every foal of a donkey possesses the sense of a donkey. Every child of a man possesses human sense. If you are a child of God, it is normal for you to possess the wisdom of God. So, you don't have an ordinary brain! You

are a special breed, a peculiar being, you should start seeing yourself in the light of this new status.

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

By virtue of your new birth, old things are passed away, behold all things have become new. So, you have a new brain, a new mentality, a new perspective.

You are a peculiar being, don't be

afraid to think exceptional thoughts. You are an heir of God and joint-heir with Jesus. God is still creating things today by you. By the hands of Jesus He made the world. John 1:3 says,

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

And as God has sent Jesus, so He (Jesus) has sent us. So, He wants to make many more things by you. You can't sit in one obscure corner and be waiting for things to happen, you have to make them happen. You are not an ordinary being.

It is the right of a child to inherit what his father has, so all things that the Father has are yours; including His wisdom.

The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

Proverbs 3:19

We read in Matthew 11:19:

The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of

publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children.

You can identify the children of God by the wisdom they display, which is evident in the results they obtain in any endeavour and the kind of respect they are commanding. The wisdom of their Father is distinguishing them, bringing them out among their peers.

When you gave your life to Christ, you were transplanted from a carnal world to a spiritual world; and now you are planted by the rivers of life (Psalm 1:1-3), so that you can begin to give expression to the fruits of life

– among which is wisdom.

By reason of your identification in redemption, God has programmed you for mental distinction. Wherever you are found – in your career, business, ministry – you shouldn't have any stress, because of the backing you have from heaven.

They said concerning Jesus in Mark 6:2,

From whence hath this man these things? and what wisdom is this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands?

The proof of wisdom is results. The strength of your results is commensurate with the strength of the wisdom you are operating with.

## **MENTAL DISTINCTION**

Now you are one with the Father (as we have seen), and one of the proofs of that identification is mental distinction. That is the pattern that Jesus set for us, so take advantage of it.

Therefore if any man be in

Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

All things have been affected by reason of your redemption – your spirit, soul and body. Your hitherto reprobate mind has become a new mind – life has been fired into it.

When you are born again, a vital force penetrates your mental faculty, the Spirit of God gives you a new way of thinking. This goes to affect your taste, the things you used to love before just drop off, because a

new life has penetrated your mental region.

Up to the moment you got born again, you had a dead mind, which the Bible calls “a reprobate mind” (Romans 1:28), programmed to do silly things—a corrupted mind that cannot deliver excellence.

But the spirit of wisdom and power was what penetrated your mental region when you gave your life to Christ:

But unto them who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power

of God, and the wisdom of  
God.

1 Corinthians 1:24

You are not an ordinary man anymore. That's why He called you a peculiar people, a royal priesthood (1 Peter 2:9). Now you have surpassing intelligence! You have access to mental dignity!

It is the spirit that  
quickeneth; the flesh  
profiteth nothing...

John 6:63

This quickening affects your entire

being. Salvation brings you into a class above the human level.

When you are saved, another mind is transplanted into you.

..But we have the mind of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:16

The mind of Christ is the epitome of soundness and excellence! Once you are saved, your mind is no longer in the natural realm. Spiritually, it has ascended into the divine realm, where you are seated with Christ. You now carry divinity in your mentality! This is a great asset! But

you need to know it is there.

Among the benefits loaded in redemption is an excellent mind. There is an invasion of divinity into your mental region, which gives you a superior mentality! You now have the capacity to operate in the class of God's wisdom.

And there shall come forth  
a rod out of the stem of  
Jesse, and a Branch shall  
grow out of his roots:

And the spirit of the Lord  
shall rest upon him, the  
spirit of wisdom and  
understanding, the spirit of

counsel and might, the  
spirit of knowledge and of  
the fear of the Lord;

And shall make him of  
quick understanding in the  
fear of the Lord: and he  
shall not judge after the  
sight of his eyes, neither  
reprove after the hearing  
of his ears:

Isaiah 11:1-3

This is a strange level, where you no longer judge by what you hear and what you see naturally.

Therefore, it is not just enough for

you to be saved, your salvation must be added to, in order for you to experience the things that accompany it.

There is a deposit inside you crying for expression. The mind you have now is the same one that created the world we live in, why must you die in your little corner?

Listen to me, our generation is going to witness explosive inventions that could be compared to original creations, and these will come from people who were no-people before, people who know how to stir up the gift of God inside them. You have a sound mind. It is the gift of God. It's

time to stir it up!

It is your time to reign. And “by wisdom kings reign and princes decree justice.”

Go for knowledge, and you will walk in wisdom.

Your mind came alive when you came in contact with Jesus. Now you have a responsibility to renew that mind through encounters with knowledge. It has to be updated. Romans 12:2 says:

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Your mind has to be constantly renewed for it to remain current in any system.

What a joy to know that we are all privileged to possess the mind of Christ, and when you start to walk in the covenant, your mind begins to blossom, and it becomes increasingly fertile, until the world begins to recognise you.

I see the veil on your mind torn, and the sunlight of God dawn upon it! I see curtains open and every closed destiny released!

Potentially, you carry inside of you divine explosives! To be a dull-head

is an abuse of redemption. When you are saved, your brain is not suspended, it's upgraded! Your being a dull-head makes you a misfit in the kingdom.

There is something inside you!

You don't have an ordinary mind, but a sound one; a mind after the order of the mind of Christ; you possess the creator's ability in your mind.

# Chapter 9

## **YOU HAVE DOMINION**

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

God dwells in the realm of eternity, so, He operates by eternal life. When you are born again, you are connected to that order of life. What you have now is no longer human life but eternal life – the God-kind of life.

There is no way human life will give birth to plant life. According to the order of creation, every seed brings forth after its own kind. If new birth therefore, means enlistment into the family of God and God is a spirit, then you now carry the life of God, which is called “eternal life”.

There is plant life, animal life, human life, demonic life and eternal

life. Eternal life is Zoe, the very God-kind of life. The God-class of life is what you now have, you no longer have human life.

Quite a number of people have not entered into this realm of life. Many are there, but do not know the worth of it.

Eternal life cannot accommodate sickness; it is not subject to failure; it does not sympathise with poverty. Rather, it celebrates liberty – “whosoever the son shall set free shall be free indeed” (John 8:36).

Eternal life is a celebration of liberty – liberty from demonic

bondage, Satanic harassments, and all the forces of the wicked.

You now carry eternal life in your system – a life that celebrates endless liberty, liberty that cannot be challenged by any form of opposition.

I cannot be sick, for instance, because I have eternal life that is immune to sickness and disease. That is the mystery of eternal life! It is a release of the God-kind of life into mortal bodies for distinction. It is to make you peculiar and set you up as an ensign among the people.

Jesus came to exemplify the validity

of eternal life. We are told in John 5:26,

For as the Father hath life  
in himself; so hath he  
given to the Son to have  
life in himself.

He never once took ill, nor was He ever mistakenly sick! He was never a victim of circumstances – He was more than a conqueror.

God is eternal, and He has given you eternal life. The eternal God who lives by His eternal life, has transmitted eternal life to you and I through the mystery of redemption. So, you can have the same order of

life that God operates with.

Every life produces after its kind, so God must produce after His kind. If we are truly sons of God therefore, we are exactly His kind. That means you are not an ordinary being.

What you received at new birth is the same eternal life-force that makes God, God.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6:23

Eternal life is a gift from God. It is released or imparted at the instance of your professing Jesus as the Lord of your life. It is not something you work hard to get. You don't need to struggle for it. You receive it at new birth, and it immediately translates you to a higher order of living.

Free as it is though, not many have been able to enter into its full benefits. There are people who have been born again for 20 years without any visible evidence of that life.

God's life is light (John 1:4), and just as light is reflective, so the life of God in you ought to reflect His light.

By the mystery of identification, what you carry now is eternal life. You have the life of God inside you as a gift from heaven (John 3:16). That life cannot be terminated by any ploy of hell. Rather, it is quite capable of swallowing up disease, failure, stagnation, frustration and even death.

This kind of life is also known as everlasting life. That is, life that lasts forever; life that can't be stopped; an unending life. That life is superior to human, animal, plant or satanic life.

The eternal life you carry on your

inside is real, not theoretical. It is the exact type that was in Jesus that made Him immune to sickness and disease. That same life guaranteed His rest even in adverse situations. In it was all He would ever require to live the abundant life. This same life is what you carry inside you. Once you become conscious of it, sickness cannot survive in your body. Even failure cannot come near where you are.

“Drunk” with this insight, John G. Lake performed some amazing feats. He was in South Africa when a plague broke out and thousands of people were dying. Lake challenged

the doctors to take some of the foam from the mouths of the victims and examine it, to be sure the germs were still alive. He then told them to put the foam on his hand, after which it was re-examined under a microscope. Behold, all the germs were discovered dead!

Truly, as the Bible says, whatsoever is born of God (a carrier of eternal life) overcomes all the hurdles of life (1 John 5:4). This truth will establish you as a celebrated miracle worker — a man licensed of God to displace the devil in any environment you step into. Not guessing, but too sure of who you are

in Christ and what God has done in you.

Ask yourself these questions: “Could Jesus be on earth now and be stranded? If He were married, would He be quarrelling and fighting with His spouse? If He were riding in a car would He be involved in an accident and be trapped under the vehicle, with some villagers helping to pull Him out of the wreck? Would He be sick and be on admission in a hospital somewhere, with a nurse injecting His body with a needle?”

If your answer to all these questions is no, then know that it is not God’s plan for you either. Jesus was an

epitome of eternal life, He was eternal life personified. So, look at Jesus, compare yourself with Him and see whether you measure up to God's expectations or not. If we have the life He has, we should have the proofs He had!

Remember that at the age of twelve, with eternal life at work in Him, the doctors of law were all amazed at the wisdom with which He spoke. His mind was sharp! He displayed mental soundness, such as was in Adam before the fall, because He was connected to the same source of life Adam was connected to.

That is why, it is an insult for a man with ordinary human life to beat a man with eternal life in any examination or interview! Being born again is a spiritual reality with earthly evidences!

## “YE ARE GODS”

I have said, Ye are gods;  
and all of you are children  
of the most High.

Psalm 82:6

Friend, it is God that is speaking here. Mark this: “all of you”!

This revelation is not just for the apostles, prophets and teachers, but for, “all of you.” This brings us all into the same class, as God.

If you are a child of God, then you are a kind of God.

“Ye Are gods!”

This is a fundamental, powerful truth that, if for any reason it enters your heart, it will make you unshakable, immovable, triumphant, buoyant and blossoming! It will become for you a foundation that cannot be shaken! I have never seen a man come in genuine contact with this truth and is still tossed about.

The enemy hates this. So he will do anything to frustrate you from standing on such a revelation. But may the God of heaven, the great provider, provide you with such enlightenment in your heart, that will give you all of what this truth contains.

I have said, YE ARE GODS; and all of you are children of the most High.

Psalms 82:6

This is the dominion scripture of the saints. Get it once and live by it forever. This scripture marked a turning point in my life. It came early

enough in my Christian life, that I didn't have to be cheated for long.

There is an anointing upon the revelation of this scripture that is going to establish you in permanent authority over Satan. If you understand the mystery of this Psalm 82:6, you will be in complete charge over the affairs of life!

“Ye are gods!”

This is the basis for the supernatural, that you are no longer human, you are superhuman, super, extra-natural. See yourself no more as an ordinary human being. The truth is that you are a son of God, so you are a god.

The kid of a goat is a goat. The son of a man is a man. The son of God therefore, can't be anything else but a god, because in the law of creation, everything produces after its kind. That does not exempt God.

“Ye are gods!”

Jesus re-echoed this statement in the New Testament, thus affirming its authenticity:

Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, YE ARE GODS?

John 10:34

If you grasp this truth, every devil will see you and clear off the way! This is the fundamental secret of all my victories in life.

Don't tell anybody "Bishop Oyedepo said I am a god." It is not me that said it. It is God, your Father. If you don't want to die as men or fall as the princes, accept the totality of this scripture that cannot be broken.

Others may call it blasphemy, but Jesus calls it "the scriptures". It is more profitable to believe the scriptures than all the gossips in the world.

If you don't want to fall like the

princes, if you don't want to fail or be defeated like men, accept your peculiarity and walk in it forever, and for as long as you live, refuse to accept anymore that you are an ordinary human being.

Detest this lie from henceforth, and in every sphere of your life - your business, your career, ministry, family, etc, accept the order of your divinity. Whatever is contained in God's divinity is yours to enjoy.

Let others experience whatsoever they like, your portion is only what the divinity of God carries: His peace, His joy, His wisdom, His life, His health, His strength, etc. In

your family for example, you can enjoy the peace of God that passeth all understanding.

Life can indeed be dynamic, when you operate in the understanding of this unusual realm of the supernatural. Ye are gods! This is a vital truth that reveals your divinity. It places you in the very class of God.

With this truth in you, every devil will bow to you. Whatever God can break through, you too will break through. Whatever God can handle, you can handle.

I got to my hometown one day and I

was told that one of my cousins had gone insane. For days he could not recognise anyone, not even his mother, nor would he speak to anyone.

But when I got into the room where he was, he rose up and greeted me! He didn't know his mother, nor anyone else, but when the son of God entered, he knew! I ordered him dressed-up and to be put in my car, let me see the devil in hell that has the guts to dare enter my car with him!

By the time we got to where we were going, he was fast-asleep! That was the end of the insanity! That

devil left him as soon as I entered the room he was in.

Light doesn't struggle with darkness! But as long as you are human, you are in darkness already.

I didn't need to lay hands on that boy or speak in tongues. All I did was just appear! And madness bowed out! That is what is called the manifestation of the sons of God.

You are worth several things. You are a terror to the devil in the world. Carry a consciousness of the authority that is in you. Use it to promote the kingdom of God here on earth. Be the one harassing the devil.

Walk in power and authority!

# **JUST IN THE FORM OF A MAN**

For Moses truly said unto  
the fathers, A prophet shall  
the Lord your God raise up  
unto you of your brethren,  
like unto me; him shall ye  
hear in all things  
whatsoever he shall say  
unto you.

Acts 3:22

When the Lord sent Moses to Pharaoh, He did not send him as a man.

Exodus 7:1 says:

And the Lord said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh...

Jesus came and was God unto the world. He came as God in the form of a man. Jesus said, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you" (John 20:21). If you connect these two scriptures above, you will understand that you are only in the form of a man, you are not made of human stuff. There is something

strange about your make-up!

The day you gave your life to Jesus, you received another life. You had human life before, now you have eternal life, which is the God-order of life. So, you now operate the God-order of life within the form of an ordinary structure.

Friend, another life has been infused and injected into you. It is eternal life, which is the very life of God! The Bible calls it “this treasure in earthen vessels” (2 Corinthians 4:7).

An understanding of the image of God in us, will translate us from the realm of human limitations, and put

us right where things will work for us as they would for God. If you don't have an understanding of the truth "Ye are gods", you will not be able to put situations on earth under control.

If you approach spiritual battles as a human being, you are bound to fail, because the flesh profiteth nothing. It is the spirit that quickeneth for by strength shall no man prevail.

Isaiah 59:19 says: "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him". Not a man's height, status or the strength of his natural muscles, but the Spirit of God on the

inside of him. This is the only way man can successfully put the enemy, Satan, where he belongs.

I have said, Ye are gods;  
and all of you are children  
of the most High.

Psalms 82:6

All of you that are the children of the Most High God are gods. And I mean all, not some, not a few. But because you don't know this, you are prone to die like men and fall like one of the princes.

You must know that by virtue of your new birth, you are no longer a mere

being, but a peculiar being in human form. Everybody is free to be plagued by diseases, not you. Everybody is free to be frustrated in their various endeavours except you. The nobles of the earth may have no place to put their seats, not you.

I have said, Ye are gods!

You must understand in depth how this revelation is to affect your daily lifestyle. Besides, you must put it into practice.

Ye are gods! Know it! Understand it! Walk in the reality of it! Work it out!

For your Pharaohs to submit to you,

you must walk in the consciousness of the truth that says, “Ye are gods.” For diseases to obey you, for sicknesses to bow to you, for poverty to give way to you, you must carry this consciousness about - that you are indeed a god in the form of a man.

From now on, every mountain will obey you. You were once natural but now you are divine, because the life that makes for divinity now flows in you. Right now, whatever mountain you confront with this truth will obey you.

Get ready! Stop struggling! Start walking in the light of this

revelation, and in no time at all, you will know that God who gives you dominion, backs it up with power.

You can dominate your circumstances! You can send sickness away from your house! You can send poverty away from your territory! You can have what you please, as long as it is covered by the covenant.

You shall no longer lose control, in Jesus name!

# Chapter 10

## SATAN IS UNDER YOUR FEET

*Pointing to the provisions  
we have for escape*

*from the wickedness that  
abounds in the*

*world, the Psalmist said,*

*If it had not been the  
LORD who was on our*

*side, now may Israel say;*

*If it had not been the  
LORD who was on our  
side, when men rose up  
against us:*

*Then they had swallowed  
us up quick, when their  
wrath was kindled against  
us:*

*Then the waters had  
overwhelmed us, the  
stream had gone over our  
soul:*

*Then the proud waters  
had gone over our soul.*

*Blessed be the LORD,  
who hath not given us as  
a prey to their teeth.*

*Our soul is escaped as a  
bird out of the snare of  
the fowlers: the snare is  
broken, and we are  
escaped.*

*Psalm 124:1-7*

*We are told that the dark  
places of the earth are  
full of the habitations of  
cruelty.*

*Have respect unto the  
covenant: for the dark*

*places of the earth are  
full of the habitations of  
cruelty.*

*Psalm 74:20*

1 John 5:19 says,

And we know that we are  
of God, and the whole  
world lieth in wickedness.

But Paul also brings out very clearly  
in Hebrews 2:3 the great escape that  
we have in Christ –

How shall we escape, if  
we neglect so great  
salvation; which at the

first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him.

Redemption is your great escape from the network of wickedness that covers the entire earth. The salvation of your soul is the great escape that God has provided for you through Jesus Christ. That's why I often say, "If you are not saved, you are not safe!"

That is the truth, because only "whatsoever that is born of God overcometh the world..." (1 John 5:4).

New birth is your divine enlistment into the world of victory in this wicked world. As long as you are still in your sin, you cannot partake of the glory of victory (Rom. 3:23). You are born to overcome if you are born again. But if you are not born again, then you are bound to suffer again!

Anyone who is born again must get angry with every trace of defeat, every emblem of affliction, because that's not your lot in Christ. You are born again to reign again; you are not born again to suffer again! Salvation is your great escape from the network of wickedness that covers

the entire planet earth.

If you can catch the power in the reality of your destiny in Christ, you will live in the perpetual confidence that you are born again to overcome.

# **NO LONGER IN THE DEVIL'S KINGDOM**

Who hath delivered us  
from the power of  
darkness, and hath  
translated us into the

kingdom of his dear Son:

Colossians 1:13

You are no longer in the devil's kingdom; so, his mandate has no more legal hold on your destiny. For instance, when you leave the shores of Nigeria and you arrive in the United

**NO MORE DUST!**

In Genesis 3:14, God said to the devil:

...Because thou hast done

this, thou art cursed above  
all cattle, and above every  
beast of the field; upon thy  
belly shalt thou go, and  
dust shalt thou eat all the  
days of thy life:

That's his portion – dust. But then in  
verses 17-19, God said to Adam:

...Because thou hast  
hearkened unto the voice  
of thy wife, and hast eaten  
of the tree, of which I  
commanded thee, saying,  
Thou shalt not eat of it:  
cursed is the ground for  
thy sake; in sorrow shalt  
thou eat of it all the days

of thy life;

Thorns also and thistles  
shall it bring forth to thee;  
and thou shalt eat the herb  
of the field;

In the sweat of thy face  
shalt thou eat bread, till  
thou return unto the  
ground; for out of it wast  
thou taken: for dust thou  
art, and unto dust shalt  
thou return.

Anyone who is not born again, is food for the devil, by virtue of sin. Satan is free to do with such a person whatever he pleases. Mrs.

Beatrice Momodu had such testimony of plagues and afflictions from the power of darkness, until an encounter with Jesus set her free. This is her testimony:

*“My grandmother and my maternal aunt initiated me into so many evil associations as a baby – they initiated me into Ogbanje spirit, marine spirit, spirit husband etc.*

*As a child, growing up was all struggles for me. In fact, nothing worked out for me. I went to so many places for*

*deliverance but the problem became worse. At a stage I gave up going for deliverance until some friends invited me to Winners' Chapel for an anointing service in July 1997.*

*In December 1997, after the Breakthrough Night, at the stadium, I miraculously met my husband.*

*I was also having problems with my academics but God made*

*it possible for me to graduate from the university, and also finish my NYSC without any problem.*

*In 1998, at the Victory Celebration, God gave me the fruit of the womb and, after all the problems I went through during the pregnancy, He still made it possible for me to deliver last year.*

*I also had hernia during the pregnancy but it miraculously disappeared after the delivery.*

*After the Winners' Covenant Family Day in which Family and generational curses were broken, the spirit husband that had been having affairs with me in the dream and also tormenting my marriage miraculously left me. Also, all the evil gang-ups that were tormenting me gave up. I no longer see myself in their midst in my dreams; all the covenants and curses tormenting my life are*

*now broken, and the snake that used to move about in my stomach has miraculously left me.*

*I used to be tormented by the spirit of fear, but this year, while reading *Overcoming The Forces of Wickedness* written by the Bishop, I came across a place where he talked about our covenant covering in Psalm 91. I held on to the Word of God, and now I have overcome the spirit of fear. Now I have power*

*over every force that comes near me in my dreams.*

*I am experiencing divine rest and peace, both in my marriage and every area of my life. I give God the glory.”*

Man came under Satan's feet at that point of God's verdict upon Adam. It was that day that Satan became “the god of this world” (2 Cor. 4:4). Man was reduced to dust, and he is now food for the devil “... and dust shalt thou eat”, God said to the devil. And to man He said, “... for dust thou art...” Satan began to do whatever

thing he pleases with mankind – until Jesus came and reversed the situation.

Until a man is saved therefore, he is the devil's food – anything he wants from the man anytime, he gets it.

For instance, for those who keep poultry, the food you give to your poultry birds is not a show of love, but purely a business strategy. The more you feed the bird, the fatter the chicken gets to be, waiting for the day you will slaughter it to eat.

It is too dangerous to remain dust now! Because the Bible tells us that the wicked are out to do more

wickedly (Dan. 12:10). It is dangerous not to look for the Saviour. 1 John 5:12 clearly states:

He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

Whosoever does not have the Son is nothing but ordinary dust!

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

Anyone who is not born again is doomed to perish, be afflicted, and humiliated by the wicked. The salvation of your soul is your escape from the network of wickedness that spans the entire planet earth. Look at Revelation 12:7-12:

*And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,*

*And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in*

*heaven.*

*And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.*

*And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused*

*them before our God day  
and night.*

*And they overcame him by  
the blood of the Lamb,  
and by the word of their  
testimony; and they loved  
not their lives unto the  
death.*

*Therefore rejoice, ye  
heavens, and ye that  
dwell in them. Woe to the  
inhabiters of the earth  
and of the sea! for the  
devil is come down unto  
you, having great wrath,  
because he knoweth that*

*he hath but a short time.*

The devil is very furious and violent, looking for any careless person who will not run to the Saviour, so he can humiliate, devastate and destroy such a person.

Jesus described the devil's three-fold mission of wickedness in John 10:10,

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

You are born to overcome! You have been translated from the kingdom of darkness; so no more weeping and gnashing of teeth for you. You have been accepted in the beloved, and His banner over you is love.

You cannot be touched. You have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb, you are no longer dust.

**YOU ARE  
COVERED!**

Have respect unto the  
covenant: for the dark

places of the earth are full  
of the habitations of  
cruelty.

## Psalm 74:20

This statement suggests that there is a covenant covering that shields you against the arrows of wickedness. So, you need an understanding of what that covenant covering is.

Every covenant you discover makes you an unbeatable fighter in battle, because God is a covenant keeper (Psalm 89:34, Jeremiah 33:20).

Let's take a look at seven powerful covenant coverings that we have.

They are built on seven terms which can be identified in Psalm 91.

# **YOU MUST BE IN THE SECRET PLACE**

He that dwelleth in the  
secret place of the most  
High shall abide under the  
shadow of the Almighty.

(Verse 1)

The secret place is the secured place, because Revelation 12:12

says,

Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

The secret place is the heavenly place, far above principalities and power. The salvation of your soul is what gives you access into the secret place for security. There is no security outside the secret place.

# KEEP TALKING YOUR SUPREMACY

I will say of the Lord, He  
is my refuge and my  
fortress: my God; in him  
will I trust.

Surely he shall deliver  
thee from the snare of the  
fowler, and from the  
noisome pestilence.

Verses 2-3

Your mouth is not just for eating and drinking. Above all, it is a weapon of war (Luke 21:15). Until you say, He cannot deliver. You have to keep talking your supremacy over the forces of wickedness. With a closed mouth, you die a victim (Psa. 81:10-14)!

You must be saying what is written and not what is happening. As you keep saying and trusting, “Surely he shall deliver thee.” Positive or negative, God is committed to whatever you say (Isa. 44:26), and angels act on what you say (Eccl. 5:6). They are your messengers, they take whatever you say as an

instruction, so they go ahead to carry it out.

Note that in the parable of the sower, “the seed is the Word of God,” and you are created in His image. So, every word you speak is a seed you are sowing, and “while the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest shall not cease” (Gen. 8:22); and Galatians 6:7 says what you sow is what you reap.

Talk victory and you can't be a victim of failure. Talk protection and you can't suffer destruction.

The reason why many have problems is because they keep saying, “I have

a problem...”. And you know, when you sow a seed, the fruit is usually more than the seed sown. God is not a joker, be careful over what you say! He said He is a multiplier of seeds sown.

# TRUST

He shall cover thee with  
his feathers, and under his  
wings shalt thou trust: his  
truth shall be thy shield  
and buckler.

(Verse 4)

Continue to trust in Him, for there is no shame to them that trust in Him.

What is trust? Trust implies total abandon, that means you forget yourself in the hands of someone else. That is “high tension” faith! The type the three Hebrew boys operated in Daniel 3! Total abandon!

Trust is a very vital term in the covenant covering we have in God. Psalm 125:1-2 says,

They that trust in the Lord  
shall be as mount Zion,  
which cannot be removed,  
but abideth for ever.

As the mountains are  
round about Jerusalem, so  
the Lord is round about his  
people from henceforth  
even for ever.

So, your trust is your security in the  
race. God will not allow the plans of  
the wicked to ever materialise in  
your life.

**“THOU SHALT  
NOT BE AFRAID”**

Thou shalt not be afraid  
for the terror by night; nor

for the arrow that flieth by  
day

## Verse 5

The reason the devil could cheaply gain access into Job's life was because of Job's fear. He was a perfect man, one that eschewed evil, but he was in fear!

It is fear that makes one a victim in spiritual battles. Every time you give in to fear, you become a victim. As long as you are not afraid, the arrows of the wicked will be falling on the right and on the left without coming near you (Psa. 91:6-8). Fear is a spirit, be free from it!

# ANGELIC COVERING

For he shall give his  
angels charge over thee, to  
keep thee in all thy ways.  
They shall bear thee up in  
their hands, lest thou dash  
thy foot against a stone.

Verses 11-12

If you are born again, the greater One is in you, the angels of the Lord encamp around you to deliver you (1 John 4:4; Psa. 34:7). That's angelic covering, and the Bible says they

excel in strength (Psa. 103:20).

# **SETTING YOUR LOVE UPON HIM**

Because he hath set his  
love upon me, therefore  
will I deliver him...

Verse 14

The fifth term in our covenant covering is setting your love upon Him. When you draw near to God, He will draw near to you. When you love Him, He will love you. The

more you love Him, the more He loves you. The more He loves you, the stronger the covering becomes.

David was a man after God's heart, and he could not be touched. When you are in love with God, you become an "untouchable" to demons. When you are in true love with God, you become unmolestable by the wicked forces.

**“HE HAS KNOWN  
MY NAME”**

This is the sixth term of

our covering.

... he hath known my name

## Verse 14

The name of Jesus is a strong tower, the righteous run into it and they are safe (Prov. 18:10). When you have a working knowledge of the name of Jesus, you enjoy His deliverance. There is power in that name. Any time the name is used in faith, the kingdom of darkness comes under threat.

So, it's not enough to be saved, you must also be armed with all the other covenant terms, in order to walk in

true liberty. Awake therefore, and put on strength. It is time to occupy your throne!

# **ALL THINGS ARE UNDER YOUR FEET!**

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

Ephesians 1:18-19

Where are the “heavenly places”? They are far above all principality and power and all the wickedness of occultism, witches and armed robbers. You are far above all power, might and dominion and names that are named, not only in this world but also in the world to come.

You are seated inside Christ (not just

with Him), but inside Him, and all things are under your feet.

These are not stories, but divine mysteries. You have been raised together with Christ and made to sit in heavenly places in Him. I pray you just grasp the reality of this truth. It's all you need to tell Satan to get lost!

From now on, the devil will no longer mean anything to you. Why? You are far above!

I can't imagine you doing something and it's not working because where you are seated forbids it. Jesus has put you somewhere called "far

above,” please don’t put yourself somewhere else. You are seated in Him, you are far above the ogboni cult, witches, wizards, familiar spirits and all.

If you will allow these words to gain access into your spirit, and you begin to respond to them, you will discover how wonderful it is to be alive.

It’s time to enforce your position in the spirit. Whatever has a name is under your feet. Anything that is disturbing your life right now is illegal and must be brought to book. Whatever it is that has a name – barrenness, failure, armed robbery,

cancer, AIDS, blindness, whatever – you are far above it. So, it's time to name and nail everything that has been troubling you. It is time to stop approaching issues in the flesh, begin to approach them in the spirit.

From now on, everyday of your life will be a plus, as you begin to approach life's issues in the spirit.

# Chapter 11

## WHAT ARE YOU GIVING?

Life is not having fun, life is no game, life is business! Your level of investment will determine your level of ultimate attainment in life. This is a fact of natural life, and also in the kingdom. Jesus said,

Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground

and die, it abideth alone:  
but if it die, it bringeth  
forth much fruit.

John 12:24

That is, “If any man is serving me, let him be as ‘deadly’ committed to me as the death on the cross. If any serves me like that, My Father will honour him.”

Dedicated service is your winning ticket any day, if you are born again.

Faith is essentially a channel of divine rewards. It delivers to you your covenant rights, and your covenant rights demand your

personal input before God can be committed.

I remember when I was in school and some of my school mates would say, “Brother David, you know we are students” (They were concerned about how much time I spend doing the things of God).

I smiled, and I said to them, “The difference between us is that I am a full-time Christian and a part-time student.”

That is how to enjoy the fullness of God, you have to be a full-time Christian and a part-time whatever – businessman, engineer, soldier, etc.

– just living your life out for the expansion of the kingdom of God!

# **SPIRITUAL STEWARDSHIP**

If you engage in spiritual stewardship, with the understanding that it attracts rewards, there's going to be dramatic and revolutionary changes in your life.

Exodus 23:25-26 says,

And ye shall serve the  
LORD your God, and he

shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.

There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil.

When you serve God, these are the things that follow you.

Your level of spiritual investment in the cause of God's kingdom, will also determine your ultimate attainment in life.

Destiny is all about investment. Only

those who accept responsibilities earn dignity.

In Luke 19:13, Jesus said, “Occupy till I come.” That is, “Do business with what I have given you till I come” (NIV).

Christianity is a faith walk (2 Cor. 5:7) and the winning faith is the serving faith. Faith does not answer to claims, it answers to your inputs that heaven is responding to –

But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of

them that diligently seek  
him.

Hebrews 11:6

## **TWO KINDS OF SERVICE**

There are two kinds of service recognised in God's kingdom. They are: spiritual service and physical service – service of the altar and service of the table.

Both services are clearly defined in Acts 6:2-4,

Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and SERVE TABLES.

Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.

But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.

The two are essential, because if there is failure at the table, there will be failure at the altar. Both also attract rewards and are open to all.

Traffic control (by the Security Unit), Crowd Control, Decoration, etc. are all part of table service. The Bible says it profits little relatively, while spiritual service (altar service) is profitable unto all things

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But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness.

For bodily exercise

profiteth little: but  
godliness is profitable  
unto all things, having  
promise of the life that  
now is, and of that which  
is to come.

1 Timothy 4:7-8

# **SERVING GOD IN PRAYERS...**

Think of the prayer ministry for  
instance especially kingdom-  
oriented intercessory ministry. Let's  
see Matthew 6:5-6,

And when thou prayest,  
thou shalt not be as the  
hypocrites are: for they  
love to pray standing in the  
synagogues and in the  
corners of the streets, that  
they may be seen of men.  
Verily I say unto you, They  
have their reward.

But thou, when thou  
prayest, enter into thy  
closet, and when thou hast  
shut thy door, pray to thy  
Father which is in secret;  
and thy Father which seeth  
in secret shall reward thee  
openly.

The prayer ministry attracts open rewards. That is, physical, tangible rewards. You don't have to be called to it, it is an open ministry for everyone that is born again who finds a spiritual opportunity on the prayer altar. Prayer therefore, is a service avenue for you.

In Luke 2:37, there was a woman named Anna. She was a prophetess who lived only seven years with her husband before he died.

She was a widow, of great age (82 years); she used the remaining years of her life after her husband died to serve God in prayers and fastings.

So, you can serve God in prayers and fastings for the kingdom and to service the needs of men. In Psalm 122:6-7, the Bible says,

Pray for the peace of  
Jerusalem: they shall  
prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls,  
and prosperity within thy  
palaces.

You pray for the nation, for the kingdom. All those who engage in such spiritual service “shall prosper.” That’s the promise.

Prayer is a kingdom service that

attracts divine rewards.

In Isaiah 62:6 God said,

I have set watchmen upon  
thy walls, O Jerusalem,  
which shall never hold  
their peace day nor night:  
ye that make mention of the  
LORD, keep not silence.

You pray for the church to grow, for people to be lifted, etc. Everyone that stands on the watch tower shall be rewarded.

Behold, the LORD hath  
proclaimed unto the end of  
the world, Say ye to the

daughter of Zion, Behold,  
thy salvation cometh;  
behold, his reward is with  
him, and his work before  
him.

## Verse 11

Prayer is a service avenue that attracts rewards. Stop praying for bread and butter day and night, start praying, for the prosperity of His kingdom and His people.

# **SPREADING THE GOSPEL**

Another service avenue in the kingdom is spreading the gospel. Everyone baptised in the Holy Ghost is an ordained witness.

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.

Acts 1:8

The baptism of the Holy Ghost is your ordination as a witness for Christ. Paul said in 1 Corinthians

9:16-17,

For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!

For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward: but if against my will, a dispensation of the gospel is committed unto me.

When you become a willing witness, you naturally attract divine rewards. Wisdom therefore demands that you be an excited witness, sharing the

gospel of Jesus; and opportunities for witnessing abound everywhere. Jesus said in John 4:35-37,

Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.

And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth.

Take advantage of such an opportunity, because it is your opportunity for your destiny to be enhanced.

So, we have the prayer and the witnessing service avenues. These are rewards-attracting avenues for service in God's kingdom.

**ADVERTISING  
JESUS**

We see another avenue for service in Luke 14. The king made a great supper and invited people to come. But everyone began to make excuses. And he told his servant, “Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled” (Verse 23).

And the servants “went forth.” Their job was to tell the people, “Come over, what you need is here.” That is advertising Jesus. I called them the reapers.

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every

kind:

Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

Matthew 13:47-48

So, they are the drag nets of the kingdom – kingdom “inviters”. They don’t preach, they just say, “Come!” They constitute the “Come-and-See company.”

In John 4:29, after her encounter with Jesus, the Samaritan woman at the well went everywhere

announcing, “Come and see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Messiah?”

And the whole city followed her to Jesus!

“He that reapeth receiveth wages”, we are told. That woman was called a reaper. Today, we are still talking about her.

Your level of spiritual investment determines your level of attainment in life. Don't let opportunities pass you by. Keep bringing people into Zion, and for anyone that stays, you have a reward.

The moment you begin to co-operate with God in the expansion of His kingdom, He will become committed to the expression of your destiny.

And he that reapeth  
receiveth wages, and  
gathereth fruit unto life  
eternal...

John 4:36

And we read in Matthew 6:33,

But seek ye first the  
kingdom of God, and his  
righteousness; and all  
these things shall be added  
unto you.

It is spiritual stewardship to seek first the kingdom of God. It is one thing to be born again, it is another thing to be committed to the kingdom of God. If you are not spiritually committed to God's kingdom, you don't have a future in this kingdom. If you can't preach, at least you can pray, or you can invite people to church to come and hear the preaching.

So, there is no excuse. Not to be committed to the kingdom is to throw your destiny into the pit!

May you take a quality decision today to give God your best in the service of His kingdom.



# Chapter 12

## RIDE ON IN MAJESTY!

Gird thy sword upon thy  
thigh, O most

mighty, with thy glory and  
thy majesty.

And in thy majesty ride  
prosperously because of  
truth and meekness and  
righteousness; and thy right

hand shall teach thee  
terrible things.

Psalm 45:3-4

Thus far, you have seen that eternal life has been poured into your once dead spirit – you are born again!

By virtue of your new birth, you are peculiar. Not only that, you are seated with God in heavenly places – far above all the troubles that men go through; far above principalities and power, rulers of darkness of this world, and wicked spirits in high places.

Again, you are no longer a human

being, but a spirit walking in the likeness of man. You are seated on a superior throne, and this is what should make you to talk and think different from the way ordinary men think and talk.

Now, you are not meant to be afflicted, you are meant to rule in the midst of your enemies. No oppressor has any access to your person anymore.

Moreover, you now know you are a god in human flesh.

You are no longer an inhabitant of the earth, but an inhabitant of heavenly places. An understanding

of this position you have, will help to enhance your triumph.

Because you are a new creature in Christ, we can safely conclude that Satan has no right to be anywhere around you. In your heavenly citizen status therefore, you should be able to display “the riches of his glory” in the face of the devil, instead of suffering as those in earthly places. The fact that you are redeemed guarantees you absolute liberty from all forms of oppression of the devil.

For instance, sickness is not your portion in God. So, if you sense an attack of sickness coming, react against it, based on the light of

God's Word that you have contacted. Don't nurse the sickness or accept it; just fight it off, and enjoy liberty.

Now, it is one thing to have something and it is another thing to know that you have it. Now you know what you have in Christ, they are the things that accompany salvation.

There is nothing that life demands that you can't find in Christ. You are complete in Him. Everything that makes for a complete personality is in you, now that you are in Christ.

It is however, the will of God that His nature find practical and striking

expression through you. You are to be a reflection of the Vine of which you are a branch.

Jesus said the works that He did you will do also, and greater works yet.

Start thinking beyond where you are right now. Start thinking scriptures, make them your perspective.

Now you know the privileges of your connection with God, start making the most of it. Now you know your worth, start commanding strange results that will compel great respect from men everywhere.

Now you know your root, you are to

be unbeatable in the battles of life,  
commanding supernatural victory all  
the way.

Salvation brought Christ into you.  
Now He lives in you. And if Christ  
is in you, you are loaded with the  
power of God and the wisdom of  
God. All you need is to turn those  
two deposits loose; charge them, stir  
them up and use them!

There is power in the truths I have  
shared with you in this book,  
concerning redemption.

Now, begin to ride in majesty. That  
connotes walking in dominion. It  
also implies reigning in life. And it

can also be interpreted as living in the reality of the mysteries of royalty – enjoying affluence, having control, gaining command over all the affairs of life!

Ride on in majesty! You are born again to reign.

In the scripture that opened this chapter, we see a powerful prophecy about Christ.

Gird thy sword upon thy thigh, O most mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty.

And in thy majesty ride prosperously because of

truth and meekness and  
righteousness; and thy right  
hand shall teach thee  
terrible things.

Psalm 45:3-4

This is a prophecy concerning the  
royalty of Jesus Christ and the  
mystery behind His royalty. Let's  
look at those things, because they  
will also guarantee that you reign in  
life as a son of God.

## **INSIGHT**

Gird thy sword upon thy

thigh, O most mighty, with  
thy glory and thy majesty.

And in thy majesty ride  
prosperously because of  
truth and meekness and  
righteousness; and thy right  
hand shall teach thee  
terrible things.

Verses 3-4

The Word of God is the sword of the  
Spirit.

And then it says, "...and meekness,"  
which makes you teachable.

Again it says, "...and thy right hand

shall teach thee terrible things.” That is, “thy right hand will unfold to you deep things, and that will establish your throne forever.”

So, we see that it is insight that guarantees majesty.

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.

And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

Isaiah 60:1,3

Every high flier in the kingdom has attained to wherever he or she has found himself/herself, by reason of the light of life that he/she has encountered. You are born a king, it is your heritage to reign.

Jesus came and what was lost in the first Adam, the second Adam restored to us. So, we are back on the platform of dominion.

Every redeemed man or woman is now restored to dominion. It is your heritage to reign therefore. You are not supposed to be a victim of the circumstances of life. You have been sent to this earth as a commander of the affairs of life.

It's one thing to be born a king and it is another for you to ever taste the throne.

And hast made us unto our  
God kings and priests: and  
we shall reign on the earth.

Reveleation 5:10

The price has been paid for you to reign. The price for your royalty is fully paid, you don't have to live like a slave. It's time for you to ride on in majesty.

Royalty in Christ is rooted in insight – deep things. Nothing enhances

majesty like insight. Jesus was faced with the challenge of feeding 5,000 men, and the Bible says, “for he himself knew what he would do” (John 6: 6).

Nothing enhances your royalty like depth! Knowledge is power. You are born again to reign again, but your enthronement is going to be a function of insight.

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:32

Insight is the truth. There is no

question of life that does not have an answer in the Bible. It is the answer in the Book of life. It is your staff of office, the only guarantee for your enthronement. The degree of your commitment to it will determine the validity of your throne on the earth. So, it's time for you to sit up!

## **MATURITY**

For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are

become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat.

For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.

But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

Hebrews 5:12-14

This is a call to personal

responsibility – accepting personal responsibility for your destiny. You are born a king, yes. But it takes spiritual maturity to validate your throne. You are born a king, it is your heritage to reign, but it demands spiritual maturity of you, to gain command over the affairs of life.

Until you mature into sonship you are not entitled to a throne, to ride in majesty.

## **WISDOM TO REIGN**

By me kings reign, and  
princes decree justice.

By me princes rule, and  
nobles, even all the judges  
of the earth.

Proverbs 8:15-16

Your throne is inaccessible without  
wisdom. Kings reign by wisdom.

In Ecclesiastes 10, the Holy Ghost is  
saying that lack of wisdom has  
robbed many of their thrones.

The labour of the foolish  
wearieth every one of  
them, because he knoweth

not how to go to the city.

Woe to thee, O land, when  
thy king is a child, and thy  
princes eat in the morning!

Ecclesiastes 10:15-16

He says, “...but wisdom is profitable  
to direct” (Verse 10).

Lack of wisdom has made slaves out  
of many kings. They have broken the  
covenant of wisdom, which is  
supposed to be their guarantee to the  
throne.

If the iron be blunt, and he  
do not whet the edge, then

must he put to more  
strength: but wisdom is  
profitable to direct.

Surely the serpent will  
bite without enchantment;  
and a babbler is no better.

Ecclesiastes 10:10-11

That means that what you are going  
through is not traceable to any  
enchantment, it is lack of  
understanding, lack of insight, lack  
of wisdom.

You will not miss your throne on this  
earth!

# THE BIBLE

And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

## Revelation 5:4-5

Every time the Book (the Bible) is opened in any particular area, weeping stops. Until the book is opened, weeping continues. It is the opening of the book that stops the tears of men. Every time the book is closed, weeping continues.

But when you sit down with the book and find out what is written of you in that particular area, your weeping stops.

Whatever it is you are going through, there is something written of you concerning it. So, open the book. If you keep the book closed, your tears

won't stop.

Open the book, sit down with it, study, search, and by reason of use, you exercise your senses to locate what will stop your tears, what you must do, so that you can live a life that is colourful and enviable.

Jesus said,

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

## Matthew 11:28-29

Until you arrange to sit to learn from the book, the struggle continues.

Every majestic ride in life is a function of insight into the truth. Every command you gain, is a result of the commandments of the Lord that you have discovered from the book.

It is up to you to get used to the book on areas where you are being tormented, to say, “Enough is enough!”

The book (the Bible) is the master key to your throne. It is your staff of

office, your sceptre for enthronement. You must therefore, know what to do with it, if you must get anywhere in life.

As a Christian, this is for you the Answer Book, it is where everything is written.

## **IT'S YOUR TURN**

If Jesus rode in majesty, it's your turn to ride in majesty. You are born a king, it is your heritage to reign in life. From this day, every yoke of slavery is broken from off your neck!

It is your turn to reign!

As a child of God, you are a man or woman to be envied, not to be pitied. So, get up and stop being sorry for yourself! Nothing is against you, stop being against yourself.

Henceforth, men will praise God as they see you winning. You have been called out of darkness into His marvellous light, men will marvel as they see you winning from now on! They will marvel as they see you triumphing!

*And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and*

*man.*

*Luke 2:52*

Jesus was born a child like every other child in His time. He underwent the various growth stages. And as soon as the voice from the clouds declared His sonship on the mount of transfiguration (Matthew 17:5), His status changed. He ascended His throne, vested with all the authority and power of heaven.

From then on, whatever He commanded came to be, He had been enthroned! Negative and positive forces alike were compelled to obey Him. He cast out devils with His

Word.

By the encounter with the truth of who you are in Christ in this book, this shall also be the report concerning you too, in the name of Jesus.

By the understanding you have contacted in this book, I see you translated from the realm of human limitations, and planted right where things will always work for you as they would for God!

I see you begin to put situations on earth under control from today!

Now you know the truth, receive

grace to understand it, and to walk in the reality of it!

The knowledge of the Holy God, and the consciousness of His nature flowing in your veins, is your staff of office in life, it's all you need to stay in control.

Get out of religion and awaken your spiritual consciousness to the things you have learnt from this book.

We have been called to exhibit the transformed life on this earth. It's time to show the devil that Jesus is still alive, in us.

Now you have discovered your

roots, go and live well!

In Jesus name. Amen.