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FRIDAY 1

## SEE AND LIVE FROM YOUR HEART



***For with the heart man believeth...  
(Romans 10:10)***

**B**eing born again, you received the life and nature of God into your heart, that is, your spirit. The eventual transformation and glory evident in your soul and body are the result of the impact and influence of the life and nature of God in your spirit. This is why God wants you to nurture and develop your spirit.

Your spirit is God's temple; His dwelling place: that's where the Kingdom of God is (Luke 17:20-21). No wonder we're counselled to guard our hearts with all diligence: ***"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life"*** (Proverbs 4:23). Everything you require for your life is in your heart. The house you'll live in is in your heart; the money you require is in your heart; the health of your body is in your heart! Life in its fullness is in your heart; therefore, learn to live from your heart.

When you live from your heart, that is, from the inside out, you wouldn't be bothered about the happenings outside; your experiences wouldn't determine your response to situations. The economy of the world or of the country where you live may be in shambles, but you're unmoved, because you've learnt how to enjoy your prosperity and turn it on from within you.

Learn to see from your heart. What you see with your heart is more real than what you see with your physical eyes. 2 Corinthians 4:18 says, ***"While we look***

*not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.*" Seeing with your heart means envisioning and apprehending the realities of the Gospel and of our Kingdom-life with your spirit.

The more important things of life — the eternal things — are all in your heart; therefore, look inwards, and live from there. Isaiah 12:3 says, *"Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation"*; where are these wells? They're in the deep recesses of your heart!

## PRAYER

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Blessed Lord, in you I put my trust, living the higher life, which you preordained for me to live, following the light and guidance of your Spirit from within me. I'm making progress with giant strides, triumphing all the way, because you've set me on high, and established my path in glory, and prosperity, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Ecclesiastes 3:11; Proverbs 23:26; Luke 6:45

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 22:15-46 & Exodus 22-23

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 11:21-30 & Genesis 32



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SATURDAY 2

## PERSEVERE IN PRAYER



***And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint (Luke 18:1).***

**E**very Christian has a right to pray and expect answers; it's part of our heritage in Christ. Knowing this, prayer should be for you, moments of fellowship and expectation. 1 Corinthians 1:9 says, *"God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord."* We were called into communion and participation with the God-kind. This means you can talk to the Lord directly, and as a friend, and He'll hear and answer you.

No wonder Jesus emphasized in a parable, the need for men to pray always and persevere in prayer. God delights in answering your prayers. 1 Peter 3:12 says, *"For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers..."*

Through prayer, your spirit is stirred to respond to the Lord more quickly. 1 Corinthians 14:4 says, *"He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself..."* Moreover, when you pray in other tongues, you're speaking mysteries, divine secrets: *"For one who speaks in an [unknown] tongue speaks not to men but to God...in the [Holy] Spirit he utters secret truths {and} hidden things [not obvious to the understanding]"* (1 Corinthians 14:2 AMPC). You can bring forth divine secrets regarding your family, business, education, and all that concerns you, if you'd pray fervently in the spirit.

You might not know what steps to take in certain areas of life, but as you pray in other tongues, illumination comes. Someone says, "But I've been praying in tongues and still haven't received the direction or go-ahead for the things I want to do"; persevere! Keep praying, knowing you'll surely receive answers. The Bible says if the clouds be full of rain, they empty themselves upon the earth (Ecclesiastes 11:3). Keep filling the clouds with your heartfelt prayers.

James 5:16 (AMPC) tells us that as the righteous, our prayers must be heartfelt and persistent: *"...The earnest (heartfelt, continued) prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available [dynamic in its working]."* You've been made righteous, and have become the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus; therefore, your prayers make tremendous power available, dynamic in its working. Hallelujah!

## CONFESSION

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Dear Father, I rejoice at the glorious impact and changes that take place in, and for me as I pray. Even now, I'm suffused in the glory of your presence, as your love fills my heart, and thrills my soul. Hallelujah!

## FURTHER STUDY:

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1 Thessalonians 5:17; 1 John 5:14-15

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 23 & Exodus 24-25

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 12:1-9 & Genesis 33



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SUNDAY 3

## A SUPPLANTING OF THE OLD BY THE NEW



***...ye have put off the old man with his deeds; And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him (Colossians 3:9-10).***

In Christ, you have much more than mere religion. You received the life and nature of God when you received Christ into your heart. You were literally born anew; you were born of God. John 1:12-13 declares, *"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: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."*

You're a new creature in Christ Jesus. You have the resurrection life, because you were raised together with Christ to a new life altogether. Ephesians 2:4-6 says, *"But God...hath quickened us together with Christ...And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus."* When Jesus died, you died with Him. When He was buried, you were buried with Him. When God raised Him from the dead, you were raised together with Him.

You received a new life when He was raised from the dead. When He was raised from the dead, He was born again (Acts 13:33). He came up with a new life, the resurrection life. So, when the Bible says, *"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), it means there's been a supplanting of the old life by the resurrection life. You're not the old man and former nature that sinned. That former self is dead; he died in Christ. Your new nature is identified with Christ: *"Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life"* (Romans 6:4).

Your past with all the failures, weaknesses, and defeat were buried with Him. Now, you have a new life in Christ Jesus. Hallelujah!

## PRAYER

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Righteous Father, I thank you for the reality of the new life of righteousness, which I've received in Christ. The old nature with its decadence, weakness, and defeat has been completely supplanted by the new life of righteousness, victories, triumphs, and strength. I walk in the reality of this transcendent life, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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1 Corinthians 6:11; Ephesians 4:20-24

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

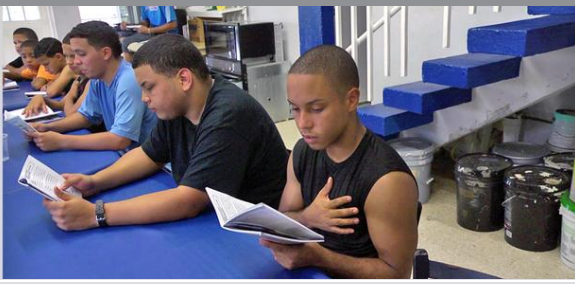
Matthew 24:1-35 & Exodus 26-27

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 12:10-21 & Genesis 34



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MONDAY 4

## EMBRACE THE PICTURE OF THE NEW YOU



***And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God (1 Corinthians 6:11).***

**D**id you know that as one who's born again, it's wrong for you to keep seeing yourself as "a sinner?" Many live with this mentality and it reveals why they're ineffective in their Christian walk. Now that you're born again, your life is new and divine; therefore, embrace the picture of the new you. You're the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus; as Jesus is, so are you in this world.

Have a greater consciousness of your new life in Christ. That life gives you power to live above sin. You may ask, "If this is true, why do I still do wrong things and think wrong thoughts?" It's because you haven't fully yielded and subjected yourself to the dominion of the Word, to live in, and by the Word.

It reminds of the account in 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, part of which we read as our theme verse. The Apostle Paul rebuked some of the Christians in Corinth because their way of life didn't reflect the new nature of righteousness they had received. Yet, he didn't call them "sinners." He writes, ***"Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor***



*drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God” (1 Corinthians 6:9-11).*

Notice he didn’t say, “And such are some of you...”; rather, he says, “...and such were some of you,” because now that you’re in Christ, you’ve been cleansed of all unrighteousness. You’ve been washed; separated from sin unto God, and declared righteous, in the Name of the Lord, and by the Spirit of our God!

Recognise your new identity; see the picture of the new you and live accordingly. Study and meditate on the Word; it shows your real glory; it reveals your true personality. You’re the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus!

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## CONFESSION

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I’m the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus; therefore, I live with boldness without any sense of fear, guilt or condemnation, being confident in the Lord who is my righteousness, and in His righteousness, justifies the ungodly. Hallelujah!

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## FURTHER STUDY:

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1 John 2:1-2; 1 John 3:9; 2 Corinthians 5:21

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 24:36-51 & Exodus 28

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 12:22-30 & Genesis 35



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TUESDAY 5

## STRONG AND TOUGH IN THE HOLY GHOST



***...none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God (Acts 20:24).***

**L**ike the Apostle Paul, it makes no difference the adversities we face; we stand strong and tough in the Holy Ghost! We affirm, "None of these things move me." Hallelujah!

Occasionally, your commitment to Christ and convictions about the Gospel will be tested; as someone who lives by God's Word, you'll surely be persecuted. But be of good cheer, because greater is He that's in you than all your adversaries and persecutors put together. They may come out against you one way, but they'll flee before you seven ways.

Never be bothered about the tests and trials that come your way; the Lord allows them because He knows the stuff you're made of. You're more than a conqueror (Romans 8:37); you always win. You reign and rule in union with Christ; nothing can put you down. The fiercer the challenges you face, the greater your victories and testimonies. That's why James, in his epistle, admonished, ***"My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations"*** (James 1:2).

The reason the Lord would ask you to rejoice when all hell seems to be breaking loose is that He knows you're a victor. No situation that you face has

the power to overwhelm you. 2 Corinthians 4:8-9 says, *"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed"* ; why? The answer is in the preceding verse 7; *"...we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."*

The power in you to always win, to consistently triumph, make progress, rise like an edifice—towering far above and beyond the adversities and persecutions that come your way, is of God! Therefore, never cower, give in or faint under any pressure whatsoever. Remain strong and tough, for you're born to reign, rule and win. Blessed be God!

## CONFESSION

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I'm born of God; therefore, I've overcome the world and its failing systems. Irrespective of raging opposition, I win; I triumph gloriously by the power of the Holy Ghost that's at work in me mightily. I'm more than a conqueror; convinced of my eternal victory over Satan, advancing in life from glory to glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Romans 8:36-39; James 1:2-4

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 25:1-30 & Exodus 29-30

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 12:31-38 & Genesis 36



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WEDNESDAY 6

## HIS AWE-INSPIRING LIGHT



***But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light (1 Peter 2:9).***

The Bible lets us know that God is “Light” and the “father of lights”; therefore, we’re children of Light, dwelling in the light. That’s what we read in the latter part of our opening text above; we’ve been brought into God’s marvellous light; that’s your location in the realm of the spirit; you live in His awe-inspiring light. Therefore, there’s no darkness about your life.

It readily brings to mind the words of Jesus in John 8:12; He said, “*...I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.*” We have, and must walk in the same light in which God dwells and functions. This means we’re to walk in His Word, for His Word is light (Psalm 119:105). Walking in His light means your mindset and perceptions are a result of the Word; you view and live your life only from the perspective of the Word!

God’s Word should be the only light by which, and with which you see. Under that light, you see only possibilities and victories; you see the glory of God; and because you see it, you talk and walk accordingly. When you agree with what the Word says about you,

and then affirm accordingly, you're walking in God's light. God gave you His Word to light up your path, so there wouldn't be darkness or uncertainties as you journey through life.

Colossians 1:12-13 says: *"Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son."* You've been brought out of darkness, and translated into the Kingdom of God's love-Son, where there's no darkness, sin, death, evil and corrupting influences of the world. You've been catapulted to the gracious and glorious liberty of the sons of God. See and live from that realm; it's the realm of victory, dominion, peace and joy evermore.

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## PRAYER

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Blessed be God! He brought me out of darkness, and the miry clay, and set my feet upon the Rock to stay; that Rock holds me firm and fortified against the pressures and adversities of life. I dwell in the light wherein there's no darkness or pain, but victory, dominion, and glory forever, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

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## FURTHER STUDY:

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Colossians 1:12-13; Proverbs 4:18; Isaiah 60:1-3

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 25:31-46 & Exodus 31

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 12:39-50 & Genesis 37



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THURSDAY 7

## TRANSFORMATION BY THE WORD



***And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind... (Romans 12:2).***

If you're going to experience unending victories, and progress in the divine walk, you must think, talk, and act in sync with God's Word. God's Word has the ability to produce in you and for you the message that it bears. When you think on the Word as our opening verse admonishes, ideas and pictures of success, endless possibilities and victory will flood your mind.

Remember, you're the character of your thoughts; so, when your thoughts are in sync with the provisions of the Gospel, your life will be a reflection of the same. The Word is God's power to transform your life. When you hear the Word, there must be a response from you, and it's that response that brings about the transformation. This transformation is something you can, and should experience frequently.

Every time you hear the Word, it's an opportunity for you to be transformed from glory to glory. 2 Corinthians 3:18 says, *"But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory..."* Your glory increases as you study and meditate on the Word, because the glory of God is in His Word. Your atmosphere becomes conditioned in your favour, as you speak in agreement with God.

Keep speaking the Word, irrespective of the challenges you might be facing, and before long, the

glory of the Word would be revealed in that situation. The glory of the Word is “excellent glory”; it repels darkness. Hallelujah! That’s the glory that’s revealed as you pray in the Spirit, speaking God’s Word. Sometimes, while you’re yet affirming the Word, you could literally relate with success, victory and dominion in your spirit. That’s because they’re inherent in your spirit, and by speaking the Word, you cause them to manifest.

If you’d let the Word, which is all-powerful, quick and sharper than any two-edged sword (Hebrews 4:12), gain the mastery in your life, you’ll live an extraordinary life. You’d be indomitable, triumphing over circumstances. Have a mindset of the Word; have the Word as your focus! That way, your whole life will be in sync with the perfect will of God for you.

## **PRAYER**

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I experience the glory of God in my ministry, health, job, family and finances, because the Word is my life, piloting me from glory to glory. My mind is renewed and inundated with thoughts of righteousness, progress, possibilities, victory, excellence, success, and abundance, in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

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Proverbs 23:7; Philippians 4:8; Hebrews 4:12 AMPC

### **1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:**

Matthew 26:1-30 & Exodus 32-33

### **2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:**

Matthew 13:1-9 & Genesis 38



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FRIDAY 8

## THE BLOTTING OUT OF OUR TRANSGRESSIONS



***In whom we have redemption through  
his blood, the forgiveness of sins,  
according to the riches of his grace  
(Ephesians 1:7).***

In many places where the word “forgiveness” is used, it should actually be translated “remission.” Remission means liberty, release, separation; it means letting the offence or offences go as though they never existed. Your error is treated as though it never happened; totally separated from you, and separated from your history. Can you imagine that?

Someone might wonder, “How can that be?” But that’s what we read in our opening verse; God did it according to the riches of His grace. That means God has the capacity to completely separate a man from his sins as though he never committed any sin, by virtue of the blood of Jesus Christ! That’s not forgiveness. Forgiveness is to pardon. In forgiveness, you’re released from punishment, even though the record remains that you were an offender.

Growing up as a young Christian, we were taught certain things that weren’t quite accurate. One of such teachings was that the sinner gets remission, while the Christian gets forgiveness. That is, when you’re born again, your sins are remitted, but afterwards, if you do anything wrong, you receive forgiveness.

But think about it: if the sinner gets remission and his sins are completely wiped out, never to be remembered, why is the Christian having his own sins

on record? The Christian shouldn't be getting something lesser than what the sinner got. What we have in Christ is remission of sins.

What then happens when you do something wrong? You're automatically cleansed by the Blood of Jesus: *"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin"* (1 John 1:7). Hallelujah!

## PRAYER

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Thank you blessed Father, for your loving-kindness. You provided for the remission of sins for your children. I pray, therefore, that Christians all around the world would come to this knowledge and refuse to be held bound by the accusations of the enemy, as they walk in your grace and in your righteousness, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Romans 4:6-8; Hebrews 8:10-12; Hebrews 10:16-18

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 26:31-56 & Exodus 34-35

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 13:10-23 & Genesis 39



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SATURDAY 9

## HE DOESN'T LEAD US THROUGH DREAMS



***For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God (Romans 8:14).***

In the New Testament, God doesn't lead us through dreams. The Bible doesn't say, "For as many as are led by dreams, they are the sons of God"; rather, it says, *"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God..."* You might want to ask, "How about Acts 2:17; doesn't it indicate that God still leads through dreams?" No; He doesn't.

When the Bible says in Acts 2:17, *"...in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh...and your old men shall dream dreams..."*; dreams were for sense knowledge generation of men. And if you ever had a dream, a real dream that's a message from the Lord, always, the focus would be on you; you'd be the theme of the dream; not someone else.

God never gave anybody any dream about anybody else. Job said, "God talks to men in a dream of the night to seal an instruction into them, to warn them from their destruction" (Read Job 33:15-18). That's in the Old Testament. It was about them; not about other people.

Some people believed some dreams that others had about them, and started looking for "deliverance"; that's absurd. If you're born again, God doesn't send you a warning through someone else's dream. Their dream is about them and not you. Don't fear their fears and dreams.

Since the Holy Spirit began His ministry with the church on the day of Pentecost in Acts chapter 2, none of the Apostles or anyone in the New Testament was ministered to in a dream. Today, as then, He guides you through the written Word, and through His light in your spirit; the inward witness. Howbeit, that inward voice or witness always bears record with the Word. He gives visions and diverse revelations, nonetheless, but not with other people's dreams about you. He said "*my sheep hear my voice...*" (John 10:27).

Therefore, don't base your life on dreams; if you dream a dream that's consistent with God's plan for you, claim it in Jesus' Name, otherwise throw it away and don't dwell on it. Live on the Word and God's provisions in Christ.

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## PRAYER

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Dear Father, thank you for the gift of your Spirit who causes my life to go in the direction of your perfect will for me. I live in the Spirit; therefore, I also walk in the Spirit, yielding myself to you, to be directed and instructed in all of life's affairs, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

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## FURTHER STUDY:

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Job 33:15-18; Jeremiah 23:28 CEV

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 26:57-75 & Exodus 36-37

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 13:24-33 & Genesis 40



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SUNDAY 10

## PREACH HIS LOVE AND RIGHTEOUSNESS



***...Happy is he that condemneth not  
himself in that thing which he alloweth  
(Romans 14:22).***

Some people like it when a message of condemnation and judgement is preached. They prefer to hear more about sin and its judgement. But fear of judgement has never produced righteousness or the love of God. Gospel means good news, and that's what Jesus sent us to preach and teach. He said, *"...Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature"* (Mark 16:15).

It's not enough that you're preaching a message about Jesus Christ; the message must be about His liquid love, the remission of sin that He made possible, and His gift of righteousness to everyone who believes. Don't preach judgment or condemnation; preach His love and righteousness.

Some don't like it when we preach righteousness and the love of Christ to sinners. What they don't realise is that righteousness is actually a gift to the sinner, and not essentially to the Christian, because the Christian is born righteous. The sinner, upon hearing and believing the message of the Gospel, receives eternal life, which comes bundled with the gift of righteousness.

When we preach righteousness, people embrace righteousness, and once they do, they start living right. That's because righteousness is a nature; it's the nature of God that's imparted to the spirit of the one who's born again, granting him the ability to live right. Right living is a product of righteousness. No one can live

right, who isn't first made righteous; and only God gives righteousness; it's not something you obtain by your own good works.

This is why we preach the Gospel, for only through the Gospel is the righteousness of God unveiled. Paul said, *"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ...For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith..."* (Romans 1:16-17). Did you notice that?

So, if we don't preach the true Gospel, people will never understand righteousness, and that would defeat the purpose for which Christ came to the world. He came to make men sons of God; He came to make sinners righteous. He came to make us one with the Father, and have His life and nature of righteousness. Hallelujah!

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## CONFESSION

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Loving Father, thank you for your liquid love so lavishly poured out on all; the remission of sin made possible by the vicarious sacrifice of Jesus, and the resultant gift of righteousness to everyone who believes. Today, your righteousness is unveiled and embraced as many hear and receive the Gospel all around the world. Many are saved, healed, and delivered, and darkness is dispelled, to the glory and praise of your Name. Hallelujah!

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## FURTHER STUDY:

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Romans 6:13-14; 2 Corinthians 5:21

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 27:1-26 & Exodus 38-39

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 13:34-43 & Genesis 41



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MONDAY 11

## HOLY AND WITHOUT BLAME



***According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love (Ephesians 1:4).***

**H**ebrews 3:1 says, *“Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus.”* Did you notice that we’re called “holy brethren”? Only God can say that! Your neighbours, friends, family members, etc., may not consider you holy; but God says you are, and His verdict is what counts. Aren’t you glad about that?

You’re not holy or righteous because of your actions, but because you live in the presence of God, and have His nature of righteousness. He gave you His righteousness as a gift: *“...they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness...”* (Romans 5:17). Before God, you’re justified; there’s no record of sin or wrongdoing against your name. That’s the reason He says you’re without blame.

Sadly, some haven’t been able to put away self-blame. They’ve rendered their faith and life ineffective due to excessive self-recrimination; that’s wrong. Your conscience isn’t supposed to keep you in bondage of guilt and condemnation, because Jesus, the Son of God, died in your place. He paid the ultimate price for your sins. The Bible says in Acts 13:38-39, *“...by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of*



*Moses.”*

Do you know what it means to be justified? It means to be declared righteous; to be acquitted; the charges against you were dismissed because you never sinned. How is that possible? It's because Jesus took your place, and now you're in His place. So how does God see you now? He sees you holy, sanctified, and separated unto Him. Hallelujah.

Until and unless you realise that God has made you holy, you'll never live a holy life. You can only live the life that God has given you. A dog lives the dog life; humans live the human life, because they have the life of human beings. Likewise, because we have the life and nature of God, we're holy and can live holy. Blessed be God!

## PRAYER

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Dear Father, I thank you for presenting me faultless, perfect, holy, unblameable, and irreproveable before you in love! Thank you for the death, burial and glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ, by which I now stand forever justified in your presence, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Colossians 1:21-22 AMPC; Ephesians 2:8-9

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 27:27-44 & Exodus 40

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 13:44-52 & Genesis 42



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TUESDAY 12

## YOU'RE SEALED WITH THE HOLY GHOST



*In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise (Ephesians 1:13).*

Years ago, there were those who preached and taught that having been born again, you needed to be “sealed with the Holy Ghost.” Then they’d call people out in church, lay hands on them and say, “Be sealed in the Name of Jesus.” In their minds, they were “sealing” those Christians. One can’t but wonder where they got that from, because the Christian was already “sealed with the Holy Ghost” at the New Birth.

The underlined portion of our opening verse says, “...ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise.” When you received the Holy Ghost, you were sealed; it was done by the Holy Ghost; it’s not a special, or typical experience. What does it mean to be sealed, especially in the context of Scripture?

When a document is sealed, it means a mark or something is attached to it as a guarantee of authenticity and ownership. When you see the seal of the President on a document, for example, that means the document came from the President, and has the president’s authority. A seal also means that a particular transaction has been completed or consummated.

There’re three things that the sealing of the Holy

Ghost is for: ownership, security, and authenticity. Now that you're born again, and have been sealed with the Holy Ghost, Satan can't touch you, because the mark of God is on you. The hand of God is resting upon you. Psalm 91:7 says, *"A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee."* And the tenth verse says, *"There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling."* Why? It's because God's seal is on you! That seal — that mark — separates you from danger.

As a child of God, you're protected and preserved by the power of the Holy Spirit. His glory covers you. When you understand this, the devil will have no place in your life. Fear will have no place in you. If you're attacked by sickness, disease or infirmity, you'll command it to leave your body. You'll live every day with the confident assurance that no plan of the adversary can work against you, because the seal of God is on you. Praise God!

## CONFESSION

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I've got the seal of the Holy Ghost! I'm protected and preserved from harm, for as the mountains surround Jerusalem, even so am I immersed in the Lord's protection. His divine power has granted me all that I require for life and godliness, and no weapon fashioned against me can ever prosper, because I dwell in Christ. Blessed be God forever!

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Psalm 125:1-3; Psalm 91:1-10

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 27:45-66 & Leviticus 1-3

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 13:53-58 & Genesis 43



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WEDNESDAY 13

## PERFECTED IN RIGHTEOUSNESS



***And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry... (Ephesians 4:11-12).***

**O**ur righteousness is of God, therefore it's perfect. We didn't have to qualify by ourselves; Jesus Christ qualified us before the Father to become partakers of the divine nature; to become partakers of His righteousness. 2 Corinthians 5:21 says, *"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him."* How inspiring this is!

Some Christians haven't understood this; so, they see themselves as unrighteous and imperfect. But if you're born again, you're a saint, and that's your nature, because the One who gave birth to you is perfect. Hebrews 10:14 says, *"For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified."* Colossians 2:10 says, *"And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power."* The word "complete" means perfected; you're perfected in Him; Christ is your perfection.

You might want to ask, "Doesn't our opening scripture suggest that the saints are not perfect, because it talks about 'the perfecting of the saints?'" No, that verse doesn't mean making the saints better and more perfect; it's translated from the Greek word 'katartismos' which means equipping or training the saints for the

work of the ministry.

Think about this: When a child is born, that child is born as perfectly human as the parents are. The child then starts growing by feeding on the right nourishment. The child needs to be trained, and equipped with knowledge and the right information, to eventually function as adult humans do. That's what Apostle Paul meant by "perfecting of the saints."

As you receive the Word of God into your spirit, you're being equipped to function and carry out the work of the ministry; you're being trained in the life of righteousness. The righteousness of God is in your spirit, but through the Word, you become more skilled in the doctrine, understanding, and application of your righteousness in Christ.

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## CONFESSION

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I'm the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus, and in union with Him, I'm reigning in life. What blessedness, to be the expression of His righteousness and bear fruits of righteousness, to the glory of His Name! Blessed be God!

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## FURTHER STUDY:

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Isaiah 64:6; Ephesians 2:8; Hebrews 10:14

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 28 & Leviticus 4-5

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 14:1-10 & Genesis 44



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THURSDAY 14

## CHOSEN FOR BLESSINGS



*And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise (Galatians 3:29).*

**O**ur theme verse says if you belong to Christ, then you're Abraham's seed, and an heir according to the promise. This debunks the general assumption that everybody can't be successful. Although, in a sense, everybody can't be successful, but not amongst God's people, because we're heirs of God and joint-heirs with Christ; we're already successful and prosperous.

Peradventure you got into trouble, because you're the seed of Abraham, the blessing will bring you out of trouble; it'll locate solutions for you. If you have questions, it'll prompt the answers within you or direct you to where the answers are. Understand something about the blessing; it's the effect and result of God's divine presence in your life. The Bible says Joseph was a prosperous man, because God was with him (Genesis 39:2); for you, it's even better: He's in you!

Many of God's children need to come to the full knowledge of Christianity; they need to know what God has done for them and in them, in Christ Jesus. Ephesians 1:3 says, *"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ."* You've already been blessed with "ALL" spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. You already have everything you require for life and godliness: righteousness, health, prosperity, victory, success, joy,

peace and every blessing from God is yours in Christ.

Live every day with the consciousness that you're blessed; that you've been chosen and called into the life of blessing. Think blessings; talk blessings; walk in blessings.

## CONFESSION

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I declare that all things—divine health, prosperity, success, joy, peace, and victory are mine in Christ. I'm blessed and I live in superabundance, because I'm the seed of Abraham. Blessed Be God!

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Joshua 1:8; Galatians 3:27-29; 1 Peter 3:9

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 1:1-20 & Leviticus 6-7

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 14:11-21 & Genesis 45



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FRIDAY 15

## AUTOMATIC CLEANSING



*In whom, we have our redemption—the remission of sins, — (Colossians 1:14 EBR).*

**A**ren't you glad that in Christ, all our sins are remitted; past, present, and future? Imagine if someone says our future sins weren't taken care of by the blood of Jesus, when then is He going to fix them? When will they be remitted?

Also, assuming that a Christian committed a sin at his workplace, and said to himself, "This office isn't conducive for me to pray right now; I'm going to hurry up with work so I can get home to pray, and get reconciled with God." Imagine that while he's still at work, the trumpet for the rapture of the Church suddenly sounds; will he go to heaven or will he be left behind?

Now, maybe you're thinking, "That Christian is done for! He can't go to heaven." That means you really don't know the Lord. He's too passionate about your salvation to leave you behind because you made a mistake. He provided for the Christian what is called automatic cleansing! This is what the Word teaches.

Those who'll be left behind are those who haven't been walking in His light; those who didn't know Him and didn't love Him. The mere fact that you acknowledged you did something wrong, for which you thought to talk to Him, shows that His light is in your heart.

Now, read what the Word says in 1 John 1:7:

*“But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin .”* The underlined portion doesn’t say you’ll be cleansed after you pray to God for forgiveness; no! Neither does it say the blood of Jesus is going to cleanse you from sin; it’s not futuristic; it’s a continuous automatic process! His blood CLEANSSES you each time the need arises.

And guess what? This auto-remission of your sins is a legal matter before God. It’s no longer a matter of choice from God; it’s a legal justification for a Christian. Hallelujah!

This is why it’s so important that we know, understand, and walk daily in the light of God’s Word, not in human assumptions. Walk in the light of your righteousness, pleasing the Lord with your life, and you’ll not have to worry about sin, because your nature in Christ isn’t subject to sin.

## CONFESSION

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I live and walk in righteousness; Satan has nothing in me, because in Christ Jesus my Lord, I’ve been justified from all things from which I couldn’t be justified by the Law of Moses. I walk conscious of the Father’s nature in me. Hallelujah!

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Romans 4:6-8; Micah 7:18-19 AMPC

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 1:21-45 & Leviticus 8

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 14:22-33 & Genesis 46



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SATURDAY 16

## THE WORD MIXED WITH FAITH



***But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves (James 1:22).***

**F**aith is acting on the Word. God's Word is all-powerful—having the ability to produce in you what it talks about. Nonetheless, God's Word to you won't produce any result except you act on it; the Word mixed with faith is what produces results. What is faith? Put simply, it's the response of the human spirit to the Word of God.

Every time you hear God's Word, faith comes to you in the Word. And because that Word is more real in your spirit than all physical circumstances, it propels you to action. That was what Abraham did; he mixed the Word with faith; he acted on what he heard. In Genesis 17:5, the Lord had told him *"...a father of many nations have I made thee"*; but at this time, Abraham was still childless. Then the Bible says Abraham believed *"...God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were"* (Romans 4:17).

The ensuing verses 19-21 says, *"And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God..."* Could this be you? Could this be the description of your faith? It should, and must be. The Bible says for us to be *"...followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises"*

(Hebrews 6:12).

Thus, like Abraham, always create the right environment for the Word to produce results in your life. Mix the Word with faith. Refuse to consider physical circumstances. Refuse to stagger at the Word of God through unbelief. Yes, God's Word never fails, but the efficacy of God's Word in your life depends on your response to the Word. Therefore, take a stand on God's Word for yourself; be a doer of the Word, and your progress, victories, and success will not only be evident, but also consistent.

## CONFESSION

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At all times and in all seasons, irrespective of the circumstances or contrary situations, I choose the faith-way. I have the assurance on the basis of the Word that I'm who God says I am, I have what He says I have, and can do all He says I can do! My faith prevails, today and always. Hallelujah!

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Romans 10:17; Hebrews 11:6

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 2:1-22 & Leviticus 9-10

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 14:34-15:1-9 & Genesis 47

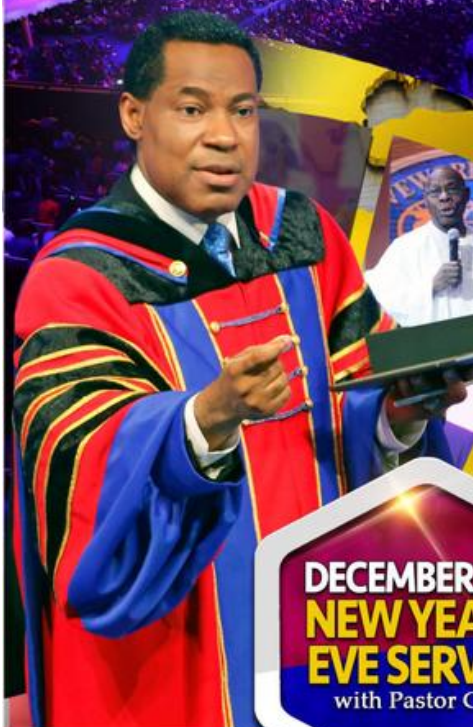


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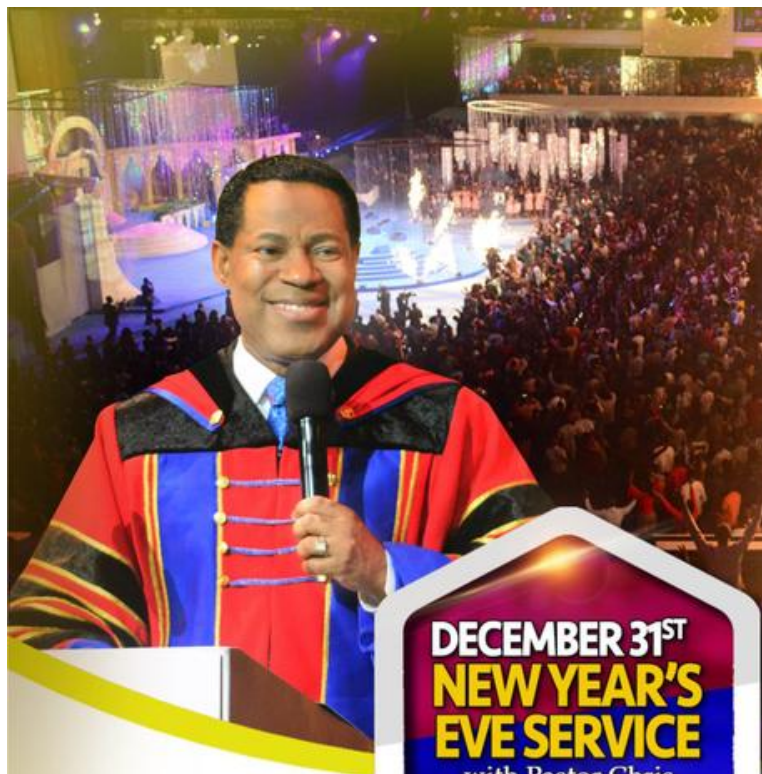


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**DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>**  
**NEW YEAR'S**  
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As the sun gradually set on 2018, and 2019 approached in the horizon, a prophetic Word came from the man of God, Pastor Chris, giving insight into what the coming year would be like: *"Our accomplishments in 2019 will make all we did in 2018 look like child's play!"* he said. In a year when God's children accomplished astounding feats for the Gospel, such as the phenomenal distribution of over 1.23 billion copies of Rhapsody of Realities around the world in 1004 languages, this meant they'd experience a greater manifestation of God's power and glory in 2019!

Bearing this in mind, millions around the world eagerly participated in the much-anticipated global New Year's Eve service with the man of God, knowing they'd receive direction and guidance from the Spirit of God for the year. The service, which was televised on



terrestrial, satellite, and internet stations was viewed by millions around the world in large stadia, churches, and many centres, and received on hundreds of radio stations.

### Celebrating Youth Leaders

A highpoint of the night was the 2018 Future Africa Leaders Award (FALA) segment where inspiring young people across Africa were recognized for their exemplary leadership contributions to Africa's development. Special guest at the ceremony which was also attended by Nigeria's Minister of Youths and Sports, Mr. Solomon Dalung, was the former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Gen. Olusegun Obasanjo, who also gave the FALA keynote address.

### - FALA -



The former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Gen. Olusegun Obasanjo



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In his address to the global audience, the former president identified 5 pillars of progress and growth for Africa, namely: Politics, Population, Protection, Prosperity, and Partnerships. He stated that these pillars will help to take Africa out of underdevelopment and build a continent that Africans can be proud of.

Ten FALA winners from different African countries were announced, of which, Isaiah Deng, a 20-year-old youth leader from South Sudan, won the Star Prize award announced by former President Obasanjo.

### Thanksgiving Segment

A special thanksgiving segment followed where the man of God, alongside senior pastors in the ministry, expressed gratitude to

God for all the victories in 2018. They gave special thanksgiving offerings to the Lord in a joyful atmosphere of praise and worship.

After the thanksgiving segment, the service proceedings continued until some minutes past 12am, when people began to congratulate one other, while huge fireworks exploded outside the arena; they had successfully crossed over into 2019 and their joy knew no bounds!





### 2019: The Year of Lights!

The hour came when the man of God shared with the global congregation the message for the new year. Reading copiously from the scriptures, he shared some inspired thoughts, after which he announced: *"This is 2019, the year of Lights!"*

### The Definition of Light

Before the announcement, he had explained, reading from **1 John 1:5**, that God is light. The Lord Jesus also declared Himself with audacity as the light of the world in **John 9:5**. Then, talking about us in **Matthew 5:14**, He said: *"Ye are the light of the world..."*

*"If God is light; Jesus is light, and you're light, what's light then?"* the man of God asked. He went on to answer the question by reading **Ephesians 5:13**, which defines light as that which makes manifest.

### 4 Important Things About Light

The man of God showed the congregants from the scriptures four important things about light:

**1.** Light is for illumination. Illumination produces clarity, refinement, innovation, and sound judgment (**John 1:9**).

**2.** Light gives leadership. The Bible says, *"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament..."* (**Daniel 12:3**). The word translated "shine" is from the Hebrew "zaḥar", which means to admonish, to warn, to teach, to inspire, and to send out light. All that is leadership.

**3.** Light gives empowerment. This is because light emits energy. Energy is the capacity to perform, meaning that light gives the capacity to perform (**Colossians 1:29**).

**4.** Light is for signs and seasons (**Genesis 1:14, Isaiah 8:18, Hebrews 2:13-14**). We're the light of the world, and we're for signs and wonders

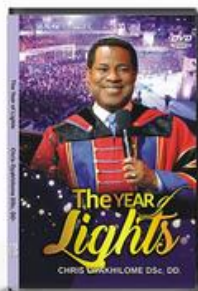


### We Bring A Season of Peace

The congregants rejoiced at the words of the man of God when he shed light on **Luke 10:5-6**, where the Lord Jesus said: *"And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house. And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again."* He explained that when we say, *"Peace be to this house,"* we're bringing to that house a season of peace. Whereas there had been trouble, crisis, and turmoil, when we declare peace, we usher in a new season of peace prosperity and healing.

### We'll Shine Ever So Brightly!

As God's people launched into 2019, armed with the Word for the year, the man of God prophetically declared: *"What is about to happen through the Church of Jesus Christ? The Bible tells us as the days get closer to the return of Jesus Christ, gross darkness (spiritual darkness) will cover the earth. In the midst of this, your light will so shine. The darker the darkness, the more brightly you shine!"*



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Being present at the 2018 International Pastors' and Partners' Conference was for many delegates, an experience beyond words. They came from all over the world: a holy convocation of passionate partners, lavishly celebrating the ministry's numerous achievements in the year of the Supernatural, while positioning themselves to receive increased grace to accomplish greater feats in 2019.

"There's so much to be grateful for at the IPPC!" declared one of the delegates. "Think about Rhapsody

of Realities: It took several years to distribute the first 1 billion copies of Rhapsody of Realities. But now, we've distributed another billion, and we did it only in one year—this 2018 alone. That's undeniably supernatural, and I can only imagine what will happen in 2019!"





### **A Conference Of Conferences**

The multi-campus IPPC 2018 was a potpourri of programs and activities that left an indelible mark on the hearts of all the delegates. These were: The International Teens' Pastors and Leaders' Conference, the International Media Connectors' Conference, the LoveWorld Exhibition, the LoveWorld Archives, the LoveWorld Awards, and the LoveWorld International, Music and Arts Awards.

### **Inspiring And Life- Transforming Sessions**

The weeklong conference kicked off with the Pastors' Conference, where thousands of delegates: pastors, deacons, and ministry leaders participated in the super sessions, and many

other inspiring activities that prepared them for the life-transforming Word-sessions with the man of God.

When the Partners' Conference kicked off a few days later, the man of God shared on the Power of Love in the Pursuit of Purpose, which was a part of a fuller message titled: "The Power And Pursuit Of Purpose."

### **We Have A Definite Purpose**

Talking about purpose, he explained that God never does anything without a purpose. His calling on our lives is for a reason. For instance, He chose us to be partners with Him before we were born. This wasn't





## The Power Of His Love

**2 Corinthians 5:14-15** says, "For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again." "The love of Christ" referred to in the verse isn't about Christ loving us; it's about our love for Christ. This love compels and motivates us; because He died for all, we should no longer live for ourselves. We have to live for Him and bring Him glory always because we owe Him our lives.

a random act; it was His deliberate plan. Bearing this in mind, we have to decide to be God's best at all times. Each one of us is irreplaceable because we're unique.

The man of God also stated: *"When God wins men, He builds them, and sends them to win others. This is our purpose; it's what He's called us to do. We're on the same cause, and there's no other reason for being on earth than to live for His glory."*

## The Proof Of Our Love

Highlighting the dialogue between the Lord Jesus and Peter after His resurrection in **John 21**, the man of God taught that two times, when Jesus asked Peter, "Do you love me?" he replied, "Lord, I like you." This shows that Jesus cares whether or not we love Him.

We ought always to prove our love to Him, not just by singing to Him or calling Him sweet names, but by doing His Word. He said in **John 14:23**, "...If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him."

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## An Exhibition Of Supernatural Attainments

The LoveWorld Exhibition 2018 was a hub for showcasing the multi-faceted feats and dynamism of various ministry arms and affiliates. Themed, "ACCELERATION, EXPANSION, DOMINATION", it gave visual representation to all the supernatural achievements chronicled by the exhibitors, thus inspiring and provoking greater passion in the hearts of the delegates to accomplish greater feats for the Gospel in 2019.



### Celebrating Partners At The LoveWorld Awards

During the prestigious LoveWorld Awards, several individuals and groups were recognized for their ardent commitment to Kingdom expansion in 2018. Some of the highest recognitions of the night were awarded to **Deacon Kingsley & Deaconess Ebierin Otuaro** of Christ Embassy Warri Ministry Center for being *Top Individual Partners in 2018*; **Pastor Biodun and Pastor Lisa Lawal** for being the *top partners in the Zonal Pastors and Directors' category*, the **LCA Church** for emerging *Top Partnering Individual Church* for the second year running, and **Christ Embassy Lagos Zone 5** for emerging the *Top Partnering Zone* for the 8th Consecutive Time.

### The 3rd Edition Of The LIMA Awards!

At the third edition of the LoveWorld International Music and Arts Awards, different individuals and groups who had touched countless lives around the world through divinely inspired music and arts were recognized. Gospel artiste, **CSO**, won the top award as the "Holy Spirit" track emerged Song of the Year!



### IPPC In Your Zone/City

The impact of IPPC 2018 resonated to other parts of the world, as different zones organized IPPC In Your City a few weeks after. Delegates received increased grace as they participated in power-packed sessions with the man of God and other senior ministry Pastors.



# HAVE YOU MET THE REAL YOU?



When you look into a mirror, what do you see? Do you only see a young successful business professional, an aging grandfather, or a sickly, wheelchair-bound girl? All those things, good or bad, don't describe who you really are. The natural mirror portrays earthly reflections, but God's mirror, His Word, is the perfect mirror that shows you who you really are and exactly how God sees you.

## **SO, WHO REALLY ARE YOU?**

Take a look into God's mirror, and read the words of Jesus in **John 17:22**: "*And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one.*" This is God holding up His mirror for you to see that you're a partaker of His glory!

The more you look into the mirror of God, the more you're changed to become what you see. So keep looking, because as you look, you're metamorphosed; your life becomes increasingly excellent. But if you take your eyes away, you'd live a confused life because you're looking at the wrong thing. The Bible says, "*But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed*" (James 1:25).

No matter the challenges, you face and the troubles that may come your way, stick to the Word. Always remember what the Word says about you: you're more than a conqueror; greater is He that's in you than he that's in the world. **THAT'S THE REAL YOU!**



SUNDAY 17

## LISTEN FOR HIS COUNSEL



***My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me (John 10:27).***

**M**any people are in a dilemma today because they ignore the Holy Spirit; they make important life decisions, inadvertently ignoring His counsel. If you would follow His counsel in all things, your life would be void of stress; much more excellent and full of glory.

Having the Holy Spirit live in you is the greatest blessing of all. He's your advantage and the secret to a glorious and successful life. Therefore, you must recognise and take advantage of His presence and guidance.

Christ has been made wisdom unto you, and so the Holy Spirit's voice is God's wisdom leading, instructing and guiding you. Don't just live and do things aimlessly; be led by Him. Romans 8:14 says, ***"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."***

Always listen for His counsel from within you; He speaks to us on life's issues through the Word. However, because His counsel and voice is never strong and harsh against us, many ignore Him, to their detriment.

Practise listening to Him. He always seeks to talk to you, and does talk to you actually, even more than you want to hear His voice. He already gave you the Scripture; the complete message of the Gospel. That's our instruction manual for life.

To hear Him, therefore, you have to become

more acquainted with Him, and be familiar with His voice, through study and meditation on the Word. Remember, He's the author of the Holy Scriptures. Also, you must learn to respond to Him the right way and promptly too!

## **PRAYER**

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Blessed Father, you're my Wonderful Counselor, and I rely on you for counsel that puts me over at all times. Your perfect will is unveiled to me as I walk in the light of your Word and fulfil my divine destiny, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

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Psalm 16:7; Isaiah 30:21

### **1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:**

Mark 2:23-3:1-12 & Leviticus 11-12

### **2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:**

Matthew 15:10-20 & Genesis 48





MONDAY 18

## SPEAKING WISDOM



***Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect...we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory (1 Corinthians 2:6-7).***

God expects you to constantly renew your mind with the Word, so you can think, talk, and live the higher life in Christ. In this higher life, we speak wisdom; and the wisdom of God is the Word of God.

For example, you may be feeling stressed or faint, yet you affirm, "I have the life of God in me!" The people of the world and the spiritually immature can't get in on this kind of talk; they don't understand the wisdom of God that we speak, because it's not in their plane.

Consider this: God said to Abraham, "***Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee***" (Genesis 17:5). The man knew those words were the wisdom of God for it was naturally impossible for him to have a child, being almost one hundred years old, with an equally old, barren wife.

Nevertheless, he immediately aligned his confession with the wisdom of God and started introducing himself to everyone by his new name, "Abraham," which means "father of many." He didn't care if the people laughed him to scorn; he maintained

his confession of God's wisdom and sure enough, Isaac was born.

As you meditate on God's Word, continue to declare the things He has said concerning you, irrespective of the prevalent natural circumstances. It makes no difference if the theorists have said the disease is incurable; keep affirming, "Christ is my life! Christ makes me whole; Christ makes me sound! Christ in me means divine health! His divine presence makes me indomitable, refreshed, invigorated, and energised."

Do this every day, interjecting it with speaking in tongues; and I guarantee you, that sickness will pass out of your body in no time. Hallelujah!

## CONFESSION

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I'm what God says I am! I'm like a tree planted by the riverside, bringing forth fruits in and out of season! I'm more than a conqueror, because the greater One lives in me. Christ is my life, and His glory is revealed in, and through me. Hallelujah.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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1 Corinthians 2:4-7

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 3:13-35 & Leviticus 13-14

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 15:21-28 & Genesis 49



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TUESDAY 19

## BE EXEMPLARY



***...but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity (1 Timothy 4:12).***

**T**he summation of the Spirit's admonition through the Apostle Paul in our opening verse above is for us to be exemplary. Don't be the Christian whose behaviour and lifestyle are questionable. Some people's uncommendable behaviour could be in the way they treat other people; be it their staff, colleagues or even their superiors; their character and behaviour aren't Christ-like.

In your life, make up your mind to please the Lord always and in all things, and you'll walk in the fullness of His blessings. It's still early in the year; do a review; if your manner of life is inconsistent with the Word, make a change, so you'll experience the glory of God's Spirit in your life as you should!

Be sure that your mind is clean; your thoughts are clean. Have pure desires and motives. Renew your mind with the Word, and be sure that your affections, choices, and decisions are in line with the Word. Be a true Christian, in heart and in action. Use the Word to check your actions, motives, thoughts, and desires.

The Scriptures have been given to us to build, train, instruct, and correct us in the life and way of righteousness: *"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness"* (2 Timothy

3:16). Let God's Word guide you; give yourself wholly to it and it'll transform your life and help you form the right character and mindset and get rid of all the wrong stuff.

Jesus said, *"Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you"* (John 15:3). The Word purifies and sanctifies. Even now, that's going on in your life; the Word is cleansing you and taking you to a higher level of glory. Make up your mind to live the true Christian life and express the righteousness of God in all things and every place.

## CONFESSION

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My life is for the glory of God; I'm called to show forth His praise and express His righteousness on earth. I'm a light in a dark world, living out the divine life that I have in Christ, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Colossians 1:10 AMPC; 1 Peter 1:14-16

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 4:1-20 & Leviticus 15

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 15:29-39 & Genesis 50



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WEDNESDAY 20

## OUT OF SATAN'S JURISDICTION



***Giving thanks unto the Father...Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son (Colossians 1:12-13).***

**T**he word translated “delivered” above is the Greek “rhuomai,” which means to pluck or take something out of where it is, and pull it to yourself. God didn’t just take us out of the domain of darkness and leave us in limbo; He brought us into the Kingdom of His love-Son, to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the Kingdom of light.

You’ve been taken out of the power, dominion, control, and authority of darkness, into absolute safety; the glorious liberty of the sons of God. Therefore, you’re not under Satan’s jurisdiction; he has no authority over you whatsoever; he can’t decide what happens with you.

There’s nothing of darkness in you. Darkness represents evil; evil powers and all their works. It represents all that’s destructive, and negative to you; everything that makes a lie and works against the purposes of God. Darkness refers to Satan’s dominion. But thanks be unto God! You’ve been taken out of all such influences, and brought into God’s marvellous light.

What is it that hurts or binds? Is it sickness that’s attacking your body? Is fear trying to take a hold of you? Is it fear of failure, fear of darkness, fear of the future, or



any other kind of fear? All of these belong in the domain of darkness, the jurisdiction of Satan; but you live far above them!

Ephesians 2:6 says God has *“...raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.”* You occupy the position of power, authority and dominion, where you reign and rule with Christ over Satan and his works of darkness.

Even now, you can release yourself from any bondage of the mind; free yourself from the shackles of deception. Tell yourself, “I’m not under Satan’s jurisdiction,” and walk free. It’s that simple. It doesn’t matter what your experiences might have been before now, you don’t need deliverance from the devil; act on the Word and walk free!

Notice again the tenses in our theme scripture: God already transferred or catapulted you out of Satan’s domain; you don’t belong there. Therefore, you have the right to cast-off anything, and everything, that’s of darkness. All it takes is your word; give the word and effect a change. Hallelujah!

## CONFESSION

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I dwell in the Kingdom of God’s love-Son, wherein is no darkness at all; I’m reigning in union with the Lord, enjoying my blessed life in Christ. Glory to God!

## FURTHER STUDY:

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1 Peter 2:9; Colossians 1:12-13 AMPC

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 4:21-41 & Leviticus 16-18

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 16:1-12 & Exodus 1



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THURSDAY 21

## BE PREPARED FOR HIS COMING



***But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer (1 Peter 4:7).***

Some people say the world isn't going to end anytime soon. They say, "This talk of Jesus coming soon has been on for ages; it's never going to happen!" Well, anyone who talks like that is ignorant. I tell you, Jesus Christ is coming again! 1 Corinthians 16:22 (AMPC) says, *"If anyone does not love the Lord [does not have a friendly affection for Him and is not kindly disposed toward Him], he shall be accursed! Our Lord will come! (Maranatha!)."*

The events and happenings all around the world today are clear indications that the Lord's return is approaching, sooner than many can imagine. We're in the last days. In Luke 21:25-26, Jesus said that in the last days, there'll be perplexity of nations, men's hearts failing them for fear: *"And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; Men's hearts failing them for fear...."*

There're very few events that need to take place before the King finally shows up. Many aren't prepared for His return, but don't be among such people. Someone might ask, "Isn't He going to take every Christian with Him?" Yes, He's going to take Christians who are expecting Him; not those who have forgotten about Him and have become so carnal and live as though Jesus isn't coming. Hebrews 9:28 says, *"...and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second*

*time without sin unto salvation."*

When the Apostle Paul, in 1 Thessalonians 5:6 admonished us not to sleep, he wasn't talking about physical sleep. He was talking about spiritual sleep; when you're so deep into worldly things that you become unaware of, and oblivious to spiritual realities around you. Jesus told us to watch and pray, *"...for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh"* (Matthew 24:44).

We must be awake and alert in the spirit; let your life be guided by His love, by His Word and by your expectation of His coming. Let your desire to win more people to Christ flourish, because we've got to win them; otherwise, they'll perish without God. This is the drive; this is what keeps us working to make sure we leave no stone unturned in our quest and pursuit for the souls of men.

## CONFESSION

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I'm fully convinced that the Gospel is God's saving power to everyone who believes, and therefore, I'm resolute in my commitment to win more people to Christ, snatching many out of the kingdom of darkness into the glorious liberty of the sons of God. Hallelujah!

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Matthew 24:14; Romans 13:11-14; Mark 13:32-33

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 5:1-20 & Leviticus 19-21

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 16:13-20 & Exodus 2



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FRIDAY 22

## ENDLESS PROSPERITY



***And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed (Genesis 12:2-3).***

From the Bible, we see that even at old age, Abraham was very rich, because God blessed Him in all things. He was rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold (Genesis 13:2). The word translated, “cattle” is actually “livestock”; he had herds of cattle, sheep, goats, etc.

Then in Genesis 24:1, we yet read something beautiful about Abraham; it says, *“And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.”* Abraham’s life progressed from glory to glory; no downtimes. This is God’s plan for your life; upward and forward only. He doesn’t want a situation where, somewhere along the course of your life, you’ll be regarded as one who used to be rich; He’s ordained your prosperity to be for eternity.

You’re God’s just and righteous one, and the Bible says, *“...the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day”* (Proverbs 4:18). That’s the story and progression of the life of the one in Christ.

Thus, just because you’re retired doesn’t mean you should go broke; the Bible says, *“So then they*

*which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham*" (Galatians 3:9). You're blessed with faithful Abraham, and of the increase of your wealth and prosperity, there shall be no end! Blessed be God!

## CONFESSION

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I'm an heir of God and a joint-heir with Christ; the world belongs to me. I'm the seed of Abraham; therefore, I'm blessed with faithful Abraham; I'm blessed with the dew of heaven, with the fatness of the earth, and with plenty of corn and wine. My prosperity is endless.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Genesis 26:12-14; Psalm 1:1-3

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 5:21-43 & Leviticus 22-23

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 16:21-28 & Exodus 3



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SATURDAY 23

## WALK IN THE SPIRIT



***This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh (Galatians 5:16).***

Some people unwittingly allow every form of strife to take root in their hearts: bitterness, malice, anger, envy, hatred, and all forms of wickedness. But the Apostle Paul, in Ephesians 4:31-32, admonishes that we put away these things and walk in love: *“Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ’s sake hath forgiven you.”*

But the question is, “How do you consistently walk in love in a world where there’s so much hate?” Our opening text gives us the answer: *“This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh”* (Galatians 5:16). When you walk in the Spirit, you see and walk differently; your perspective is different, and walking in love is natural to you. Being born again, you have the capacity to love even the most difficult or seemingly unlovable people.

When you walk in the Spirit, the love of God emits from you profusely; you’re kind-hearted and compassionate; you live beyond yourself and transcend the human level of selfishness and your own desires. When you walk in the Spirit, you go beyond “This is what I want” or “This is how I like it”; you think differently, and esteem others better than yourself (Philippians 2:3).



When you walk in the Spirit, you see with His eyes and think godly and loving thoughts towards others. There wouldn't be any iota of anger, selfishness, bitterness or resentment manifested in or through you; those things just don't find a place in you. The words of Jesus in Matthew 5:43-44 become your lifestyle: *"Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you."*

## PRAYER

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Dear Father, I thank you for the infilling of the Holy Spirit that I experience always. My thoughts, words and actions are motivated by your love, causing me to see and to relate with others with Christ's love, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Romans 5:5; Galatians 5:22-25

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 6:1-29 & Leviticus 24

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 17:1-13 & Exodus 4



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SUNDAY 24

## THE FULLNESS OF CHRIST



***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).**

Our opening Scripture is so powerful, and so revealing. The Church is the fullness of Christ! That means we're the completion of Christ; He's the head, and we're the body, and when you put us together, we're the Christ in full. We're the fullness of Him that fills everything. Blessed truth! I wish that all of God's children would grasp this!

John 1:16 says, *"And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace."* We've received of His fullness. No wonder Jesus said 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 was talking about inherent life. He's full of life; He's all of life; all of divinity. God the Father doesn't have any more life than Jesus has. Then, we read in John 1:16 that we have received of His fullness. He's full of God, and that fullness has passed unto us, not in trickles, but in it's entirety. If we had less life than He does, we'd not be the fullness of Him, because the Scripture says, *"...the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all."* Each one of us is filled in Him, and with Him. You're in Him, and He's in you. This was God's plan, idea, and dream from the foundation of the world, for us to be the fullness of

Christ, and He accomplished it in Christ Jesus, and by sending the Holy Spirit to live in us.

The Church is a supernatural body; and you're part of that body. You're full of God, not sickness and disease. You might have been told that you came from a poor family, therefore, you may not really amount to much in life; but that can't be, because you belong in another family; the family of Christ—the Church! And in Christ, you're in wealth, splendour, prosperity, and glory. Hallelujah!

## **CONFESSION**

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I've got treasures in me! The glory of God is in me; the life of God is in me; the Word of God is working in me, and I'm the reflection of the Word of God. I'm filled with Christ, and as He is, so am I in this world! My life is a continuous manifestation of Christ and the supernatural! Blessed be God!

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

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Psalm 82:6; 1 Corinthians 6:17; 1 John 4:17

### **1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:**

Mark 6:30-56 & Leviticus 25

### **2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:**

Matthew 17:14-21 & Exodus 5



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MONDAY 25

## SPIRIT-CONTROLLED AT ALL TIMES



***...be filled with the [Holy] Spirit and constantly guided by Him (Ephesians 5:18 AMP).***

A dear lady was very angry with another Christian sister, and as they bandied words, she said to her neighbour, "Any more word from you, I will drop this Bible, and smack your face!" Meanwhile, she wasn't holding a physical Bible, but she meant that she'd keep aside whatever caution the Bible gives, and hit her.

What does that show? It shows the Word wasn't yet in her heart; it was still in the Bible. When the Word is in you, you can't drop it; it's your life. Every Christian wants, and should live the life that's Spirit-ruled and Spirit-controlled; the life that's filled with God. That's what Christianity is: Christ alive and at work in you, such that you're always under the sway and regulation of the Spirit; not such things as anger, wrath and malice.

Don't be controlled by your feelings or emotions; be Spirit-ruled. It makes no difference how angry you are; hold yourself in; it's called in 2 Peter 1:6 "egkrateia" (Greek). The Bible says, "*Be ye angry, and sin not...*" (Ephesians 4:26). In other words, "Manage your anger." You can be tempted to be angry, tempted to act in a way that's inappropriate for a Christian, but if you walk in the spirit, you'll not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

How do you walk in the spirit? It's by walking in the Word of God; walking in the light of God's Word. You're in Christ now; walk in love. Be Spirit-ruled, and Spirit-controlled at all times. Read our opening verse

again and notice how often we should be filled with the Spirit: always! When you're filled with the Spirit, you have a Spirit-controlled life. Hallelujah!

## CONFESSION

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I'm full of the Spirit. I'm patient and full of divine wisdom; I express the beauty and excellence of divinity through my words and actions every day, being continually led of the Spirit, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Romans 8:13; Galatians 5:25; Ephesians 4:1 NIV

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 7:1-23 & Leviticus 26-27

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 17: 22-27 & Exodus 6



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TUESDAY 26

## JESUS IS GOD'S BLESSING



***Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities (Acts 3:26).***

**T**he Lord Jesus came as a blessing to the world, to save men and bring them into fellowship with Himself, but the people of the world didn't accept Him. Even the Jews, through whom He came, didn't accept Him, because He came as a man. He wasn't what they expected; they weren't expecting someone that looked as ordinary as themselves. But Jesus is by no means ordinary; He's Himself God. Be that as it may, He didn't come to the world as God.

Philippians 2:6-8 says, *"Who, being in the form of God...made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men. And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."* They expected a ruler, but because they were spiritually blind, they didn't realise that the one who walked amongst them was the ruler of heaven and earth; the Monarch of the universe. They expected a Messiah, and He was the Messiah.

Jesus is all that the Jews and the world were looking for and more, packaged in one divine personality, but they didn't recognise Him. He wasn't packaged the way they expected, so they killed Him. The Bible says, *"He came unto his own, and his own*

*received him not*" (John 1:11). But thanks be unto God! The ensuing verse 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."*

If you've never been born again, it means you've not received Him; you've not accepted God's blessing. Jesus is all the blessings of heaven personified; to have Him is to have everything. It makes no difference what you've been searching for in life; what you've been in need of; receive Jesus and your search, thirst, and pursuit of happiness, will be over. He's the one-stop shop for everything divine; everything sublime; everything transcendent that you could ever need. He's your life, your peace, your salvation, your prosperity, your wisdom, your righteousness, and your everything! He's God's blessing to you! Hallelujah!

## CONFESSION

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Blessed Jesus, you're the lover of my soul, and the personality of my deepest affection; you mean more than the world to me. I acknowledge you as God's ultimate blessing to me, and I walk in the light of all that I am in, and to you. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

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Matthew 1:20-21; John 17:3; Philippians 2:9-11

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 7:24-8:1-13 & Numbers 1-2

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 18:1-11 & Exodus 7



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WEDNESDAY 27

## THE ABILITY, FAVOUR, AND DIRECTION TO PROSPER



***And...I will bless thee...and thou shalt be a blessing (Genesis 12:2).***

**T**here're lots of beautiful definitions for the word "blessing" or the infinitive, "bless"; one of them is the invocation of the ability, favour, and direction to prosper. When you're blessed, the ability to prosper is invoked in your life; it's inherent in you and works all the time. You have the ability to succeed, such that anything that concerns you turns out excellently.

The invocation of favour means divine favour works in your life in a way that even your detractors are compelled to favour you. Even when you're not interested in certain privileges that are yours, or don't have enough information to desire them, that divine favour causes them to come to you. How important it is for you to recognise, and walk in this consciousness!

The third element in our definition of blessing is the direction to prosper. That's equally so powerful, because when that's invoked in your life, you find that you're always at the centre of God's perfect will; you go in the right direction, for the right purpose, and at the right time. Even when you don't have a clue, that divine power of blessing causes you or literally places you in the centre of God's will.

There're people who always get into trouble; there seems to be something working in them to get them into trouble; but not you! You're the blessed of the Lord. There's a divine elixir working in you, that steers you away from trouble and keeps you on the

path of life; on the path of divine destiny.

When you're blessed, your steps are always ordered of the Lord. You become a problem solver. Blessings begin to flow as soon as you enter a place! You're always just on time to be favoured and directed in the way of prosperity. These elements of blessing don't work sometimes only; they work continuously, without fail. Become conscious that in you are the ability, favour, and direction to prosper, because you're the blessed of the Lord. Hallelujah!

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## PRAYER

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I'm a package of blessings. I've received the invocation of the ability, favour, and the direction to prosper. My steps are ordered of the Lord; I'm at the right place at the right time, meeting the right people, and doing the right things. I'm always at the centre of God's perfect will. Glory to God!

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## FURTHER STUDY:

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Deuteronomy 28:3-6; Numbers 6:22-24; Galatians 3:9

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Mark 8:14-26 & Numbers 3-4

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Matthew 18:12- 20 & Exodus 8



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THURSDAY 28

## DON'T LET THEM PERISH WITHOUT GOD



***For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved (John 3:17).***

Imagine that you have friends or relatives who aren't born again or people who work with you who aren't born again; don't let them go to hell! You need to weep and cry for their salvation. In your intercessory prayers, you need to wail and travail for their souls, that the light of the glorious Gospel would shine in their hearts. You need to pray for them knowing the terror that awaits them, until you're assured of their salvation. Don't take this lightly.

Think about your uncles and aunts; think about your cousins, your spouse, your children; don't let them perish without God! Don't let them go to hell! Do you know what it is to be in the darkest place for eternity, and never have hope of coming out?

Your presence in your home, school, workplace, neighbourhood, estate, city or country isn't for a game. It isn't just for you to be happy and celebrate that you're born again; you must be concerned for the salvation of others. You're a saviour to your world. You were sent to save others.

You're on earth and alive to do the Lord's work; to win more and more people to Jesus Christ. We've got to snatch them out of hell; some of them are already so close, and if we don't rescue them, they'll slip right into it. We must not let them!

The Lord has committed to us the ministry of reconciliation, and faithfully, we must keep carrying out our ministry, turning men from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God.

## **PRAYER**

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Blessed Father, I thank you for making the Gospel heard and received in my world, and your righteousness established in the hearts of men. Indeed, the kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Christ. The Lord reigns forever and ever. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

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Matthew 24:14; 2 Peter 3:8-10

### **1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:**

Mark 8:27-9:1-13 & Numbers 5-6

### **2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:**

Matthew 18:21-35 & Exodus 9



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-N. Richard; Ghana

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-E. Favour; Nigeria

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