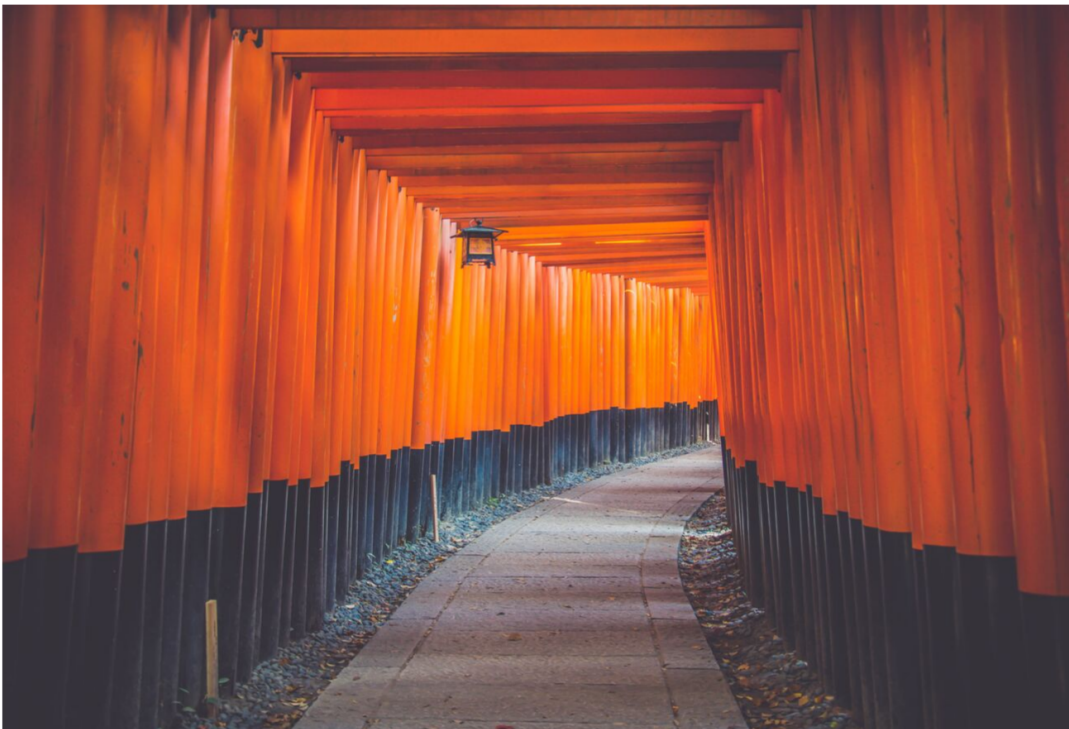


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# CHANGING HOPELESS SITUATIONS

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# Changing Hopeless Situations. Part 1

## Gods' Modus operandi

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Psalms 107:1-12 (NKJV Strong's) Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

For His mercy endures forever.

2 Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,

3 And gathered out of the lands,

From the east and from the west,

From the north and from the south.

4 They wandered in the wilderness in a desolate way;

They found no city to dwell in.

5 Hungry and thirsty,

Their soul fainted in them.

6 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,

And He delivered them out of their distresses.

7 And He led them forth by the right way,

That they might go to a city for a dwelling place.

8 Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness,

And for His wonderful works to the children of men!

9 For He satisfies the longing soul,

And fills the hungry soul with goodness.

10 Those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death,

Bound in affliction and irons—

11 Because they rebelled against the words of God,  
And despised the counsel of the Most High,  
12 Therefore He brought down their heart with labor;  
They fell down, and there was none to help.

Doesn't the bible describe life in the most beautiful way? Imagine in those few verses, it summed the lives of most of us.

Psalms 107:13-16 (NKJV Strong's) Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,  
And He saved them out of their distresses.  
14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death,  
And broke their chains in pieces.  
15 Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness,  
And for His wonderful works to the children of men!  
16 For He has broken the gates of bronze,  
And cut the bars of iron in two.

Did you notice something here? There are three sections here. The story is cut down to three sections, and all those sections he is describing different kinds of people. He starts with the redeemed of the Lord, and now he is addressing the fools:

Psalms 107:17-19 (NKJV Strong's) Fools, because of their transgression,  
And because of their iniquities, were afflicted.  
18 Their soul abhorred all manner of food,  
And they drew near to the gates of death.  
19 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,  
And He saved them out of their distresses.

This is how He did it!

Psalms 107:20 (NKJV Strong's) He sent His word and healed them,

And delivered them from their destructions.

He didn't say that throughout all those verses but that's how He did it. We see that in the circumstances of life, Gods' word becomes very important. We are going to start a new series: Changing hopeless situations. Have you ever found yourself in a situation that is hopeless? I read you from the book of Psalms because wanted to show you how God works in the affairs of men. If His word can't get to you, there is nothing He can do. His word is the bridge between you and Him, and that is the only bridge that God built for men through which He can help them.

“He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.”

How do you think He does that? How does the word of God go out and help men? This are some of the questions that I will endeavour to answer in this new series. The principles that I will teach will not only work when you change hopeless situations but will work when you want to change any situation that doesn't seem good to you.

Father in the name of Jesus Christ, we place a notice here tonight on the spirit of witchcraft and in the name of Jesus I command that it shall not operate any further in the lives of your children. I speak against words that have been spoken concerning them and words that have delayed the process of their lives. I speak against words that have hindered their progress; words that have caused doors that should be open but rather they are closed.

I speak against the bronze gates that have set themselves against your children. I speak against chains that have bound themselves to your children. In the name of Jesus, I command every iron and bronze gate to be destroyed. We speak against every weapon of Satan that have set themselves against the children of God. I rebuke the spirit of rebellion that have tried to entrench itself in the hearts and minds of the people of God. I command you now to leave because you are not welcome, I serve notice in the name of Jesus Christ on every false ideology and stronghold entranced in the lives of your people.

I command right now that those familiar spirits that have come and attached themselves in the family and bloodline of your children, from this day onward to lose and be gone. In the mighty name of Jesus I render every plan, purpose, onslaught, initiation and everything that have tried to disrepute and undermined the integrity of the word of God, the plans of God and the purposes of God for your children. I came

against it in the name of Jesus and I shame you in Jesus mighty name. I shame everything that has raised against the name of Jesus. I command you this day to let go of the people of God.

Father, no plan, no strategy, no assassination will function and operate from this day forward in the lives of your children. In the same of Jesus of Nazareth, I bind even according to your word that whatever is bound on earth shall be bound in Heaven therefore I bind the spirit of idleness that has tried to influence and have room in the lives of your children- I bind it in the mighty name of Jesus. Let it be bound in the

Heavenly realms, and I lose the function of Heaven upon their lives. I lose the windows of Heaven on their lives; I lose the doors of the spirit upon their lives and in the name of Jesus I open every door closed by Satan.

I come against the spirit of lying, and in Jesus mighty name I confront you in the truth of the word of God and I command that every lie spoken to your children and they have come to believe to be exposed in the name of Jesus. I lose the angels of God over their lives, angels that were unable to function. From now they will begin to function without any hindrance, I speak to the Heavenly principalities that have set themselves for the children of God to prosper and succeed- I command them that every ministry spirit assigned to their lives to be dispatched from this day forth.

Doors be open in Jesus might name! Windows be open in Jesus mighty name! Gates be open in the might name of Jesus! I speak open Heaven over the lives of your children in the name of Jesus. The transcendence of Heaven over their lives. May there be an abundance of angelic traffic in their lives, with the keys of the Kingdom I open ever door that concern their destinies. In the name of Jesus Christ we destroy every witchcraft spirit.

In the name of Jesus Christ we supine every Satanic force that has risen against your people, in the name of Jesus we supine them to the courts of Heaven and we present the blood of Jesus over them. You said, we overcame by the blood of the lamb and by the word of our testimony. The errors and sins of our father shall not follow us, in the name of Jesus. Their errors shall never be our errors. In the name of Jesus we crush every spirit of rebellion from prevailing in our household and in our churches.

In the name of Jesus, the courts have been sited and judgement has gone forth, and favour has been set for the children of God. We thank you that your mercy has prevailed, in the name of Jesus. Let there be a shaking from this day forth, let there be

a shaking in our lives, let there be a shaking in the things that do not please you- the things that prevent the word of God from prevailing. Let there be a removal of the things that are not planted by the Lord, in the name of Jesus! Every plantation that has not been planted by God, let it be uprooted now!

In the name of Jesus, every satanic thoughts we destroy! Every stronghold we destroy! Every satanic hindrance we destroy! In the mighty name of Jesus, we speak against our past and we declare that our past shall not have any influence in our future. We declare, our past shall not have any say in what God has spoken of our future. The shame of our past shall not have any influence in our lives. Let there be a shaking Lord.

That spirit of heaviness leaves you now! In the name of Jesus, receive the spirit of praise! We rebuke every spirit of heaviness; every weight and burden. We free ourselves from the weights of this life.

Genesis 1:1-3 (NKJV Strong's) In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

4 And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. We see three things there:

In the beginning God created the Heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. The earth was in a chaotic mess. The earth has become *Tohu tohu*. Have you ever felt that way in life, where you feel like your life has no shape?

"The earth was without form, and void"

When the bible mentions one thing twice, you must know that it is serious. The translators didn't know how to key in this expression because in the Hebrew is *tohu tohu*. You would think 'Because He is God, everything would run smooth' we know that God is all perfect and wise. We would think with God nothing can ever go wrong but what happened? If Gods' plans failed, what is men?

The only difference is that no matter how many times they failed, He would still go back to the fulfilment of His original plan. He has the power to alter and change

things, when Adam failed God had a plan already. That Gods' plans failed doesn't change anything about Him, and nothing that was going on scared Him.

Satan fall, and it didn't bother God at all. Adam failed and it still didn't bother God. All this didn't bother Him because He had foreknowledge, there is a foresight He possessed. Sometimes life is that way, many times life is that way. Start out with your 'A' plan then everything seems to change after 10 years nothing is really done. You might look at your life and think 'I am a failure' this causes you to live life having accepted defeat from your unfulfilled plan yet it is changeable. Life will almost always throw us with hopeless situations, and sometimes you don't even choose those situations.

God did not choose for the earth to become formless and void but it was so. Notice something: the response is different. He didn't weep or lament over that predicament. One of the things that prevent things from changing in our lives is our inability to see beyond them. Here is what I mean: A hopeless situation arises in your life and all of a sudden your whole life resolve around it, everything in your life suddenly takes second sit and this predicament takes your whole life. One thing you must realise about every situation in life is that within it there is a solution.

Every human problem comes with it the solution! Let me show you:

Genesis 1:1-3 (NKJV Strong's) In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

2 Corinthians 4:6 (NKJV Strong's) For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Did you see that? Darkness was on the earth, and where did God call light from? The bible says out of darkness. When God was saying 'Light be...' He was talking to the darkness.

Genesis 1:3-4 (NKJV Strong's) Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. 4 And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness.



Notice that this light did not remove darkness because God still needed to divide the light from darkness. He called the light from darkness. When He was saying ‘Let there be light...’ He was actually looking at the darkness. This tells you that everything in life carries with it the solution. You should not look at the hopelessness of the predicament but its seed of change. The seed of change is within the predicament. For instance, do you remember Joseph? He was sold by his brothers, they thought they were doing themselves a favour but 17 years later they came back and he said something to them. Let me read it to you:

Genesis 50:15-18 (NKJV Strong's) When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, “Perhaps Joseph will hate us, and may actually repay us for all the evil which we did to him.” 16 So they sent messengers to Joseph, saying, “Before your father died he commanded, saying, 17 ‘Thus you shall say to Joseph: “I beg you, please forgive the trespass of your brothers and their sin; for they did evil to you.” ’ Now, please, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of your father.” And Joseph wept when they spoke to him.

18 Then his brothers also went and fell down before his face, and they said, “Behold, we are your servants.”

If they had not sold him they could not bow to him and his dream would have not been fulfilled. Some have said ‘Joseph spoke too much, he shouldn’t have told his brothers the dream’ But yet again you see how instrumental his brothers were in the fulfilment of the dream because they were the instrumentalities of the fulfilment of that dream. The answer of Joseph’s dream was in the ill-treatment that his brothers gave him but they didn’t realise it at that time.

Here is the thing: Joseph didn’t have a choice. There are things in life that happen that are against you but you don’t have a choice\_ your own is the gather the strength to trust God.

Genesis 50:19-20 (NKJV Strong's) Joseph said to them, “Do not be afraid, for am I in the place of God? 20 But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.

Did you realise that? There is good in evil. If Satan had not fallen and not deceived Eve\_Jesus might not have come and we would not have this bible. The fall of man brought about the revelation of Christ as a person. If Moses had not died Joshua

would have not become a leader because Moses was always going to be his delay.  
Who would be leader in the presence of Moses?

When you look at all the adversities in your life, always remember that there is a solution right there. The solution is not going to come externally but it is inside, you must have the insight of the Spirit to recognise how to pull it out.

In the beginning, everything was in a chaotic mess but God called forth light. God purposefully didn't remove the darkness yet He could have done that. He created a designated place for light and a designated place for darkness, doesn't He love light? Why then does He leave darkness? Can you see how loving the Father is? Satan cannot inhabit light. Who else was darkness made for? The place of darkness is the habitation of Satan. God didn't send Satan to Hell but He created darkness for him. What does this tell you about life? Both these things will run parallel, as much as you have light you will also have the fierce opposition of darkness.

The greater the light you live in\_ the more darkness will try to destroy you. For power to be present in your life there must be the foundation of weakness. Do you remember Paul?

2 Corinthians 12:8-9 (NKJV Strong's) Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. 9 And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

From here you can see how God balances life and how He expects us to respond. Who do you think was the most depressed person on earth? Jesus, I can tell you that because the word Humility actually means depressed; a state of depression where you are so low in your mind. He was the most depressed yet He was the most powerful!

He needed to have a depressed mind, do you know why I'm telling you that? Because it allowed him to do something that would have been otherwise impossible, it allowed Him to be utterly dependent on the Father. Was He not fully God? Yes He was but His state allowed Him to trust fully on God.

Why does life become hard sometimes on people who are seemingly Christians? There is a reason!

2 Corinthians 4:7-8 (NKJV Strong's) But we have this treasure in earthen

vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. 8 We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

I thought we have this earthen treasure! I thought what we possess is powerful!

2 Corinthians 4:8 (NKJV Strong's) We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

Where is God in all of this? Many people think when they go through hardships God has left them, and that is not true. Many times you go through trouble because God is there, God attracts trouble.

2 Corinthians 4:7-10 (NKJV Strong's) But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. 8 We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; 9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed— 10 always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.

In all that he said there are key principals included there. Human life is foolish! It doesn't know whether you are born again or not.

1 Corinthians 2:6-8 (NKJV Strong's) However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. 7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory, 8 which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

If life knew who you are it wouldn't treat you bad as it does. Had they known, they wouldn't even dare crucify Him. Satan will still attack you even though he knows He will lose. Why did I show you all those things? It is because there is a divine orchestration of the coming in of hopeless predicaments. Why would God still have Satan get Job's attention if all of his life was fulfilled? God knew his life was boring. The life of Job lacked something, it had everything but not the revelation of God. He had the wealth, family and fame but he lacked the revelation of God and God knew it.

Job 1:1-3 (NKJV Strong's) There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was blameless and upright, and one who feared God

and shunned evil. 2 And seven sons and three daughters were born to him. 3 Also, his possessions were seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys, and a very large household, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the East.

The life is perfect but it lacked something. To God his life was not yet perfected.

Job 1:6-7 (NKJV Strong's) Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them. 7 And the Lord said to Satan, "From where do you come?"

Why does the Lord take specific interest to Satan? And notice, the Lord doesn't go straight to the point because the point that He was trying to convey was about Job but He doesn't ask about Him immediately.

Job 1:7 (NKJV Strong's) And the Lord said to Satan, "From where do you come?"

So Satan answered the Lord and said, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking back and forth on it."

You must notice that the Lord already considered Job's life but now He introduces Job to Satan. Satan knew about Job but he didn't think of doing anything to him because he was Heavenly protected.

Job 1:8-11 (NKJV Strong's) Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?"

9 So Satan answered the Lord and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing? 10 Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. 11 But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!"

Can you see what God is doing here? He is hiring Satan's services. God can't do it! He is God but now He is hiring Satan. Now Satan is under God's payroll. He sent him on an errand, this tells us who Satan really is\_ He is God's servant in the same way as every servant of God because both fulfil God's purposes and plans. The purpose of Satan in our lives is to do something: to lead us into the wilderness.

Job 1:12 (NKJV Strong's) And the Lord said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person."

So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord.

God gave Satan power over all the possessions of Job, not over Job but all that he had. Now that was the first meeting, there was another one:

Job 2:4-6 (NKJV Strong's) So Satan answered the Lord and said, "Skin for skin! Yes, all that a man has he will give for his life. 5 But stretch out Your hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will surely curse You to Your face!"

6 And the Lord said to Satan, "Behold, he is in your hand, but spare his life."

At first He gave Satan charge over all of his possession but it didn't work. I wanted you to see two things there. Firstly: Satan cannot do anything in your life without Gods' permission. Secondly: If anything adverse happens in your life it is by Gods permission. Whatever happened in the life of Job was because God permitted it, Satan asked for permission and God agreed. If you never had any accident God didn't permit it. I had an accident in 2016, and time went by I asked the Lord why did it happen? Because I really wanted to know. Do you know what the Holy Spirit said to me? He said:

"I allowed it to happen"

It broke my heart for a moment. In that accident I only came out with a scratch on my hand, I was not wearing any safety belt and the car hit on my side. When the Police came they asked, who was sitting on this side? I told them it was me, they looked at me and they looked at the car then they said that I was lying because the car was hit very badly.

There is the allowance of God in the actions of Satan, so whatever may happens to our lives always remember that God permitted it because if He didn't want it to happen, it wouldn't happen. In the bible you see something very strange: Demons, Satan and Angels are all involved in pushing man to the will of God. This is the strangest thing in the bible that I ever came across. There are demons you can't cast out, imagine a demon was following Jesus for three and half years. Judas has as much power as Peter had, he was an apostle of the Lord.

God left room for a vessel to contain Satan in the ministry of Jesus. He never accused

the Devil even once!

Genesis 1:2 (NKJV Strong's) The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

I was the permission of God. In life there are demons you can't cast out because they are sent by God. They are sent by God! Let me show you:

2 Chronicles 18:8-17 (NKJV Strong's) Then the king of Israel called one of his officers and said, "Bring Micaiah the son of Imla quickly!"

9 The king of Israel and Jehoshaphat king of Judah, clothed in their robes, sat each on his throne; and they sat at a threshing floor at the entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets prophesied before them. 10 Now Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah had made horns of iron for himself; and he said, "Thus says the Lord: 'With these you shall gore the Syrians until they are destroyed.' "

11 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, "Go up to Ramoth Gilead and prosper, for the Lord will deliver it into the king's hand."

12 Then the messenger who had gone to call Micaiah spoke to him, saying, "Now listen, the words of the prophets with one accord encourage the king. Therefore please let your word be like the word of one of them, and speak encouragement."

13 And Micaiah said, "As the Lord lives, whatever my God says, that I will speak."

14 Then he came to the king; and the king said to him, "Micaiah, shall we go to war against Ramoth Gilead, or shall I refrain?"

And he said, "Go and prosper, and they shall be delivered into your hand!"

15 So the king said to him, "How many times shall I make you swear that you tell me nothing but the truth in the name of the Lord?"

16 Then he said, "I saw all Israel scattered on the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd. And the Lord said, 'These have no master. Let each return to his house in peace.' "

17 And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, "Did I not tell you he would not

prophecy good concerning me, but evil?”

Now He is seeing something that is happening in the judgement room of God!

Verse 18 Then Micaiah said, “Therefore hear the word of the Lord: I saw the Lord sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing on His right hand and His left.

Now it is not the throne that John saw in Revelation chapter 4 but the throne that Daniel saw.

2 Chronicles 18:18-20 (NKJV Strong's) Then Micaiah said, “Therefore hear the word of the Lord: I saw the Lord sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing on His right hand and His left. 19 And the Lord said, ‘Who will persuade Ahab king of Israel to go up, that he may fall at Ramoth Gilead?’ So one spoke in this manner, and another spoke in that manner. 20 Then a spirit came forward and stood before the Lord, and said, ‘I will persuade him.’ The Lord said to him, ‘In what way?’

The bible didn’t say one of the host! This tells you that it is not the throne in revelation but the court of God so in the court of God, Satan is allowed.

2 Chronicles 18:20-21 (NKJV Strong's) Then a spirit came forward and stood before the Lord, and said, ‘I will persuade him.’ The Lord said to him, ‘In what way?’ 21 So he said, ‘I will go out and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.’ And the Lord said, ‘You shall persuade him and also prevail; go out and do so.’

It was God who sent that spirit! Imagine the Angels couldn’t do it.

Verse 22 Therefore look! The Lord has put a lying spirit in the mouth of these prophets of yours, and the Lord has declared disaster against you.”

Did you see that? The spirit came but it was God who sent it. There are demons assigned to your life. Let me show you something else:

2 Corinthians 12:1-6 (NKJV Strong's) It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: 2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. 3 And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the

body I do not know, God knows— 4 how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. 5 Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. 6 For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me.

He decided to refrain but he didn't do that by choice\_ his refraining came as a result of someone given to him.

Verse 7 And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure.

In other words: it was committed with power to me. Whatever was committed to him that thorn was given a certain level of power!

Verse 7 And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure.

This was the only demon that Paul could not defeat! Listen, what God gave Paul was a gift because Paul was going to be worshiped even today as much as Moses was\_ that gift was an angel of Satan. This demon was responsible for orchestrating all the adversities that Paul came across, every trouble that Paul underwent it was initiated by that demon. When there were fights it was that demon!

Even in our lives as grow in the revelation of God, and walk with God\_ the Lord begins to do something. What is the reason? Because you cannot be humble by yourself. God wants the grate things of life for you but something must happen, you must be humble. Look at Moses, he had to be humbled to be one of the greatest man on earth.

I told you this so that you can realise that there are things that happen in our lives that are by the ordinance of God, they are divinely tailored to for us. We should never pray for those things to be removed but rather ask for the wisdom of God to walk through them. There are some we can rebuke but not all of them.

Genesis 1:1-2 (NKJV Strong's) In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the



face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Isn't that interesting? You would think that in the presence of God such an incident cannot happen.

Everything is changeable!

## Changing Hopeless Situations. Part 2

### The superiority of the Word of God

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Life is spiritual. Remember, we live on earth but though we live on earth we are not engaged with things concerning our lives here on earth\_ it is spiritual engagement that transform and change physical realities. From the understanding we have been given through the Word of God, we are able to understand that life is engaged in a different plane, why is that even with the understanding of the spirituality of life we still struggle as Christians? Why do we still find it hard to live?

With all the tools given to us by God, we still find it hard in life\_ it is confusing, but the answers are always in the scriptures. Every time I have such questions arising in my mind, I always know that the scriptures are the place to go. When man find themselves in trouble they look for answers everywhere else except in the word of God. This has been the primordial failure among human beings.

Outside sources will only give you limited information because they don't know it all, the knowledge of this world is incomparable to the wisdom of God

1 Corinthians 1:27-28 (NKJV Strong's) But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; 28 and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are,

We must relegate all other knowledge and put on the pedestal of our hearts the Word of God. Until that becomes your priority, things can't fall into line. Let me show you something:

Ephesians 1:7-10 (NKJV Strong's) In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace 8 which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, 9 having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, 10 that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.

So what is Gods' mind? His agenda in the appearing of our Lord is to set in motion the process that would bring every single thing to the subjection of the Lord Jesus Christ. In our lives, if we are going to have everything around conformed to the Christ in us\_ something needs to take place and one of those things is to make superior the knowledge of God. You may hear whatever you hear but the Word of God must have finality. Any other information that is not consistent with the knowledge of His Word you must bind it.

2 Corinthians 10:3 (NKJV Strong's) For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh.

He is not denying the fact that we do war! The places in life where life of itself becomes a fight, the problem is that when we get to those places in life most people draw back in fear and anxiety because the situation seems insurmountable. You must face it head-on because those are moments in your life where God has designated to build strength. You must begin to develop a different mind-set about trouble because until you see that hopeless situation as an opportunity, it will elude you.

2 Corinthians 10:4 (NKJV Strong's) For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,

For instance, when you are attacked by sickness\_ that's a warfare because when that sickness comes, its main goal is to underestimate the presence of God in your life. For many people the weapon is medicine. Sickness is as a result of the sin nature that has perpetuated through Adam. The source of all sickness is spiritual because all sickness is caused by Satan, indirectly or directly. You should not step back, your own is to use the spiritual weapons God has given you.

“For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal”

They are not carnal! You will not find them in a book shop.

2 Corinthians 10:4 (NKJV Strong's) For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,

They are able to get the job done! God has weapons for me and you to get every job done. There is no need to worry because you already know that whatever is happening there is something behind and to deal with this physical thing\_ I must deal with the source first.

“So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow:

they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.”

The fear that you would go hungry if there is no human source of supply is your expression of your unbelief in God. Why should I fear? Why our circumstances seems to perpetuate?

2 Corinthians 10:4-5 (NKJV Strong's) For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

Stop using fleshly weapons to deal with spiritual matters! Every single thing you will ever face in life has a spiritual nature behind it even though it may seem physical in its appearance. The spiritual nature of God always brings goodness, the spiritual nature of all trouble has forces behind. People want to deal with spiritual matters in a physical way. If I have divulged my problems to God there is no need to talk to anyone else. It is not that I'm undermining you but there is a greater wisdom that I draw from, and that's if I can hear God. One of the reason you must hold dear the House of God is for this very one purpose, because there you would be trained to hear God. Have you ever read the story of Samuel?

1 Samuel 3:1-10 (NKJV Strong's) Now the boy Samuel ministered to the Lord before Eli. And the word of the Lord was rare in those days; there was no widespread revelation. 2 And it came to pass at that time, while Eli was lying down in his place, and when his eyes had begun to grow so dim that he could not see, 3 and before the lamp of God went out in the tabernacle of the Lord where the ark of God was, and while Samuel was lying down, 4 that the Lord called Samuel. And he answered, “Here I am!” 5 So he ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.”

And he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” And he went and lay down.

6 Then the Lord called yet again, “Samuel!”

So Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” He answered, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” 7 (Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, nor was the word of the Lord yet revealed to him.)

8 And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. So he arose and went to

Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you did call me.”

Then Eli perceived that the Lord had called the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down; and it shall be, if He calls you, that you must say, ‘Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears.’ ” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 Now the Lord came and stood and called as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!”

And Samuel answered, “Speak, for Your servant hears.”

The bible says that, Samuel was raised up to serve God in the century as a priest until the time came for God to talk to him. Even when God was speaking he didn’t know it was Him. He didn’t know because he never heard God speak! Where was Samuel trained to hear the voice of God? There is no institution in the whole earth where you can be trained to hear God, this is the reason why the House of God is the most important institution.

Until you realise how important the House of God is, your life will always be unbalanced. Your protection is in the House of God. Listen to this man:

“One thing I have desired of the Lord, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the Lord, And to inquire in His temple. For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion; In the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He shall set me high upon a rock.” PSALM 27:4-5

The House of God gives your life a meaning; your life finds value in the House of God. Every time you read the bible when the people needed to offer sacrifice or to conduct a certain ceremony, the Lord would say something very striking to them. He would say unto them:

“Then thou shall appear unto me at the place where I have hallowed my name, there you shall bring your offerings”

In other words, there would be no place where their offerings would be accepted except in that certain place because where God puts His name, His presence is bound to be. There is nothing as important as being in the House of God. In life, if you have to choose between the House of God and your house\_ you must always choose the

House of God.

You must always choose the House of God because that's where your destiny is defined. When you know this thing, you would find that you are ahead of many Christians, you would have advantage in life which many Christians pray and wish for. You should love the House of God. Do you remember Joshua? The Bible says, when Moses would enter his tent the cloud would come and after the Lord had spoken to Moses\_ He would leave but Joshua stayed in the sanctuary.

When everybody was going, he remained. God wasn't even talking to him! When Moses went to meet with the Lord on the mountain, do you know where Joshua was? He was somewhere in the middle of the mountain. Joshua gained special privileges because he loved the presence of God. He didn't know the Lord! The Lord didn't talk to him but when Moses died, who did God go to?

“For the weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood], but they are mighty before God for the overthrow and destruction of strongholds, [Inasmuch as we] refute arguments and theories and reasonings and every proud and lofty thing that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God; and we lead every thought and purpose away captive into the obedience of Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One)” 2ND Corinthians 10:4 AMP

Sometimes you can't win because you are not obedient to God. The point I was trying to show you is that everything that exalts itself above the knowledge of the God you must deal with it. I asked a question when we started:

Why is it that even though we know that life is spiritual we don't do that which is necessary to change the physical circumstances that we may find ourselves? The answer is very simple, and it is the cause why many situations perpetuate.

Luke 18:1 (NKJV Strong's) Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart,

Did you read that? He knows that there will be trying times. He is giving men something that is very essential for their lives, and the stability of their lives. How many of you stopped praying when life was pushing hard? The fundamental essence of success in life is founded on the principles of prayer. When I see the waves coming, I must pray! Your prayer life is an advantage over the rest of the world because in

prayer you are employing spiritual principles and forces to work in your favour. When you start making business out of prayer you will find out that you will never lack.

Luke 18:8 (NKJV Strong's) I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?"

He is telling them to always pray but he tells them "Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?"

This is suggesting that even though men pray they pray without faith. What is the one thing that Jesus addressed the most when He walked the earth? It was faith. The faithlessness of people was always His hindrance; their unbelief always short circuited His power. Do you understand what your faith can do for you? Do you have the concept of the power that is available in your faith?

We teach you the Word of God to live it. I never study the word of God to preach, I don't read my bible to teach you. I always make sure that I read, meditate and see all these things in the word of God that I may live them. Every time I read my bible is to find a better way to live my life. As I fellowship with the Word of God, I find answers to live life and I work them out.

Matthew 10:1 (NKJV Strong's) And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease.

Matthew 17:14-17 (NKJV Strong's) And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, 15 "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. 16 So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him."

17 Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me."

Was this before or after He gave them power? They could not heal him, this means they tried. I want you to hear the Lords' answer and where it comes from. I want you to understand how much unbelief grieves God. I am afraid not to believe God! Because the bible says, no man can please God without faith. Few weeks ago, I was

praying and while in prayer, and I found myself standing on a door and I was looking as if I was peeping.

I saw the Lord writing something, and He looked at me and said “Oh you are here, come here” I went inside and He said to me “I am sure you are wondering what I am writing” He looked at me and said “These are the letters to the nations of the earth, for I am judging them soon and I have given them to the angels” Before I could even ask, He said “Do you want to see the one for your nation (South Africa)? The one concerning your nation?” He said to me I should sit down.

From the desk the letter appeared and the first word that lipped out was “Fire and Riots” As I read that I saw it going on in the country. As I was reading the Lord was speaking “This is what will happen to your nation if the Church does not pray, for there is evil in the nation that is coming and if my people do no pray your country will suffer war and there would be no 2019 elections”

I took the paper and read it “New President” and the Lord said “There is a new president I have chosen to lead my people, pray for a right president to be elected lest Satan brings his own man\_ pray” When He said that, I was taken in the spirit to Cape Town at the tip of the country. I was standing high in the waters and I was facing toward the land. From the horizon was building up darkness like clouds. The Lord said to me “See what’s awaiting your nation if you don’t pray” I turned, and I saw gates open and a loud voice said “Close the gates” I came back!

While I was writing this down, the Lord said to me “Go to Cape Town and pray at Table Mountain” I agreed. I looked at what I had but it wasn’t enough. I said, “Lord I don’t have, can I postpone it?” But the Lord said, “Now go” We went with my friend. The Lord said to me before “When you go there it will not rain but when your feet hit the ground of Cape Town rain will pour as a sign” When we came out of the airport- it poured the whole of Cape Town.

We went to pray and when we got there an angel called me and I went. I followed where the angel was leading me, and as we passed, we stepped on the alter we built in 2015 (I went to Cape Town in 2015 and we built an alter there) the angel said we should wait there and pray, as we were praying the angel gave me a letter. He said I should read the words out and I did. The Lord said “It is enough go back home” we went back home. When I got home, I was thinking what is going on.

Yesterday, my brother called me and said he wants to show me something. He sent



me a letter by a Prophetess who lives in Ireland. She was praying, and the Lord took her to the table mountain, and showed her the gates. She then turned and when she did that, she saw a man praying with hands lifted as the man was praying the forces of darkness were dismantled. And word for word as she was narrating what she saw and what the Lord was telling her; the Lord told me two weeks ago the very same things.

When I read that before I could even finish it, I went on my knees and I said “Father if I did not believe your Word?” And I broke down in tears of supplication. Why am I telling you this? God is more concerned that you believe Him than working for Him. Can you see where we are stationed now? What we are doing is affecting millions of people, people we may never know.

When you get at that level you become afraid not to believe God, there is a fear in you because you know how much God hates unbelief.

Matthew 17:16 (NKJV Strong's) So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him.”

Look at the desperation of the man! How many people find themselves in this very same situation because His disciples cannot heal them? The only thing that would ever stop God from doing anything in your life is unbelief. Faithlessness cripples God! Faithlessness in God makes Him not to be God in your life, it denies Him the opportunity to be God. When you are doubtful and full of unbelief God can't be God.

Matthew 17:17 (NKJV Strong's) Then Jesus answered and said, “O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me.”

Imagine Jesus was ministering in a perpetual faithless generation, how hard must it have been for the Master. Knowing that He could do all these things yet He couldn't.

Matthew 17:17 (NKJV Strong's) Then Jesus answered and said, “O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me.”

It is difficult to have pity on Christians who should know the Word because their ‘Know too much mind set’ has crippled the power in them. Today we are expecting God to do for us the things that we are supposed to do.

Matthew 17:18-20 (NKJV Strong's) And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came

out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour.

19 Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, “Why could we not cast it out?”

20 So Jesus said to them, “Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.

They had power but it couldn’t work because of unbelief. How did the demon know that they did not have faith enough that it would go when they cast it out? This tells you something about demons and circumstances, circumstances know when you don’t have faith enough for them to go. If you speak to a situation and it does not change that situation can tell that there is no faith because everything in creation is designed to respond to faith filled words.

Matthew 17:20 (NKJV Strong's) 20 So Jesus said to them, “Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.

Do you know what the Lord is trying to show His disciples here? He is trying to show them that they do not need much faith to do more. He is saying little faith is enough to drive away even the strongest demon. Look at Peter: He walked on water with little faith.

Unbelief is the major contributor to the stagnation of many people in life. Why do you believe that God can create stars but cannot create a beautiful life for you? Only faith and belief in the ability of God, and the ability in you to change situations will work. The extent at which you believe God is actually how much God will help you, and how much of Gods’ ability you will see demonstrated in your life.

How much do you believe God? There is a difference between faith and faithfulness. Some people are crying to God because they are faithful to Him, but faithfulness is not faith. Faithfulness will not do for you what only faith can do.

It takes faith to know God. It takes faith to walk with God. It takes faith to believe God. People I started with went to get their qualifications and better jobs but today I am head and shoulders above all of them. I’m not saying it boastfully. I heard a voice and I followed, and I have seen too much of Gods’ power not to believe. You must ask

yourself if you really believe God.

In my life before I do anything of noteworthy I always want to hear His confirmation.

“Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.”

What do you think when you read that? If the sparrows do not hunger, why should you hunger? When you make up your mind to believe God at all costs your life will change because you would know that your help comes from the Lord. I have no human dependability! Your faith in God matters. It is faith that makes all things possible, what is your faith accomplishing for you?

## Changing Hopeless Situations. Part 3

### Believing In The Gospel

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Mark 1:14-15 (NKJV Strong's) Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

Isn't that interesting, that the Lord is calling man to believe in the Gospel? Why is it so important to believe the Gospel?

Romans 1:16 (NKJV Strong's) For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

This is the reason you should believe the Gospel. Throughout the generation men who were anointed by God spoke as they were inspired by God and their words carried power because they were given by God but the Gospel is not a message with power. The Gospel does not contain power, it is the power of God. There is power in the Gospel to transform any person who would believe.

To believe in the Gospel means that you are convinced that this Gospel that Jesus Christ presented to mankind is the only solution to all human problems. The Lord Jesus Christ is calling everybody to a life of dependency on the Gospel. Why was He so convinced that the Gospel is the only solution?

Have you ever realised that the Lord Jesus Christ never referred anybody that came to Him for help to someone else? He always helped everybody that came to Him no matter the problem. He never thought that there was any need that He couldn't meet. Everybody came to Him and He helped them all, no matter how crucial the predicament was. What enabled Him? Study His life and you will realise that there was never a situation that He was faced with and never dealt with it.

When there were no boats He walked on water! When they wanted to stone Him, the bible says He disappeared!

Isaiah 61:1 (NKJV Strong's) "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, Because

the Lord has anointed Me  
To preach good tidings to the poor;  
He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted,  
To proclaim liberty to the captives,  
And the opening of the prison to those who are bound;

What is the first thing He was anointed for? To preach the Gospel!

Luke 4:16-21 (NKJV Strong's) So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written:

18 “The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,  
Because He has anointed Me  
To preach the gospel to the poor;  
He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted,  
To proclaim liberty to the captives  
And recovery of sight to the blind,  
To set at liberty those who are oppressed;  
19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.”

20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. 21 And He began to say to them, “Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

I want you to notice what was going on here: Jesus Christ was announcing His ministry.

Verse 21. And He began to say to them, “Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

Could this be the reason why when He preached in the cities He said that ‘Repent and believe the Gospel...’ The word ‘believe’ is *Pistis* it means to accept as a reality

the Gospel. Why did He say that? Because the Lord was persuaded that the answer to man's cry was the Gospel. There were Doctors, Teachers and Physicians at that time when Jesus came\_ civilisation was progressive but there were certain things in which cavitation was limited in. At that time technology was very limited therefore there were many diseases that the physicians of that time could not diagnose nor treat.

Poor people were locked in the time of Jesus because wealth was only distributed to a few. While all this was happening there comes Jesus and He says the Gospel is the only solution. What is the Gospel? It is the message of life from God, it is the very power of God in demonstration. This is the reason there was no need that Jesus was faced with that He could not fulfil because He had been given by God the message enough to deal with all problems.

One of the things He came to bring to our lives through the Gospel is for us to appreciate the simplicity of life. He did not want you to have divided faith. He wants you to be convinced that this Gospel is the only thing there is to living life and living life at its best.

“I have come that they may have life...”

How will they have life? When they believe in the Gospel! There is no need to suffer anymore just believe in the Gospel. If you need salvation the Gospel can give you salvation! If you need health the Gospel can give you health! If you need deliverance the Gospel can give you deliverance!

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes”

He died for this Gospel that means He believed in the efficacious power of the Gospel. When Jairus came whose daughter was at the point of death, Jesus told him not to fear. Jesus didn't tell him anything else!

Mark 5:22-24 (NKJV Strong's) And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet <sup>23</sup> and begged Him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live.” <sup>24</sup> So Jesus went with him, and a great multitude followed Him and thronged Him.

Mark 5:35-43 (NKJV Strong's) While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why

trouble the Teacher any further?”

36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Do not be afraid; only believe.” 37 And He permitted no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. 38 Then He came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and saw a tumult and those who wept and wailed loudly. 39 When He came in, He said to them, “Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping.”

40 And they ridiculed Him. But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying. 41 Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, “Talitha, cumi,” which is translated, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.” 42 Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement. 43 But He commanded them strictly that no one should know it, and said that something should be given her to eat.

There was no struggle!

Mark 6:34-44 (NKJV Strong's) And Jesus, when He came out, saw a great multitude and was moved with compassion for them, because they were like sheep not having a shepherd. So He began to teach them many things. 35 When the day was now far spent, His disciples came to Him and said, “This is a deserted place, and already the hour is late. 36 Send them away, that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy themselves bread; for they have nothing to eat.”

37 But He answered and said to them, “You give them something to eat.”

And they said to Him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give them something to eat?”

38 But He said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.”

And when they found out they said, “Five, and two fish.”

39 Then He commanded them to make them all sit down in groups on the green grass. 40 So they sat down in ranks, in hundreds and in fifties. 41 And when He had taken the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven, blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to His disciples to set before them;

and the two fish He divided among them all. 42 So they all ate and were filled. 43 And they took up twelve baskets full of fragments and of the fish. 44 Now those who had eaten the loaves were about five thousand men.

They ate until they were filled!

Luke 18:35-43 (NKJV Strong's) Then it happened, as He was coming near Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the road begging. 36 And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what it meant. 37 So they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. 38 And he cried out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

39 Then those who went before warned him that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

40 So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when he had come near, He asked him, 41 saying, "What do you want Me to do for you?"

He said, "Lord, that I may receive my sight."

42 Then Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well."

43 And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

Believing the Gospel that's what it means! This man spoke to trees, He spoke to the waves, He spoke to the waters; He walked on the waters. This very same man is saying believe the Gospel. Until you came to that point the Gospel will be an elusive to you, this is the reason many of the ministers do not understand the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

He is saying, Change your mind, replace the trust you have in the things of this world to the Gospel. Transfer your faith from the power in the Government to the power Gospel; change your ways. Brothers and Sisters, what are you struggling for in life? It is the struggle of unbelieve. Why do we find it easy to believe man than the God who created Him?

Which Government are you subscribed to? If it is the Government of God then it is His duty to take care of you. Our unbelief is the chains that binds God. A friend of



mine was telling me a sad story, he said 'For 10 years I didn't know how to believe God for anything' Imagine! For 10 years not know how to believe God for anything, and it is not that you don't know He can do it but you are not sure.

Many people do not pray because of this! They would rather cry than to pray because of their inability to trust God. If you believe that God is able to perform something for you, you would be praying. We don't pray because we don't have enough faith in God.

When you live a life outside depending on God you are like those hobos on the street that is how your life is spiritually.

"Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child, does not differ at all from a slave, though he is master of all," Galatians 4:1

Matthew 17:19 (NKJV Strong's) Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?"

Imagine: There is no situation that ever came to Jesus that He postponed to another day, there was only one and there is a reason why He did that. Do you know what killed Lazarus? When the messengers went to where he was they didn't tell him what Jesus said (When he was still sick) if they had went and delivered the message, Lazarus would have not died.

Matthew 17:20 (NKJV Strong's) So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief;

Do you know what does unbelieve mean? It is not weakness in faith but the expression of disobedience to the word of God.

Hebrews 3:12 (NKJV Strong's) Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God;

To God every time you are not believing you are expressing evil. When you know the dangers of unbelieve you would be afraid not to believe God. The Lord once appeared to my Mother and said to her "Many of my people in this Church do not believe"

When you believe anyone or anything than God you are not different from people who go to witch doctors. Let me show you something:

Revelation 22:15 (NKJV Strong's) But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.

The word 'sorcerer' is a Greek word *Pharmakeia* which is the present-day word pharmacy. *Pharmakeia* means the practice of medical arts. All medicine is not derived from the spirit realm of God but from the education of spirits to men. It is not from the Wisdom of God because if it was Jesus would have advocated for it.

If we believe in any other thing in this life more than the Gospel we would find out that we will be crippled in our faith life. How do you built faith and reliance on God? You build it by dissociating your trust in man.

Hebrews 3:13-14 (NKJV Strong's) but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. 14 For we have become partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end,

If you would live a life like that, you can never lose because your whole faith is in God. Why are many Christians crippled financially? Because they do not believe the Gospel. I said to God "I believe that you can provide for anybody that trust in you" God is bigger than man

Hebrews 3:19 (NKJV Strong's) So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

HEBREWS 4:1. Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it. 2. For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it.

The only thing you need to do to enter that rest is to believe. I was busy today somewhere doing my work and a young man come to me, and asked what I am doing for a living. I said to Him 'I believe for a living' God is not saying you should work to have but believe to enter the rest and that rest is a realm of God where He does nothing.

Hebrews 4:6 (NKJV Strong's) Since therefore it remains that some must enter it, and those to whom it was first preached did not enter because of disobedience,

Disobedience is the same word used for unbelieve. They could not be persuaded. There is nothing that you require in life that the Gospel has not already met. Let me show you something:

Psalms 55:21-22 (NKJV Strong's) The words of his mouth were smoother than butter,

But war was in his heart;

His words were softer than oil,

Yet they were drawn swords.

22 Cast your burden on the Lord,

And He shall sustain you;

He shall never permit the righteous to be moved.

He shall never permit the righteous to be moved! If you are moved by the turbulences of life you are still carrying your burdens. What are burdens? They are those things you cannot handle; they are too big for you.