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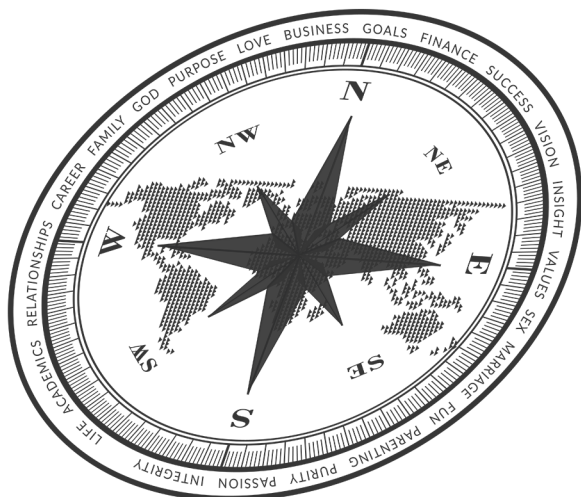


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Introduction

Welcome to November.

It is the season of the latter rain.

This is the rain just before the harvest. It is the rain that ushers in the in-gathering.

Deuteronomy 11:14 NKJV

[14] then I will give you the rain for your land in its season, the early rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your grain, your new wine, and your oil.

This season, pray like you have not prayed before. Lean in on the Lord. Do not assume things will just happen. Even if it is the season, do not keep shut. Ask the Lord for an outpouring. Ask the Lord for it.

Zechariah 10:1 NKJV

Ask the Lord for rain In the time of the latter rain.

This season, obey divine prompts and serve the Lord also with joy and gladness. A prompt can be the last move before an outpouring. Your clouds are heavy but if you will see the rain. Obey divine prompts. Let your heart be drawn fully into the kingdom- no half measures.

Deuteronomy 11:13-14 NKJV

And it shall be that if you earnestly obey My commandments which I command you today, to love the Lord your God and serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul, [14] then I will give you the rain for your land in its season, the early rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your grain, your new wine, and your oil.

Your storehouse shall be full. You will enjoy new wine. You will see increase. Welcome to the outpouring of congratulations.

Be blessed.

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Feedback

This devotional has really enhanced my development and growth in faith, I look forward to it everyday. It is spiritual tonic to me. Thank you so much for allowing God to use you.

- PST JEMIDE

I always look forward to reading the Compass devotional each morning, It has been fueling me on my journey of faith, there is always a word for me amidst the letters

- ADEDIWURA AFOLABI

This devotional has been the one of truth and practicality, dealing especially with the matters of the heart and Christian attitude.

I must say that every time I read the ATOM Daily Word it is always timely. Speaking to my current situation or to a matter I am involved in.

God bless the set man with more wisdom and Grace.

- ADEBIMPE ADENIRAN FUNMILAYO, LAGOS.

I am an eighteen year old girl who has been using the compass devotional for over six months now. I've been blessed immensely and the devotional has contributed greatly to my growth as a child of God.

May the oil upon the lives of all those making this a success never run dry.

Thank you so much.

- BOLUWATIFE

Thank you Pastor Temiloluwa for allowing the Lord to use you in a dynamic way in teaching His Word and Principles too.

You reminded me of Dr Monroe.

I have been greatly humbled and blessed by your teachings accompanied by personal experiences which you share generously to help us.

I could remember at some point when my relationship with my wife was quite critical, I dread reading the Compass Devotional because your words often come to change my mind or perspective on the matter.

I deeply appreciate your ministries and I'm greatly blessed by your balance approach to the scripture.

More Grace and Coverage in Jesus Mighty Name!

I've really been blessed by the daily devotion. I came across it through my friend **OMOLOLA**. It was the period of teaching "Stay in Joy no matter what".

I was elevated and encouraged because it was really a tough period for me I was battling with a whole lot in my home, Marriage and life. I was having suicide thoughts and depression. I felt my relationship with God weakening cos it was so thick around me until I read **stay in Joy no matter what**.

And it has helped me tremendously in shaping most of my decisions that has to do with destiny and all. Thank you sir and ma for being a great blessing tool.

The devotional has helped to deepened my faith, I have found encouragement, Growing in relationship with God and people.

God bless you.

Thank you for this and more always. We always look forward to God's word and instruction through your devotionals. This has kept us in shape and in check.

Please don't loose strength sir, you are blessing lives daily by the grace of God over your life sir.

God bless and Renew your strength greatly sir. We say thank you



KEEP A JOURNAL OF DIVINE DEALINGS

Text: Joshua 14:6 NIV

Now the people of Judah approached Joshua at Gilgal, and Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite said to him, "You know what the LORD said to Moses the man of God at Kadesh Barnea about you and me.

When the Lord told me that I would be heading to Eruwa for ministry, I prepared a simple document of my journey from 2006 to 2011, when I was to respond to the call of God. I had an update on everything he had continuously said about the ministry, with time stamps on each of them.

A dear aunt whom I knew loved me and we had been having conversations about my legal practice and the area of specialization I would focus on, saw the document and said, "Temi, you prepared documents like a lawyer with so many details of God's encounter, how on earth does one argue against this? I have no response o". I smiled.

One of the spiritual disciplines that you must have is that of journaling. Keep a record of lessons from your devotion, instructions from the Lord via dreams and visions, encounters with ministers of the gospel and significant moments.

First, if men did not keep records of their encounters and journey with the Lord as moved by the Spirit of the Lord, we would not have the bible as it is today. As a matter of fact, we have the entire book of Revelation because John, the beloved, was instructed to "Write".

Revelation 1:19 NLT

"Write down what you have seen—both the things that are now happening and the things that will happen.

Second, your encounters on the journey become very useful the day you would be standing before the goliath of destiny fulfillment- fear, doubt or discouragement! You will dig out your book of memories and encounters and say without a doubt that this Goliath will be like one of them.

Third, it is proof of your seriousness. It shows

your journey with the Lord. If you have to convince your parents, spouse or loved ones at any point in time, you would sound convincing and not confusing. Traceable and trackable encounters made it easy for Saul to allow David to face Goliath.

Fourth, documentation also brings clarity. You can track your dealings with the Lord. It makes it easy to communicate the vision so those who are to run with you can see it clearly.

Habakkuk 2:2 NLT

Then the Lord said to me, "Write my answer plainly on tablets, so that a runner can carry the correct message to others.

It helps your faith journey also. There are answers you seek today locked up in journals and sermon notes of yesteryear. What if I did not have them?

If Jeremiah did not write, what would Daniel have read that would have pushed him to intercession for the deliverance of Israel from captivity?

Keep a journal of divine dealings. They become your smooth stones the day you need one.

What if Isaiah did not keep a record?

What if Dr Luke did not keep a record?

They did not know they were giving us a living and breathing book. Personal journals have become scriptures to another generation.

Do you keep a record?

CONFESSION

I pay attention to God's dealings in my life. I have an awareness of God's purpose and plans for me.

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HOW TO SURVIVE DRY SEASONS

Text: Jeremiah 30:19 NIV

From them will come songs of thanksgiving and the sound of rejoicing. I will add to their numbers, and they will not be decreased; I will bring them honor, and they will not be disdained.

We were excited that our trip to the well would come to an end, and yes, it certainly did. Father dug a well right behind the house. However, our excitement was seasonal. Why? Our well dried up once the rainy season was over. As soon as the dry season arrived, we had to go back to the well.

Today, the compound has a functional borehole, and whether it is the rainy or dry season, there is a supply of water.

Friend, if you run out of steam and inspiration in tough times, do not blame the season; blame your depth. If you dig deeper, you will get supplies.

There are seasonal supplies. There is a joy that is induced and driven by things. Once things are happening that show progress, you are happy.

There is a joy that is in and out of season. The flow is bigger than the season. That was the kind of joy that the disciples caught. They were being persecuted yet they had a unique supply of joy.

So, they brought the apostles back in and had them severely beaten. They ordered them never again to speak in the name of Jesus and then let them go. The apostles left there rejoicing, thrilled that God had considered them worthy to suffer disgrace for the name of Jesus. And nothing stopped them!

Acts 5:40-42 TPT

That was the joy that Paul encountered with the Macedonian Church. It was not a seasonal flow. It was a massive flow that nothing could place a limit on.

Beloved ones, we must tell you about the grace God poured out upon the churches of Macedonia. For even during a season of severe difficulty and tremendous suffering, they became even more filled with joy. From the depths of their extreme poverty, super-abundant joy overflowed into an act of extravagant generosity.

2 Corinthians 8:1-2 TPT

If you get moody when things go south, you need to get deeper. There is a depth you touch that nothing can hinder the flow of joy. Even when the enemy makes moves, you know you will make the final move. You are secure in what God is doing.

CONFESSION

My joy is not regulated by circumstances. The Lord is my defender. I rejoice always.

Day 3
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FRIENDSHIP, FAMILIARITY AND DESTINY MATTERS

Text: 2 Corinthians 5:16 NIV

So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer.

A dear sister and friend of mine asked me years ago, "Do you know this pastor?" I did not know the person. She said to me, "Pastor Temi, I think the two of you should be friends". That was all she said. I thought it was one of those friendly conversations, and I did not take any action about it- no praying, no reaching out, no deliberate steps. I just let it slide.

About six years after this conversation, the relationship between the pastor and I took new dimensions. I began to observe and I learnt so much from him in all regards- ministry, mentoring and marriage.

Now, my only regret is that I did not take the counsel of my friend and sister seriously earlier. I just always kept imagining how it would have been if I had taken her counsel more seriously.

What happens when the turnaround you need is in the mouth of a friend? Would familiarity make you undiscerning? Would closeness affect the weight you place on their words and counsel?

Listen, beloved: Moses was a very anointed man of God. God himself mentioned that he speaks with Moses face to face.

Numbers 12:6-8 NLT

[6] And the Lord said to them, "Now listen to what I say: "If there were prophets among you, I, the Lord, would reveal myself in visions. I would speak to them in dreams. [7] But not with my servant Moses. Of all my house, he is the one I trust. [8] I speak to him face to face, clearly, and not in riddles! He sees the Lord as he is. So why were you not afraid to criticize my servant Moses?"

Moses should get all his answers directly from the Lord. Am I right? Moses was so high up in the realms of the Spirit that he should not need anyone to show him what to do.

But have you heard of Hobab before? Hobab was Zipporah's brother. There was a time that Moses needed Hobab's help:

Numbers 10:29 NLT

One day, Moses said to his brother-in-law, Hobab son of Reuel the Midianite, "We are on our way to the place the Lord promised us, for he said, 'I will give it to you.' Come with us and we will treat you well, for the Lord has promised wonderful blessings for Israel!"

What was Hobab's response?

Numbers 10:30 NLT

But Hobab replied, "No, I will not go. I must return to my own land and family."

Do you know why Moses needed Hobab's help?

Numbers 10:31 NLT

"Please don't leave us," Moses pleaded. "You know the places in the wilderness where we should camp. Come, be our guide."

Moses, whom the Lord spoke to and he saw a way through the Red Sea, is telling Hobab, "Please, be our guide through the wilderness". I thought it should just be about the pillars of fire and cloud.

Moses understood something that we should also acknowledge: the help that God has deposited in the relationships he has placed around you. Do not be so familiar that you are blind to it. Do not be so over-spiritual that you are undiscerning. Do not be proud that you dismiss great counsel because it came from a friend.

What godly counsels have you taken lightly? Would you re-examine them?

May you not realize too late what the Lord has deposited in your friends.

CONFESSION

I discern God-ordained relationships on time. I enjoy the gift of men.

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TAKE NEW TERRITORIES PROPHETICALLY

Text: Deuteronomy 26:9 NKJV

He has brought us to this place and has given us this land, "a land flowing with milk and honey".

For a while this year, we decided to spend time praying for the influence of the church to extend to one of the sectors of our community. It had been a battle for almost four years. We took it seriously this year in intercession.

A few weeks into interceding, the barriers began to crumble one after the other. We began to see tangible results in that area. Folks began to come to church and get serious about discipleship in the church also.

Friends, prophetic fulfilment follows prayerful commitment. If we are not committed to praying, we are not ready to see the fulfilment of the prophetic.

You cannot possess new territories by simply wishing for them. You take possession first in intercession. Intercession must birth action.

When Moses was wrapping up his work as the leader of Israel, he said to them what the Lord said to him:

"Beginning today I will make people throughout the earth terrified because of you. When they hear reports about you, they will tremble with dread and fear."

Deuteronomy 2:25 NLT

We definitely cannot doubt that Moses picked those words in prayer. He was a praying man.

Those words were fulfilled in the days of Joshua. Joshua sent spies into Jericho and Rahab made a confession that shows prophecies birthed in prayer will always be fulfilled.

"I know the Lord has given you this land. We are all afraid of you. Everyone in the land is living in terror. No wonder our hearts have melted in fear! No one has the courage to fight after hearing such things. For the Lord your God is the supreme God of the heavens above and the earth below. Joshua 2:9, 11 NLT

Dear believer, take prayer seriously. Use prayer to build a bridge between the prophetic and its fulfilment. Use prayer as the steering wheel for a generation that you will necessarily not be a part of. Pray until you see what looks so hard and difficult become possible.

Pray to give the divine permission to permeate the affairs of humanity. Leave nothing to chance. Study data, discern patterns, but do not explain them away. Take it to God in prayer.

Today, every barrier is removed. Your influence is enlarged in the name of Jesus.

CONFESSION

I possess all my possessions by the power of God. I overcome every obstacle to inheritance. My inheritance flows to me.

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DON'T STRUGGLE WHEN THERE IS HELP

Text: Psalm 46:1 NLT

God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble.

I had a bottle of freshly squeezed juice, and Olive loved it after tasting it. She wanted to have more but the bottle was tightly shut. She began to struggle with the cover.

Every time I reached out to her so I could uncover and help her, she held tightly to the bottle and kept crying. When I collected it with the intent to open it, she protested a bit. She did not know that help was available for her.

When she realised eventually that I was trying to open for her, she was full of joy.

When you got born-again, you came under the covering of God's grace and divine help. Submission to Christ gives you the edge in life's battle.

The Gibeonites came to surrender as a nation to Joshua and the Israelites. Five nations came to attack Gibeon because of what they had done.

Gibeon had mighty soldiers but guess what, they sent to Joshua that they were under siege and asked for help.

The men of Gibeon sent word to Joshua camped at Gilgal, "Don't let us down now! Come up here quickly! Save us! Help us! All the Amorite kings who live up in the hills have ganged up on us." Joshua 10:6 MSG

The strong need help too. Do not keep relying on your own strength when the help of God is available to you.

You cannot be struggling when help is available for you in His Word. Do not try to "run things" by yourself when you can run them first with God. He wants to show you what to do.

That son of the prophet lived and died as a debtor because he did not see or maximize the help that was available. Elisha had always been there.

You must understand that your relationship with God brings you an advantage in crisis- be at peace. Put your mind at rest.

We struggle because we do not know how much God wants to help us. His hand of help is constantly stretched towards you, but do you see it?

When you know the volume of help available to you, you stay at peace. Gibeonites knew that with Israel as their "covering", nothing could defeat them.

The name of the Lord is a strong tower. The righteous run into it and they are saved.

You are helped by the Lord!

CONFESSION

I do not rely on my strength. My help comes from the Lord. Divine help locates me.

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FAVOUR COMES AS OPEN WINDOWS

Text: Psalm 90:17 NLT

May the favour of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us— yes, establish the work of our hands.

Late last year, in the middle of making a major decision about a purchase, I got a unique opportunity – the seller brought down the price by about twenty-five per cent.

While trying to make a final decision about it, I heard my father in the faith teaching and he said, “Favour comes as open windows and if you do not grab it, you lose it”.

By the time I made a decision to purchase, the seller had forgotten she had given such a huge discount. But God granted favour eventually.

You are blessed and highly favoured. You must carry that consciousness into everything you do. Make the bold ask. Give them the opportunity to say No.

When asked what you want to pay for the land, mention what the Lord has dropped in your heart and what you can afford even when it seems ridiculous. Let them laugh but give them the chance to say No! But refuse to be limited because you feel your offer is too small.

Be sensitive when doors of favour open for you. Someone said to me this year while we spoke about the purchase in question that, “Pastor, it almost feels like it was stolen. It is cheap compared to the value”. I had a good smile.

Timidity and fear will shut you out from

the windows that favour will open for you. Do not sit down and expect favour to work. Favour is not for the timid or the lazy. Favour is not for daydreamers.

Look at Ruth, a foreigner and a widow who refused to live at the mercy of people's pittance to herself and Naomi:

So Ruth the Moabitess said to Naomi, “Please let me go to the field, and glean heads of grain after him in whose sight I may find favour.” And she said to her, “Go, my daughter.” Ruth 2:2 NKJV

Ruth would not sit down and walk in pity. No! If they told her “No” in one field, she walks to another until someone recognises that she carries favour on her head.

This season, favour will work for you! The field will produce for you. You will recognize your windows of opportunity. You will maximize it.

CONFESSION

I am sensitive to open doors. I discern my moment of favour. I am favour from above.

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THE WEIGHT OF TIME

Text: Psalm 27:4 NIV

One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.

I was in conversation with an elderly person, and I was deeply stirred by his passion for what he does and the push he gives to it. I was forced to ask him, “Daddy, why are you running with so much passion and so relentlessly?”

His answer was instructive. He said to me, “My brother, I have wasted so much time earlier. I know how much time I wasted as a young person”. It struck me so hard.

Beloved, we are in a battle of time. The greatest battle of your life will be a battle for time. Why is this so?

“So, rejoice, you heavens, and every heavenly being! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil, has come down to you with great fury because he knows his time is short.” Revelation 12:12 TPT

The devil knows that he has a little time. He does all he can with a sense of urgency. And knowing that well, he seeks to have your time to himself. An idle hand (someone who lacks a sense of timing) is still the devil’s workshop.

The devil wants you to indulge. But the Psalm teaches us that we should pray for wisdom to number our days and deal prudently with the time God has given us.

The prayer of youth must be “Lord, satisfy me early with good things”. The prayer of a person who wasted his youth will be “Renew my youth like that of an eagle”. A person who wasted his youth will be looking for compensation.

Have you ever noticed that the moment you begin to have time for your spiritual growth,

something always seems to come up? Getting on your knees is a battle that the devil wants you to lose. Opening the word to study is a battle the devil wants you to lose. Someone reading this is already losing that battle.

The devil does not mind you getting promoted at work as long as you would have lost the time needed to focus on your spirit.

It is a battle for time. It is a battle for your soul. The highest transaction in the spirit is a transaction of souls. Jesus told us, “What would it profit a man if he gains the world but loses his soul?”

And John, in the book of Revelation, mentioned that the merchants of this world and the system of Babylon trade in the souls of men. It is a major part of the list of merchandise.

“Quantities of the finest cinnamon, spice, incense, frankincense, and myrrh, wine, olive oil, wheat, and the finest flour, sheep, cattle, horses, and their four-wheeled carriages, and the trafficking of the bodies and souls of people.”

Revelation 18:13 TPT

It is a battle for your soul, and it will be won by the person who gets your time. Whoever gets your time has a grip on your soul.

Beloved, who has your time?

Friend, who has your soul?

CONFESSION

My soul is for Jesus. I do not trade with the Devil. I do not pay attention to time wasters.

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I DID NOT KNOW HIM...

Text: Ezekiel 18:4 NKJV

"Behold, all souls are Mine; The soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is Mine; The soul who sins shall die."

I was having an afternoon nap when that name dropped into my heart. I did not know the person but I became restless. I left the hostel and headed to the faculty.

I asked my first colleague, whom I met in the faculty, "Do you know anyone by so and so name?" I was shocked when he said, "He just left me now".

I told him to kindly tell the person that we should see before the day was over. We saw that night and he committed his life to following Christ- he was a brilliant chap from an elite background.

Friends, God will go the extra mile for a soul. The salvation of souls is paramount in the divine agenda. It is the desire of God that men should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth.

Your wealth cannot save you. Zacchaeus was a wealthy tax collector but when he encountered Jesus, salvation entered his home.

Good work cannot save you. Cornelius was religious. He gave to the poor but he was still unsaved. God would go the extra mile for a soul.

Jesus was never too tired when a soul was involved. He reached out to the Woman from Samaria in spite of cultural and gender bias. He crossed lines to save a dying soul.

Souls are important to God. You are important to God. Jesus came to seek and to save the lost.

Salvation is a total package- it is redemption from darkness, deliverance from sin, freedom from sickness, divorce from smallness and access to God.

A man who is not saved is not safe. He is spiritually dead. And if such a man does not meet Jesus Christ and dies physically, he will end up dead eternally.

God has gone the extra mile by dying for your sin. Would you go the extra mile by giving your life to God? A saved man is a safe man!

Are you saved?

CONFESSION

I enjoy the gift of salvation. My life is sold out to Christ Jesus. I give attention to soul winning.

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HOW TO GET THE BEST FROM A SPIRITUAL MEETING (1)

Text: Isaiah 55:11 NKJV

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

A dear pastor was teaching many years ago and I heard him say, “A loud Amen is a venison for the soul”. I did not understand him fully until I became a pastor.

There was a day I began out saying blessings over the church and the atmosphere was not receptive. I stopped and moved on to something else. Later, I had to teach my people how their responses made me switch from speaking blessings to other things.

The response of the people can limit the flow of the blessing. My spiritual father said once, “There are places I go and the response of the people draws virtue with hunger. And there are places I go that I just drop one or two thoughts and I leave. The atmosphere was not great”.

The minister of the gospel has to prepare to bless the people but the people also must be prepared to receive the blessing. Miracles happen when the door of utterance opens to the minister and the door of faith is opened in the people. The door of faith can trigger unusual utterances.

When you hear a minister say, “I did not intend to go this direction but I sense the Lord would have me say to someone...” Smile and rejoice. Intercession and expectation are pulling on the anointing. A pastor can prepare a message but it is The Word from the Lord that changes life.

See this scripture:

“When you hear the priests give one long blast on the rams’ horns, have all the people shout as loud as they can. Then the walls of the town will collapse, and the people can charge straight into the town.”

Joshua 6:5 NLT

The priests would give a long blast but all the people must shout as loud as they can, then expectations would become miracles. What if the priests gave a blast but the people did not respond? What if the people give a cold response?

Do you see what we do in church now?

Every minister knows that in an atmosphere of joy and expectation soaked in faith, anything can happen but once the atmosphere is not right, even a great anointed preacher will struggle. It happened to Jesus in his hometown!

When you get to church, come in with an atmosphere of joy! What if we all go to church with an atmosphere rather than expecting an atmosphere?

CONFESSION

I am not an onlooker or spectator in God's presence. I receive every declaration from God's servants. The word of the Lord settles in me.

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HOW TO GET THE BEST FROM A SPIRITUAL MEETING (2)

Text: Ezra 7:10 KJV

For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgements.

Every time we go for the monthly meeting with my Spiritual Father, I take time out to pray for him. I back it up with a text message appreciating him for his labour over our life and ministry. I end it by mentioning how expectant I am.

My dear pastor and father said to me recently also that “When I came to Eruwa, I knew that virtue left him”. I had to confess that I taught the workforce how to receive the Word of the Lord from ministers. They became so hungry and ready.

Friend, when you enter into a service and you feel dry and not impacted, before you look at the preacher or worship minister, take a seat and examine your preparation also.

Most times, we come to church and spiritual meetings with the heart of a consumer and not the mind of a contributor. If you do not see yourself as part of the process for a great meeting, you will go in there most likely without expectation and with the mindset of a spectator.

Do you know the Bible says that when you are prepared for a meeting, you will always have something to bring along? When you go into a meeting prayed up, it is easy to hit the overflow.

“What should you do then, brothers and sisters? When you come together, each one has a song, has a lesson, has a revelation, has a tongue, has an interpretation. Let all these things

be done for the strengthening of the church.” 1 Cor. 14:26

If you come to a meeting without anything to offer, you cannot get the best from a meeting. Do you know how powerful the connection is when the song leader raises a song that blessed you the previous night? You overflow.

What happens when the Word comes to confirm what you just studied? You are super elated.

But how do you expect this to happen when you have not spent time with the Word and prayed in the Spirit privately before you come for the meeting? There will be no overflow!

This season, before you go to church, ask yourself, “What am I bringing?” It changes everything for you. You become more connected and not just a mere consumer leaving service full of complaints.

CONFESSION

I am not a consumer Christian. I will make efforts to prepare my heart before the Lord. I am blessed in the Lord's presence.

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HOW TO GET THE BEST FROM A SPIRITUAL MEETING (3)

Text: Isaiah 2:3 NKJV

Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths..."

Weeks before we went for the monthly ministers' meeting with my spiritual father, I had to spend time investing in prayers. I had set my heart on a particular matter. It had troubled me for a while.

We had a great moment at the meeting. I gave attention to every word. And it was as though my Spiritual Father was speaking directly to me. Finally, when he was done and about to leave the altar, he paused for a while and asked, "Is Rev. Ola, my son from Eruwa here?" As they say, the rest is history. My heart got what it focused on.

One of the things you must learn to do is work on your expectations before a meeting and your attention in a meeting. Your expectation raises your appetite. Your attention draws the attention of the Lord to you also.

If you enter a meeting without an expectation, you have short-changed yourself. It is like playing a game of football without a goal post. You will dribble all over the place, but you cannot point to any specific impact.

If you allow your attention to be stolen in a meeting, you would have disconnected yourself from a huge flow of impact.

Think about the man at Lystra. He was lame from birth. But he listened to Paul preaching and got healed by the Word of the Lord:

"In Lystra, Paul and Barnabas encountered a man who from birth had never walked, for he was crippled in his feet. He listened carefully to Paul as he preached. All of a sudden, Paul discerned that this man had faith in his heart to be healed. So he

shouted, "You! In the name of our Lord Jesus, stand up on your feet!" The man instantly jumped to his feet, stood for the first time in his life, and walked!"
Acts 14:8-10 TPT

Your expectation and attention give direction to the anointing of God. The woman with the issue of blood came in from behind with an expectation and touched Jesus; she drew virtue out of him.

Many were touching Jesus casually but got nothing. They were touching without an expectation. Expectation gives direction to the anointing.

Check the meetings you have been and it seems as though the minister was speaking to you directly, check the height of your expectation and the level of your attention.

Let's stop this indifference towards spiritual gatherings. Do not let your phone distract you. Keep it away. Put your attention on the Word. The Word will turn and place attention on your expectations.

There is power available in every meeting that the Lord has called. You must ensure you are not there casually. Be there with consciousness.

CONFESSION

I have an expectant heart in God's presence. The word of the Lord comes for me. I do not give room to distractions.

Day 12
November
2025

INSIST ON SOMETHING BETTER

Text: James 1:17 NLT

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

We travelled out of base and had to lodge in a hotel. The moment we checked into the hotel, I saw some faults in the room. I told Irewamiri “This does not look like what we paid for”.

We made some complaints and we managed the first night. The next day, I refused and asked for something better or I got a refund. We got another room- far bigger and better than where we were.

We were both like, “So there was something better and we were settling for less”.

Beloved, if you do not insist on what is better, you will stay in the same spot. Jesus paid for better promises by His blood. You must insist on what has been paid for.

“But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises” Hebrews 8:6

Look around you- Does everything look like what Jesus has paid for? Does your health look like it? Does your marriage look like it? Does your calling and

ministry look like it? Whatever does not look like it is your ignorance at least or the devil at worst trying to play a quick one on you. Refuse substandard. Jesus paid for the premium.

How do you insist on it? Abraham is an amazing example.

“He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform Romans 4:20,21

First, hold on to the promise of God as revealed by the Word of God. Reject unbelief.

Second, strengthen your faith by giving God all the glory. Third, rely on the faithfulness and ability of God to do whatever He says He will do.

CONFESSIO

I do not settle for inferiority. I do not settle for mediocrity. The Lord has the best for me.

Day 13
November
2025

DO NOT LET IT SETTLE IN YOUR SPIRIT

Text: Philippians 2:5 KJV

I pull down mindsets that are not of Christ. I think in the scriptures. I hold on to the thoughts and words of God concerning my life.

I was in a conversation with an elderly one and he referred to a cultural adage. I smiled and asked him whether there was a biblical backup for that adage. He could not find any but wanted to still justify the adage. I gave up.

There are things you have accepted that have shaped your thinking and way of life that are not necessarily scriptural. Such thoughts unknowingly have grown to become mindsets.

One of the things that can open a man up to demonic limitations are mindsets that have grown over the years to become strongholds. The devil sees the loophole in such thought patterns and capitalises on it for his operations.

There are people who in a bid to teach contentment have transferred low self-esteem and complacency. They become boastful of "their perceived contentment" without realising that the devil has built a stronghold of poverty and smallness using the leverage that complacency has given to him.

Paul warned the Corinthian Church about strongholds:

For although we live in the natural realm, we don't wage a military campaign employing human weapons, using manipulation to achieve our aims. Instead, our spiritual weapons are energized with divine power to

effectively dismantle the defences behind which people hide. We can demolish every deceptive fantasy that opposes God and break through every arrogant attitude that is raised in defiance of the true knowledge of God. We capture, like prisoners of war, every thought and insist that it bow in obedience to the Anointed One. 2 Corinthians 10:3-5 TPT

Did you see the description of a stronghold? The defence behind which people hide.

Today, in the name of Jesus, every barrier that has been created mentally that is not according to the Spirit and Testimony of Jesus is pulled down. Every thought and imagination bows to the obedience of Christ.

CONFESSION

I am an ardent seeker of God. I am passionate about God's will and purposes for my life. I prioritise God in all my ways.

Day 14
November
2025

WATER, BLOOD AND PAIN

Text: Romans 8:18 NIV

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

I looked at my youngest daughter and said to my wife, "I remember that day in the labour room. I can never forget". It was a mixture of water, blood and pain. The deep groans that followed the final push are well ingrained in my mind to date.

One of the things a believer must constantly be grateful for is what Jesus did for him on the cross. If you take your eyes off his sacrifice, your feet may slide off the path of consecration.

One of the ways we endure the walk of faith is by the seeing of faith. The seeing of faith begins with a focus on what Jesus has done. Remember, Jesus is the author and the finisher of our faith. You cannot master this walk of faith if you do not read Jesus Christ.

A believer who forgets the sacrifice of Christ will soon begin to misbehave.

And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Hebrews 12:1-2 NLT

Just like Peter, when we keep our eyes on Christ, the waters cannot drown us but once we take our eyes off him, the waters overwhelm our walk and we can begin to drown.

We are in trying times. Our eyes must be on Christ. We are in times when the believer must walk by faith and not by sight. We are in times when you must not bypass the cross and all it represents.

There is a birthing that will come.

There is a delivery that will happen.

It will be through the mix of the water, blood and the groans of labour.

Spend time with the Word.

Stay in the flow with the Spirit.

Do not joke with intercession.

CONFESSIO N

My eyes are fixed on Jesus. The strength of the Lord carries me through.

Day 15
November
2025

LIVING ABOVE THE SPIRIT OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Text: Genesis 26:2 NKJV

Then the LORD appeared to him and said: "Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land of which I shall tell you.

One of my teachers said to me, "You do not operate as though you are in Eruwa at all. You have succeeded in living above the spirit of the environment." Many times, people step into our meetings and say, "We cannot believe there is a church like this here".

First, every location has a spirit that is prevalent therein. In the days of Jesus, it was obvious that mediocrity was prevalent in Nazareth; or what else would make someone say, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"

"Nazareth!" exclaimed Nathanael. "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" "Come and see for yourself," Philip replied. John 1:46 NLT

Second, it means that even though there is a prevalent spirit in an environment, it is possible to live above it. Jesus broke the jinx of what people have always known about Nazareth. His profile stunned those who only saw the stereotype. He set a new standard.

Jesus did not just set the standard; he became the standard. They began to call him by the name of Nazareth at a point.

Then asked he them again, Whom

seek ye? And they said, Jesus of Nazareth. John 18:7 KJV

No matter where you are at the moment, always settle it within you that there is more. Insist that you will never settle for less or the culture of that location or office if the location or office does not promote the spirit of excellence, make sure you do not settle for less. Live above it.

Travel to places that challenge you to be better than where you are at the moment. Press in for something more. Climb higher but refuse to settle for less than excellence. Give your best at the level you are in.

CONFESSION

I stay in the divinely assigned location for divine assignments. I am not limited by barriers around me.

Day 16
November
2025

“SON, THAT IS NOT A DISADVANTAGE”

Text: Job 28:10 NKJV

He cuts out channels in the rocks, and his eye sees every precious thing.

The first four years of Pastoring in Eruwa came with mixed emotions. Church would grow in numbers and I would be so glad and excited. The energy was high. People were being trained in the ways of the Lord.

But then, transition season would come, people we just trained in six months or at most a year would have their stay in the city come to an end. There was a time that as a church of about 50 people, we had to send forth 14 active members. It was tough.

But one day, while brooding in the midst of this, my Father in the faith told me, “That is not a disadvantage”. He went ahead to unveil the mind of God and told me what to do. From then on, my attitude changed and everything changed.

One of the prayers you must pray is that God should open your eyes to see what He sees. There is a “seeing of faith”. You see the substance in what others call hopelessness.

There are times when those who see clearly by faith can impart the same to you. That is why you must be selective with those you keep company with.

When the servant of Elisha got up one morning, he saw the mountain surrounded by soldiers. He was afraid but Elisha saw what he did not see and was unruffled. Elisha prayed for the servant to see.

Then Elisha prayed, “O Lord, open

his eyes and let him see!” The Lord opened the young man’s eyes, and when he looked up, he saw that the hillside around Elisha was filled with horses and chariots of fire.
2 Kings 6:17 NLT

When you see as God sees and sees what He is showing you, you will enter your rest. Faith is not an assumption. Faith is not risk. Faith is rest in what God has shown you.

Do not pretend or package if you have not heard or seen. You are only calculative and smart. Press in. Ask for revelation. It will surely come.

That situation that you are going through now, are you sure it is a disadvantage or you have just not seen it rightly?

CONFESS I O N

My eyes are open to opportunities. I am not impeded by barriers. I have the eyes that see.

Day 17
October
2025

CHARACTER VS. REPUTATION

Text: Jeremiah 17:10 NLT

But I, the LORD, search all hearts and examine secret motives. I give all people their due rewards, according to what their actions deserve."

I was taking care of certain places in the house one morning. As I swept, I began to lift up and shift bookshelves, chairs and photo frames. As I did, I would find dirt tucked in behind them.

The Holy Spirit began to teach me about reputation and character. He said to me, "All those areas that people would see when they step in, which are always clean, are a picture of reputation.

He then added that all the dirt hidden away nicely behind shelves, chairs and frames is the picture of character.

Have you ever had a visitor come to your room before and you pack all those clothes into your wardrobe while the room looks so clean? The clean room is your reputation. The closed wardrobe is your character.

A lot of people are under pressure to keep up a reputation while they have things hidden away in their closed wardrobes.

You need friends who see beyond your clean room who can lift up those chairs of comfort and shelves of compromise and open up your wardrobe of performance exposing the areas you have tucked away diligently behind the mask of religion and at times, spirituality.

Saul wanted to play cover up with Samuel but Samuel asked, "What is the sound of the bleating of goats and rams that I hear?"

When you plan to cover up your fraud and character flaws, may the goats bleat and send a message that will help preserve your soul.

Do you have friends who challenge you about your business ethics? Do you have a circle that pulls you back when ethical lines have become blurry?

Is there someone close to you who can call you to order when the smile at that lady says more than "Good Morning"? Do you preach up a storm but then hide pornographic links in password-protected folders?

Who are you behind the shelf?

Who are you in the closed wardrobe?

Who are you when and where no one sees you?

And endurance develops strength of character, **and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation.**
Romans 5:4 NLT

And I pray for you:

May you always be filled with the fruit of your salvation—the righteous character produced in your life by Jesus Christ—for this will bring much glory and praise to God. Philippians 1:11 NLT

Do not lose with character while you win with reputation. It is a huge loss.

CONFESSION

I do not cover up what destroys. I grow in strength of character. I have the mind of Christ.

Day 18
November
2025

HARDER EFFORTS CANNOT REPLACE OBEDIENCE

Text: 1 Samuel 15:22 NIV

But Samuel replied: "Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the LORD? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams."

I was speaking with two ladies when the Lord dropped a word in my heart for one of them. I did not know who in particular when I got the word. It was simple:

God said, "No matter how much you have invested in the wrong relationship, turn back now."

One of them later confided that she knew she was in the wrong relationship but did not know where to even start. It had been going on for so many years; the man was not even a child of God. She cried, but I am not sure if she had the courage to obey God.

Amaziah was preparing for war. He took stock of his military strength. He realised that he needed to hire mercenaries for the battle.

"He also paid about 7,500 pounds of silver to hire 100,000 experienced fighting men from Israel" 2 Chronicles 25:6 NLT

After such a huge investment, a word came from the Lord:

But a man of God came to him and said, "Your Majesty, do not hire troops from Israel, for the Lord is not with Israel. He will not help those people of Ephraim! If you let them go with your troops into battle, you will be defeated by the enemy no matter how well you fight. God will overthrow you, for he has the power to help you or to trip you up."
2 Chronicles 25:7-8 NLT

You do not win battles by personal struggles but by divine alignment. No matter how much you struggle without divine backing, it will end up as a loss.

Amaziah asked a question that we would all have asked:

Amaziah asked the man of God, "But what about all that silver I paid to hire the army of Israel?"

The response of the man of God is the reassurance that we all need when we need to obey God but the flesh does not find it comfortable.

The man of God replied, "The Lord is able to give you much more than this!" 2 Chronicles 25:9 NLT

Friends, no matter what you have to say bye to, God can give you much more.

Say bye to that ungodly relationship; he can bless you with someone better.

Say bye to that ungodly business; he can bless you with better ideas and ways of making a profit.

Harder efforts cannot replace obedience.

CONFESSION

I do not despise divine instruction. I detach from what God is against.

Day 19
November
2025

IF YOU WILL GROW SPIRITUALLY...

Text: 1 Peter 2:2 NLT

Like newborn babies, you must crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation. Cry out for this nourishment.

In my second year at the university, I woke up one night because I had a test in the morning. I picked up my books to read, and at that moment, it struck me like light: "Have you ever woken up to pray, study or fellowship with the Lord?" That day, I decided nothing would ever come before my devotion to the Lord.

(Kindly note that I was not an unserious student. I was the type of student who drew red lines in my notes for personal study. I was the 'I will be in the library after class' kind of student. This is not to promote laziness).

You cannot grow spiritually when there is no desire for growth. Desire is the prerequisite for pursuit. Without pursuit, things will remain on the spot. Certainly, whatever stays in a spot will end up depreciating.

Jesus, our Lord, puts it this way: "Do not just seek the kingdom. Seek the kingdom first".

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.
Matthew 6:33 KJV

If you will grow, do not just enjoy God's presence in your life; make sure you also make him your priority.

God gave you time. The devil wants you to waste it. God wants you to maximize it.

God blessed you with resources. The devil wants you to worship it. God wants

them to serve you and His purpose on earth.

If you will grow spiritually, you must settle on what your priority is. There is a measure where you add God to your timetable. There is a measure of growth where you hand your timetable over to God. There is a measure of growth where you ask God for His timetable and you add yourself to it.

Are you worshipping things?

Are God and His kingdom indeed your priority?

If your priority is settled, your posture changes, and your growth path is laid out, but you must be willing to play your part.

What is your desire?

What is your priority?

CONFESSION

I prioritize God in my life. I am intentional about growth in my walk with God.

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Day 20
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THERE WILL BE NO GROWTH IF YOU HATE THE TRUTH

Text: Proverbs 12:1 AMP

Whoever loves instruction and discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof and correction is stupid.

A dear brother of mine called me after a meeting and said, "I need to tell you something". He mentioned that I kept repeating a particular phrase that was not honourable enough especially when addressing people I was meant to honour. It was a dear teacher who pointed it out to him.

First, I expressed my gratitude to him for watching my back. I was grateful for the feedback.

Second, I committed to addressing the issue and requested that he inform me if I continued to make the same error.

Finally, I expressed my openness to further correction in any area he observed I needed to improve.

If you hate the truth, you are not willing to grow. Some people say they love feedback but it only ends there. Anyone who gives honest feedback suddenly becomes your enemy.

It is a sign of poor self-esteem when you cannot accept honest feedback. Insecurity is the mother of bad attitude. If people have to walk on eggshells around you because they are not sure of what weapon you will pull out when they give feedback, you are not ready for growth.

If you take pride in the fact that no one can correct you or give you feedback, you are not ready for growth. Do not pay lip service to what you are meant to practice wholeheartedly.

Take a quick examination:

Do you have people who can correct you? If you do, who are they? Make a list.

When last did they correct you or give you honest feedback? If it has been a while, you need to call for an appraisal call. It could be that there is already a gap in the relationship or they have observed your poor reception of feedback.

What is your attitude when they correct you? Do you take it with joy? Do you turn the issue back on them? Do you begin to manipulate with emotional withdrawal or self-pity arguments?

If you always hang everything on God, the devil, and others while you absolve yourself of any form of wrong, you are not ready for growth.

Honest conversations are life changers. Can you take feedback from your spouse or it ends up in three weeks of a cold atmosphere? Repent today.

Sometimes, the promotion you need in life is delayed because of a poor attitude toward feedback and unfortunately, you have silenced those who can help with emotional intimidation, manipulation, and control. Now you claim it is spiritual warfare. No! You are the enemy. Deal with yourself first.

Let James 1:19 guide you when honest feedback is coming:

Understand [this], my beloved brethren. Let every man be quick to hear [a ready listener], slow to speak, slow to take offence and to get angry. James 1:19 AMPC

Be ready and quick to hear.

Be slow to speak.

Be slow to take offence and get angry.

Process it. Refine it. Get better.

There will be no growth if you hate the truth.

CONFESSION

*I embrace the truth. I embrace godly counsel.
I do not give room to pride.*

Day 21
November
2025

THERE IS NO GROWTH WITHOUT A ROUTINE

Text: Isaiah 50:4 NKJV

"The Lord GOD has given Me The tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak A word in season to him who is weary. He awakens Me morning by morning; He awakens My ear to hear as the learned."

We were getting the girls set one morning when Danielle said, "It has been a while since we had devotion in this house. Daddy, why?" I did not know how to respond. I simply said, "We will resume family devotion tomorrow".

We had become so engrossed in various activities that our established routine was abandoned. Our family devotion, once a priority, was neglected. While Irewamiri and I maintained our personal prayer lives, we failed to include the children. We no longer joke with family devotion.

First, any form of growth must involve some routine. If it grows, routine is involved. For instance, a farmer has a routine for his plants. A man running a poultry has a routine for his birds. Growth and routine go hand in hand. If you are committing to any form of growth this season, you must know that it is a commitment to routine.

Routines are like rhythms; once it is broken, the disorder is birthed. Respect those who have kept the routine of family devotion for years- your parents and grandparents. The generation that claims to be more knowledgeable is the one that is also more disorderly- in words, thoughts, and even our actions. We struggle to have personal devotion and we struggle to hold family devotion too.

Second, there is no recovery that does not involve routine. Medicine helps us clearly with this. Have you seen the way intravenous fluids (popularly called drip) work? It drops constantly and at a specific time. It keeps a rhythm. If it is rushed (no matter how much it is needed), what is meant for help can turn into another issue.

If you have been struggling with your spiritual growth, put yourself on a simple routine. Use the "drip" format. You can pray for ten minutes

every three hours (including the night). It awakens your spirit.

Do not break your patterns or routine for growth. In medicine, drugs are taken with specific patterns. When you break patterns, you make recovery tougher.

Have you placed yourself on a regiment? What will you do periodically to enhance the state of your spirit? Do not stay in weakness. Get into the Word and Prayer. It will revitalise your soul.

Do not grumble when your parents or grandparents take time at devotion. That tradition has saved lives, raised giants, sustained marriages, and birthed answers to prayers. I still remember the scriptures we read morning and night at the "family altar".

Do you still have a personal altar?

Do you have a family altar?

Remember, there is no growth without routine.

And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.
Acts 2:42 KJV

What will you be steadfast with?
What must be continuous in your life?

CONFESSION

I am diligent in seeking God daily. I maintain a vibrant spiritual altar.

Day 22
November
2025

IF YOU WILL GROW, SWITCH THE IMAGES

Text: Isaiah 51:2 NLT

Look to Abraham your father, And to Sarah who bore you; For I called him alone, And blessed him and increased him.

A dear brother shared that he grew up in a dysfunctional home and poverty. His father would take no nonsense from anyone. There was a time he took his daughter to slap an elderly person who slapped her in the neighbourhood. Thank God for the “Abigailic” move of their mum.

He recounted that any time he had the opportunity to travel to his uncle’s in another city, the ambience and atmosphere of love in the home was totally different. He saw a different kind of family. He knew that was the kind of home that he wanted. He decided to spend more time with his uncle’s family. Today, he has a great marriage and an amazing home.

Your decisions are shaped mostly by images that have become models consciously or unconsciously. The images you see have a stronger impression on you than you can ever know.

As a young boy, I would dress up in our complete traditional attire and bounce around in style saying, “I am Chief ____”. That was the image I had.

A dear son in the faith said that before he met Christ, he had a strange love for one of the foreign rappers. He began to dress like him, make his hairstyle like his, and was about to get tattoos on his body. That is the power of imagery.

All you need to do is ask yourself why you do some things you do. Your decision is driven by the images you have built.

Why did Lot choose the land around Sodom and Gomorrah? It looked like Egypt.

And Lot lifted his eyes and saw all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere (before the Lord destroyed

Sodom and Gomorrah) like the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt as you go toward Zoar.

Genesis 13:10 NKJV

It looked like the land of Egypt. Remember that he came out of Egypt wealthy. That land reminded him of Egypt. Unlike Father Abraham who had dealt with that strange desire at the altar, Lot still carried that image and desire all around.

Lust is driven by images also. If you consistently view pornography disguised as movies, music videos, skits, and jokes, you will soon notice that your mind is comfortable with nonsense.

But if you begin to behold the glory of the Lord in His Word, there will be a transformation in your life. The Word is like a mirror, the closer you get, the better you see. You will also notice things that you need to work on.

As you behold the Word, and you open up to the Spirit of God, there will be transformation for the better.

But we all, with unveiled faces, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

II Corinthians 3:18 NKJV

What images do you have?

Do you have to replace them?

CONFESSION

I pattern my life after good and godly examples. I do not inherit a dysfunctional system. My home is blessed.

Day 23
November
2025

HOW TO TREAT UNWANTED GUESTS

Text: Numbers 22:9 NLT

That night God came to Balaam and asked him, "Who are these men visiting you?"

In the early days of marriage, there was a middle-aged man (who was not even close to the family) who would knock on our door without any notice. We would always receive him with a great sense of hospitality.

His visits, however, grew more frequent and became a source of discomfort. Even when we remained silent after his knocks, he persisted. Finally, one day, I opened the door, informed him we were busy and then walked into another room, leaving him in the living room. He understood the message.

There are unwanted guests in life's journey- sickness, disappointments, manipulative men and women, difficult people who affect your mental health, amongst others.

When you see symptoms of sickness, do not accept it with pity. Do not speak words that make it feel at home. Get angry with it. Show it that it has no space in your life. Jesus paid the price and said, "It is finished".

Jesus took infirmities and sicknesses. Do not allow them to have a grip on you any longer. Speak to it. Tell it that it is not wanted in your space. Stop entertaining thoughts that give the unwanted guest wings.

There are times when unwanted guests can actually be people who are "joy stealers".

If you keep treating unwanted guests like

royalty, you will remain in the same cycle forever. You will be grumbling inside of you while trying to look good to people.

Some things you accept thinking it is humility is actually an unhealthy self-image. The inability to speak when it is not right is not a sign of a "good Christian". Call for a conversation. Speak up.

There are believers battling with a poor self-image. Your confidence is battered. You keep bearing a load that is not yours. Stop it. Ask for a conversation. Hold a conversation.

If you are a victim of sexual, domestic or emotional abuse, speak up! That is not a secret to keep. It will repeat itself as a cycle. Do not keep quiet. Even if it is a "pastor" that is the perpetrator, report. Honour is not covering for sin.

Beloved, do not entertain unwanted guests in your life. It is dangerous.

CONFESSIO

I ward off negative influences. I do not entertain what slows people down on the journey of destiny. The word of the Lord is my reality

Day 24
November
2025

WILL YOU STOP MIDWAY?

Text: 1 Kings 19:7 NKJV

And the angel of the LORD came back the second time, and touched him, and said, "Arise and eat, because the journey is too great for you."

I travelled with a dear one for a couple of days. While preparing for the return trip, he asked whether he could stop midway while I go ahead with the journey back to base.

I smiled and told him that when next I would travel with him, I would ask him if he would be going all the way or if he would stop midway.

Commitment is important in Kingdom assignment. God wants committed men. Men want commitment also. Commitment does not abandon the work midway. Commitment stays on the path, whether it is convenient or not.

Paul told Timothy that commitment is giving yourself wholly.

"Give your complete attention to these matters. Throw yourself into your tasks so that everyone will see your progress."

1 Timothy 4:15 NLT

There is nothing that is done half-heartedly that grows. Half-hearted people become a burden. John Mark abandoned Paul and Barnabas halfway on their missionary journey. His actions were the trigger of the disagreement between Paul and Barnabas.

You cannot build something permanent on a person with a temporary mindset. It is like building with borrowed blocks. What will happen when the owners begin to demand it? The work will have holes or, at worst, it will crumble totally.

If you will go with God, make up your mind to be committed to the Lord and His work. Commitment is shown in consistency. It is equally shown in loyalty. You are consistent in your work and you are loyal to the people.

Beloved, commitment is the pathway to divine rewards. If you are blessed with farmland and you plant nothing, something will still grow- it is called weeds. Commitment deals with the weeds and replaces them with seeds. And the seed is the guarantee you have for a harvest.

Stay committed from today!

CONFESSION

I am committed to my God-given vision. I will not stop halfway. I will finish my race.

Day 25
November
2025

THE POWER OF FOCUS

Text: 2 Timothy 2:4 AMP

No soldier in active service gets entangled in the [ordinary business] affairs of civilian life; [he avoids them] so that he may please the one who enlisted him to serve.

In secondary school, one of our first experiments involved using a concave lens to burn a piece of paper, which fascinated us all.

We would position the concave lens to face the sun's rays, with the paper directly beneath it. A small glow would appear on the paper, and eventually, it would start to burn. This demonstrated the immense power of focus.

Until strength is concentrated, results cannot be harvested. Once a direction is settled, the focus is next. Focus on the task. Focus on the assignment God has given you for life, in your home, in the ministry, in your career or business.

We have a distracted generation. We have a lot of things calling for our attention. If you do not know how to be intentional about what matters, you will be lost in things that do not and will not count.

Whatever distracts you can end up defeating you. Distraction can seem small, but poison is ineffective because of quantity- a small dose is enough.

David showed us the importance of maintaining the focus of communion with God. If everything else shakes, make sure your fellowship remains intact. That was one of David's major secrets:

"When besieged, I'm calm as a baby. When all hell breaks loose, I'm collected and cool. I'm asking God, for one thing, only one thing: To live with him in his house my whole life long. I'll contemplate his beauty; I'll study at his feet. That's the only quiet, secure place in a noisy world, the perfect getaway, far from the buzz of traffic."
Psalm 27:3-5 MSG

fixed on a thing, there are things you cannot see again. If your phone is a distraction, get a time that you respond to chats and messages. Social media has made our lives accessible at any time. Do not let it hijack your focus.

Focus when studying. If necessary, get a hard copy of the Bible for serious study. Do not let technology lead to spiritual malnutrition. Focus at work. Let nothing steal that focus. Stay on it.

Have a plan for your day. Have a plan for your home. Have a plan for your career. The best place to get it is through fellowship. Fellowship also takes focus.

Jesus told us to shut our doors when we were about to pray. Shout in yourself with God. Shut out distractions.

Set your mind. Stay in mind. Mind your mind. Guard it with diligence. The wellspring of life flows from there. Refuse to be entangled. Live as a soldier of Christ.

"So above all, guard the affections of your heart, for they affect all that you are. Pay attention to the welfare of your innermost being, for from there flows the wellspring of life." Proverbs 4:23 TPT.

CONFESSION

I feed my focus. I do not give room to distractions.

Focus comes with blindness. Once you are

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PAINS MUST NOT STOP THE VISION

Text: Psalm 126:6 KJV

He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

I saw Irewamiri endure the pains of breastfeeding each time we had a baby. She had pains but yet had no option. Every time the baby demanded milk, she had to be ready to feed even though it was quite painful for her. Her pains did not stop her from feeding the baby.

Despite the temptation to react to the pain, she consistently chose to persevere and lovingly feed the baby.

I want to speak to every person of vision-Feeding your vision will not always be comfortable. The pains you feel at times would want to make you throw that vision aside and face "your life".

Tenacity and persistence are major ingredients in the journey of vision. Do not give up because it is painful. The pain will soon turn around to profit.

No mother should give up on the baby. They feed and nurture it to maturity. Feed the vision. See it grow. The painful season will not be forever.

Imagine the pains of Jesus on the cross but the pains did not stop the vision of dying for the world and paying the price for our sin.

We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is

seated in the place of honor beside God's throne. Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up. Hebrews 12:2-3 NLT

Finally, if you are a Pastor or called to Ministry, you will also endure the pain of raising spiritual babes. You must not give up on them till Christ is formed in them.

CONFESS I O N

I will not lose my vision to pain. My vision comes alive. I will deliver to my world.

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YOU CAN'T GO FAR WHILE TAKING OFFENCE

Text: Acts 24:16 NLT

Because of this, I always try to maintain a clear conscience before God and all people.

It was a major annual convention for my grandfather in the faith. As I stepped out of the auditorium, he was walking with some of the guest ministers towards the office section. He saw me walking along the car park and said, "Son, make sure you see me before you go".

When I approached the secretariat, it was a bit hard getting through the protocol but eventually, I was ushered into the waiting area. I waited for about three hours. After about three hours, his private secretary came downstairs and asked, "Are you Pastor Ola?" I replied in the affirmative. She then said, "Baba said you can leave. He will see you some other time".

Immediately, I brought out an envelope from my pocket and handed it over to her saying, "Please, help me give him. I know it is a very busy season for him and it is just a token". I refused to allow my mind to take a walk down the corridor of offence. I refused thoughts like, "Why did he say I should wait when he knew he was busy". I was rather grateful that amid his hectic schedule, he had me in mind or wanted to see me. That was enough for me.

If you get trapped in offence, it is a stumbling block and you are close to falling. Offence in Yoruba literally means "a stumbling". When a man stumbles, he will soon fall.

You cannot be going around saying "I am offended" and you are taking pride in it. That's not wise. You are proud of "I am stumbling and I will soon fall". Do you see that? Being offended is no badge of honour. If offence has a grip on a soldier of Christ, he becomes a fallen soldier. When pride took hold of some angels, they became fallen angels. When offence has a grip on a Christian, he becomes a fallen Christian.

Offence is a trap. You cannot stumble and expect to keep making progress at the same time. If Joseph had stayed offended with

his brothers, he would not have excelled in Potiphar's House. If he had stayed offended, he would not have reached out to those who connected him to the palace. If he had stayed offended, he would have thwarted his part in a divine plan to preserve his lineage.

One way to keep yourself away from the trap of offence is to keep your focus on what the Lord is doing at the moment and through situations. Hear Joseph:

But don't be upset, and don't be angry with yourselves for selling me to this place. It was God who sent me here ahead of you to preserve your lives. God has sent me ahead of you to keep you and your families alive and to preserve many survivors. So, it was God who sent me here, not you! And he is the one who made me an adviser to Pharaoh—the manager of his entire palace and the governor of all Egypt. Genesis 45:5 ,7 – 8 NLT

Did you see how many times Joseph said "God sent me here"? That is the kind of heart that is preserved from offence.

See this important prayer too:

To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy— to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen. Jude 1:24 – 25 NIV

May you not stumble!

CONFESSION

I keep off the trap of offence. I stay focused on the journey of destiny. I will not stumble.

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NO WORRIES! NO LAZINESS!!

Text: Philippians 4:19 NKJV

And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

We were preparing to shop for our first baby. Honestly, we were trusting God for more. Some weeks to delivery, while trusting for financial blessings, God sent us gifts of new clothes. Her wardrobe was almost filled up.

While preparing to shop for our second baby, God sent us a boxload of baby clothes. The person was even telling us it was small. God still meet needs and answers prayers.

First, do not be afraid of obeying God because of the fear of needs and survival. One of the most prominent questions you will have no answer to is “How will you survive?” Or “How will you take care of your family”.

God does not encourage laziness but He equally discourages worrying.

“This is why I tell you to never be worried about your life, for all that you need will be provided, such as food, water, clothing—everything your body needs. Isn’t there more to your life than a meal? Isn’t your body more than clothing?” Matthew 6:25 TPT

Worrying changes nothing. You must have plans but you must not be soaked in by the concerns so much that it takes over the driver’s seat of your life.

Second, God still answers prayers. When you have a need, the first place to look at is not your pocket but God’s budget. In His budget, the needs are already

included.

“For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.” Matthew 6:32 NKJV

Finally, do not be so driven by your need that you begin to walk in disobedience to divine will such as giving lovingly and sacrificially. God still wants you to bless lives with what you have.

If you live only for your needs, you are living a pretty small life. There is someone somewhere that you can bless while you wait. Seek out opportunities to be a blessing in small doses while you wait for the big deal.

Do not let your need take over the driver’s seat of your destiny. It will shut out divine favour.

CONFESSION

I trust the Lord for divine supplies. I do not lack good things. I am a blessing to others.

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BEDROOM SITUATIONS

Text: 1 Corinthians 10:12 NLT

If you think you are standing strong, be careful not to fall.

I told my associate in the ministry office, “My brother, get me a house at all costs. I need an apartment even if it is one room, I need to move out of my parents’ house. It is time to be a man.” My request shocked him. I was very serious.

Later that evening in the place of meditation, the Lord told me “No”. I was safer living in my father’s house. Some months into marriage when I eventually moved out, three of the unit heads stayed with me.

Why? I was a single pastor. Living alone at that point was no big deal but I had to make a sacrifice for the integrity of the gospel. I did not want a situation where sisters had to visit a single pastor who lives alone. I did not want a situation where anyone misinterpreted my lifestyle.

Paul also spoke about this to the Ephesian Church. He admonished them in clear terms:

But among you, there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God’s holy people. Ephesians 5:3 NIV

Let no hint of sexual immorality be found in your midst. It means if another person will have a reason to draw immoral conclusions from your action – do not do it.

It means you cannot visit your fiancé or fiancée and then stay alone in the same room or even house. I know our generation has dropped the ball a lot but you cannot change biblical standards.

These instructions of God are like rail guards on a cliff- they protect us from our own

tendencies.

You do not have a reason to be found in bedroom situations. Watch your steps.

It is dangerous to be with the wrong person in the wrong place but far more dangerous to be with the right person in the wrong place.

Intending couples can be tempted to have sex or just fondle a bit after the hottest prayer sessions (no jokes here). Pray in places where you will not be led into temptation.

Some people say things like, “We know we did not do anything. It is our lives”. Paul again has an admonition for you:

“For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of man.” 2 Corinthians 8:21 NIV

I know God sees your heart but men also weigh your visible actions. Remember, there must not be a hint of sexual immorality at all.

My friend, do it for yourself. Do it for the future. Do it for the sake of the gospel. Let no one be able to point a hand, shake the head and add “And he says he is a Christian”.

Live your life as a believer in such a way that a sinner does not find justification for his sin in your conduct.

CONFESSION

I do not live a questionable Christian life. I am a good model of Christian living. I flee from all appearance of evil.

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IN MARRIAGE, YOU NEED THE RIGHT IMAGE

Text: Hebrews 6:12 NKJV

That you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

A dear teacher shared about how he loved visiting his uncle and his wife as a young man. He made it a priority to always visit them. Why? There was love, joy and peace in their home. There was something different about their marriage.

It was different from his parents' marriage, where the voices were either loud or totally silent. There was no right picture of what a true marriage should be. He could not go ahead to marry with the kind of image he had seen.

Today, he has a beautiful marriage. His anger tendencies are all gone. His home has become a model and a blessing to many other homes.

Image is everything. It is tough becoming what you have not seen. You must fight for the right image.

Do you remember the flock of Jacob? They reproduced what they had seen.

Genesis 30:37-39 NLT

[37] Then Jacob took some fresh branches from poplar, almond, and plane trees and peeled off strips of bark, making white streaks on them. [38] Then he placed these peeled branches in the watering troughs where the flocks came to drink, for that was where they mated. [39] And when they mated in front of the white-streaked branches, they gave birth to young that were streaked, speckled, and spotted.

Sometimes your desire is different from your image, but you still reproduce according to your default. You want to be a great husband, but all you've ever seen is an uncle or father who acted like a lion devouring everything in his path; you will likely do the same.

There are times when the image you have is that of a popular figure. You have grown your fantasy level because of 'make-believe' in movies. You then become frustrated when it

is not working.

When the Lord blesses you with the right image, be grateful. When you have a picture of a great husband and family man who values his wife and protects his family, you are blessed indeed.

Life is easier with examples. Journeys are tougher without examples. Examples are like cheat codes. If you have a decision to make and you have someone who has modelled it to you, you are blessed. If you have decisions but lack a template, you will likely gamble through it.

There are times I want to do a thing, and my wife would say to me jokingly, "You will come and tell me where you saw that example". We would then have a great laugh together.

When marriage hits a crisis, the blessing of the right image is mostly absent. When there is a bad image or no image at all, it is like building without a plan. It is like flying without direction, you will wind up anywhere!

Do you have the right examples?

CONFESSION

I eliminate the wrong images of marriage. I gaze at and learn from the right mentors. My marriage is blessed.



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