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The Road I Took



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I greet the presence of the Holy Spirit and His mercy, and you who are reading this book—may you be blessed as you go through it.

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Foreword

Everything That Exists Has Meaning, Rather Than Just a Journey.

Born in the year 2000, He received a foundational education—preschool, secondary, and university. And his journey continues...

My Gratitude

Before anything else in my life, I must always remember that it does not depend on me, my friends, or my parents. Only Christ is the master and guide of my life—without Him, I can do nothing. There is no intelligence without Him; He is my wisdom. My design—yes, it is truly from Him, the source of my perfection. At just 12 years old, I understood the language of my Creator and His plan for my life—not an easy thing! Two years later, I came to know His love, and He filled my journey with so many wonders I had never imagined. God is wonderful, even for those who are still asleep. Iniquity often shows up at the beginning of the journey, and its mission is destruction.

A miracle

In 2018, the journey became both visible and tangible, as I was preparing for the national exam to obtain the Diploma. God had touched me and wanted to make me a man sensitive to visions. Through the enemy's schemes, God allowed me to become terribly ill as the exams were approaching. Three months before, without attending classes, I began to grow weary, losing my courage and determination to complete my technical secondary studies— I could no longer find hope. It had been revealed to me earlier that I would score 65% on my diploma, even before I began secondary school. A percentage that did not satisfy me as I had hoped. While receiving treatment at the CBCA NDOSHO hospital, it was planned that I would undergo nasal surgery. While lying on the hospital bed in the operating room, the Holy Spirit spoke to my mother and told her to take me out of the hospital before the doctor could operate—for otherwise, I would die.

My mother came and took me out of the hospital without informing the staff. She looked at me and said, “My son... You

were operated on last night by Christ...”

I didn't understand what she meant all I could see was my academic failure. She asked me, “Do you trust in God?” “Yes,” I replied.

That is the foundation of my life and the great banner under which I have come to understand God.

Commit!

“I trust in God!”

The proof of my perseverance in Him, of my effort and courage, led me to the very result that the Holy Spirit had revealed: I came last in my class—with 65 percent.

Yes, I attended the same schools as the children of the wealthy, in a bourgeois environment. As for me, one could say I was materially poor at the time. Yet that’s not why I cling to God—not so that He may bless me, but because He is my Father. As long as I continue this journey with Christ,

I will stay closely connected to God, listen to Him, and walk in communion with Him.

I will remain faithful by living in holiness, to be a model for others—that is, by separating myself from all that is evil and all worldly matters, and burning them out of my life.

Yes, I must bring order to my life:

I will not lie,

I will not steal,

I will not prostitute myself,

COMMIT!

I will always give my tithe,
I will not watch pornography, nor listen to it or even seek to
be informed about it.

Every man is my brother, every woman is my sister.

I must be upright and honest,

I will never accept corruption.

My ideal is to do the will of God.

I must finish my studies on time.

Luxury does not define me;

I am content with what I have.

I am a Christian—I act as a Christian.

I do not live according to what I think I am capable of, because
with God, everything is possible—absolutely everything.

I will begin my projects even if I think I am not capable of
succeeding, because I am always victorious.

I will not live for the world—

I will live for my God, for I am eternal. The world will pass
away, but I will live for eternity.

One day, I will be among the saints in paradise.

My ministry will grow and flourish.

My father will be fulfilled; his plans will be completed.

My mother will enjoy a rich and noble old age.

My brothers and I—we will be the pillars of the family,

In the name of the Almighty Lord.

“My trust in Him remained strong.”

Two years after my mother took me out of the hospital, my
health had not improved. But one night, Christ spoke to me
and said: **“You trusted Me... you are healed.”** And I was healed,
two years after the bold declaration my mother had made, a
message she received from Christ.

Christ is my only provision—my whole life.

Prison

In March 2020, God brought me back to the right place to understand His mission and plan for me. What place? ...Prison. Innocently, I was taken while on the road in a country where I had been studying for a year, and I was imprisoned for two weeks.

Christ... “I have placed my trust in You alone.” That experience became a deep journey with Him. And suddenly, He said to me: **“Do you still trust Me?”**

I was more than desperate— so much so that I no longer realized that Christ was speaking to me... God’s grace is extraordinary. When I remember it, I recover the strength lost to the emotions stirred by the Devil’s temptations.

Set Free

This generation has reached the time of promise and its fulfillment. That means we must separate ourselves from anything that can defile our intimacy with Christ (Deuteronomy 4:16).

Do you remember what the coming future warns us about? There will be a personal account to give! “If the crowd has no soul,” they say— but where are you, curiously? Hiding behind the image of modernity and the masses corrupted by Satan? Oh, people of revelation—where are you now? Christ is the universal standard to follow. Why are you hidden under the yoke of satanic excuses? Day by day, we see clearly that the son of perdition could never have a beautiful plan for any man. But thank God—He is always available to cleanse the seed of the devil from your heart. There will be no more excuses...

Just believe! He says again: **Grace is available, as the waters cover the sea.** Return to Him. David said, *“Show me the path I should walk, Lord, and I will follow it to the end.* And so it is for you who have never called on Christ— He is the way, without

loss. Take courage, and He will sustain you (Psalm 119:33). Yes, the ministry of Christ may go through trials. But remember: **The righteous must lead the lost flock back to the right path. You are that righteous one...! You must lead them back...!**

The Lord God of hosts is speaking—and He is pressing this on your heart: Confess your iniquities. End the practices that do not bring honor and glory to Christ. Abandon those showy ceremonies that please the world—that lifestyle the world is forcing you to follow.

Honor and glory belong to God alone. You will realize just how often **you have been the obstacle** to His glory and honor. With the way you're managing the ministry God entrusted to you—with that free gift you think you've enhanced on your own—**Far from it! Repent.**

As long as you keep using the devil's shield to defend yourself, you will never leave the shadow zone, and the enemy will trample you. Redirect your journey on earth into divine guidance, for true and lasting direction. And when you spend your time criticizing, placing obstacles in what Christ has established, you will end up forgetting the One who searches hearts! If you are capable of doing what the righteous do, then you have a gift. And if you don't use it, you will become a hindrance to the spread of the righteous message.

Christ needs you.

In 2019, I set out for a neighboring country—specifically, its capital city, Kigali—which opened many doors for me in various areas of life... While everyone—students and their guardians—struggled to survive in that environment, God took exceptional care of me. It was clear proof of His plan for me. I walk in the comfort of His laws. Now, nothing is impossible:

“All my trust is in Him.” He changed everything—my way of life, bringing His perfection into all my plans... Even when I had forgotten that He had a purpose for me—**His plan!** And He said... **“I will walk with you.”**

His Word is true and real. His promises come to pass at the right time. Take heart, and experience His love—**Christ is good.** After this life, we will be in a worthy place—a reward for having completed a good journey on earth. During our time on this earth, the rich often give no rest to the poor who struggle, yet at night, it’s the rich who struggle to sleep, while the poor rest peacefully. Human beings are rich with millions of fleeting

moments that make up life. The miser forgets to live—and has the most beautiful hours of what could have been his life stolen. Indeed, **heaven is the solution.** Not being able to enjoy life is a tragic misfortune.

But even so, it's not the length of existence that brings happiness to humanity—even if someone lived twice as long as Methuselah. We must fix our eyes on **Christ** and on **His return.** Because the future is wide open—and no one knows it in advance—human wisdom urges us **not to place all hope in one single project**, but to **invest relentlessly.** That was the secret to hoping and reaping the fruits of life on earth. But what about **eternal life**—for you

Christ needs you. He wants a relationship with you. He has even prepared a path so you can find His forgiveness and start all over again. **Begin this relationship with Him—today.**

