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INTRODUCTION

God did not give an animal or a man to take away our sins by sacrifice. Neither did He give an angel for this. But He gave His only begotten Son who is the only one qualified to take away the sins of mankind for ever by sacrifice.

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Jesus sacrificed Himself in a complete way for the salvation of mankind. Hence, nothing was left that has not been done for the righteousness and holiness of men.

Hebrews 9:12

Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

Therefore, the salvation from sin and holiness of life, God demanded from men is complete one because Christ's sacrifice was complete.

Hebrews 9:14

How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

The preachers of the gospel of Jesus Christ to lost men in the world must present to mankind the complete gospel, making them know God's demand for complete obedience and submission to Him in righteousness and holiness.

Acts 26:16-18

¹⁶*But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;*

¹⁷*Delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee,*

¹⁸*To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.*

Chapter 1

THE WORD OF GOD: THE FOOD FOR A MAN'S SOUL

Luke 4:4

And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.

1.1 Characteristics of the Word of God

Psalm 19:7-9

⁷The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

⁸The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

The scripture above shows us the characteristics, the qualities or attributes of the word of God which are as follows:

- I. **The word of God is perfect** – there is nothing to add or subtract from it. It is perfect.
- II. **The word of God is sure** – it is certain. There is no ambiguity or uncertainty about it. It is sure and dependable.
- III. **The word of God is right** – what God says is right. The commandment of God is right, always.
- IV. **The word of God is pure** – This implies that the commandment of God is pure, and very clean. There is no error and dirt in it.
- V. **The word of God is clean** – It is clean, just as you know what it means that by something to be clean. There is no dirt in it.
- VI. **The word of God is true and righteous** – true and righteous altogether.

1.2 Man is to Feed on and Live by Every Word of God

The word of God is the revelation of God's mind and God's nature to mankind, God's word is designed as food for our souls by which we must live.

Matthew 4:4

⁴But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

Man shall feed upon EVERY WORD that proceeds out of the mouth of God. Man shall live by it. Man shall be nourished by it. Man shall be fed by every word of God. And what is this word of God? I listed them above. It is perfect, therefore man should feed upon perfection. And man should live on perfection according to the word of God. The word is sure. Man should live by the word that is sure, sincere, real, and certain. Man should live by that. Again it is right. The word of God that is right is what man should feed upon. The word is pure so man shall live by the purity of the word. As you feed on purity so you should live in purity of the word. It is pure. The word is clean; man should feed on and live by the clean word. Again the word is true and righteous altogether. Man needs this word that is true. This word that is righteous altogether should be the word that man should live by.

1.3 The Effect of the Word of God in Man

If a man lives by the word, what will he be like? According to the characteristics of the word, he is going to be perfect because he lives by perfection. Again, he is going to be sure, sincere and genuine. He is going to be right in his ways. He is going to be pure in his nature, in his heart, in his character and in his being. He is also going to be clean in every way because the word that makes clean is what he eats and feeds upon. He is going to be clean. And then he is going to be right and righteous all the time. Man shall be altogether right and righteous.

1.4 God and His Word do not Change

God's word is complete and wholesome; it must not be added to or subtracted from. Our obedience to it must be similarly complete and wholesome. We must not half our obedience, nor be overzealous and begin to play some other things and say, "Oh we are over-righteous". No! Keep to it exactly. That is the word of God.

To awaken us to a total obedience and wholesome loyalty to God's word in our daily

lives and Christian service is the purpose of the message of this book, because there are many that have left the true vision, the old way. The old way! Seek the old ways, the old paths and walk in it and you will find rest to your souls.

Jeremiah 6:16

Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.

When the people in the old time failed, they were doomed; they were destroyed by the flood and were wiped out except for eight people. God does not change as expressed in the scripture below.

Malachi 3:6

For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

If people change the vision of the Christian life and are following another thing and are halving it and are managing themselves, they will never make it because God does not change. It is you that changes because times and events are

changing, heaven does not change, the God of heaven does not change, the word of God does not change. If we will serve God, let us serve Him. If you want to serve the Lord, serve Him. If you are not ready, know that you are not ready and that you have neither lot nor part with God. Therefore gird up your loins, strengthen yourself and let us serve this God. Let us really serve this God to make sure we aim at the wholeness, the completeness that God has given unto us.

1.5 The Word was Given for Us to Obey

My brother, the Lord spoke to us in our day of people that cannot enter heaven. Is it just a story or reality? It is reality. If the Lord could speak to us so, it is because He wants us to rise up in strength, in sincerity to serve Him so that we do not get disappointed because when it is our time and we die and go yonder we may not come back. How many come back among the millions that died? Are you thinking you can go and come back? No! We have heard so many revelations, let us therefore take the real path, really make up our minds, both man and woman to ensure that, this heaven that we have laid hand upon, we will go there. The revealed word of God is given to us to obey, He handed this word to us saying, "Here it is, obey it".

Chapter 2

GOD DEMANDS COMPLETE OBEDIENCE TO HIS WORD

Deuteronomy 28:1

And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth.

2.1 Obedience to God's Word must be Total

The bible is in your hand for complete obedience. God demands our total submission and complete obedience to His word. He has made this possible on the cross when Jesus died. Jesus died to bring the grace for total, complete, wholesome obedience and full righteousness to man. So God is demanding complete obedience from man. In His instruction to the children of Israel, He demanded of them to observe to do ALL His commandments. ALL, NOT SOME.

Deuteronomy 4: 1-2

¹Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I teach you, for to do them, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.

²Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgment, which I teach you, for to do them, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.

Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

Hearken, O Israel, to the statutes and judgments. The statutes and judgments are talking about the word, which is pure, clean, perfect, sure, right, true and righteous altogether. That is the word. Harken to that

word, obey and do that word. Do not reduce it, do not exaggerate it and do not fail in keeping it. That is the word, harken to it!

2.2 Anything other than Total Obedience is no Obedience

Deuteronomy 5:33

³³*Ye shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess.*

You shall walk in ALL THE WAYS. ALL! Did God show you 10 ways? Walk in ALL of them. Did He show you up to 50 ways? Walk in ALL of them not in 49. ALL! Everything shown in scripture, every aspect of the Christian life: matters of righteousness, living in love and peace, praying, having faith in God, service of God, tithes payment, etcetera. Walk in ALL! ALL THE WAYS that He has shown you are for you to walk in. All of them. That is His word.

Walk in ALL of the ways that He commanded, that ye may live eternal life, not living in the world. As for living in the world you are still alive up to now but no, I am talking about

spiritual life and eternal life, That ye may live. That is the word. That ye may live and that it may be well with you. You will not have a problem with this life since you do not have a problem with God; that it may be well with you and that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess. You will prolong your days. You will live to the fullness of your day in the presence of God. ALL! ALL the words which the Lord your God has given you will prolong your life in the service of God when you do them.

2.3 Total Obedience Must be for Life

Deuteronomy 6:1-3

¹*Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go to possess it:*

²*That thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.*

³*Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye*

may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.

That is it. Hear the word to keep. ALL the words. Do not fail in one. Do ALL, for ALL YOUR DAYS, not for some parts.

At some point in your life you are strong and well, powerful in Christ, righteous and holy but then, as days prolong you start to relax and become as lukewarm. He said, "No"! It should be for all your days. ALL THE WORD FOR ALL YOUR DAYS that it might be well with your life; and that it might be well with your Christian life. That is what the Lord is saying to us.

2.4 Total obedience Requires Diligence

Since the Lord demands ALL, if He gives a hundred, all of it, this then calls for diligence and carefulness in obeying His word and carrying out His instructions. Diligence and carefulness is required to obey this word!

Deuteronomy 6:17

Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded

thee.

DILIGENTLY! That is why you should be careful what you say. You should be careful what you do. You examine yourself before saying a thing or doing a thing, to be sure you are not breaking the word of God. You are not supposed to break it at any time. You see the way others are living their Christian life and you think to live like that and say, "I am even better than them." You are not wise!

2 Corinthians 10:12

¹²For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.

Has God told you that He has approved of them? Did God tell you that He has a kingdom for them? And has God told you that He has a crown for them, that you are comparing yourself with them? You are saying, "If this man can do like this, mine has not reached up to his own". God has condemned him and has condemned you too. Both of you are condemned by God. So be diligent and be careful in your life. It does not matter if

everybody fails, you, do not fail. You as a person, do not fail.

The Bible says, "Be so diligent and so careful in all your service to ensure you do not break God's commandment, you do not break God's words and you do not break God's instructions.

Deuteronomy 6:18

And thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of the LORD: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers.

This heaven! Do what is right all the time so that you can be qualified to enter into this heaven where our father Abraham is, where Moses, Jacob, Isaac and the Apostles are. Do everything to ensure you enter this heaven.

Deuteronomy 28:1

And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth.

Have you ever worked in a rice farm? Have you

ever walked where people gathered so much and you tried to move to the other side? Did you see how carefully you moved, calculating your way to ensure you did not step on anybody? Did you see how careful you were? When you were working in the farm where the crops were tender you were so careful checking your every step. You judge diligently before you put your foot anywhere. Can you be that diligent in your life, in the church and in your walk with God? In the thoughts of your heart, in the imagination of your mind, can you be very diligent, so careful, thinking it again, watching over it in your own life? Can you do that?

The promotion of God comes by righteousness. It is the righteous that the Lord promotes. How does He promote a sinner? He has no place for him except for unholy uses. He has no place for him! Be diligent in every way.

Chapter 3

REASONS WHY CHRISTIANS FAIL TO TOTALLY OBEY GOD'S WORD

3.1 Lack of Diligence

Joshua 1:8

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

You should observe, to do according to ALL that is in the Bible. ALL! That is the exact word! And God has not reduced it. God has not spoken in modern times to reduce this instruction. ALL the word of righteousness, ALL in your house, ALL in the church, ALL in the field, ALL in your workplace, ALL everywhere. ALL the words that the Lord has commanded, we are to keep.

Psalms 119:1-4

¹Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who

walk in the law of the LORD.

²Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart.

³They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.

⁴Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.

When you fail, God said it is because you were not diligent, and not thoughtful in your actions. That is why you failed, that is why you did what you did. You were not diligent, not careful, and not at peace in yourself. You did not take time to pray through and judge it before you took that action. That is why you got it wrong. But, thou hath commanded us to keep all thy precepts DILIGENTLY. Why? So, we should not be defiled. We should walk in His law. So, we should keep His testimonies. Again, so, we should seek Him with our whole heart. Again, so, we should do no iniquity but walk in His ways. To do all these, diligence is required.

3.2 Lack of Total Yieldedness

In the same way as diligence, God also demands that our love for Him should be with

all our hearts, souls and minds.

Deuteronomy 6:5

And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

Deuteronomy 10:12-13

¹²***And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,***

¹³***To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?***

You see what the word of God is saying? We are to fear the Lord, to walk in all His ways and to love Him and to serve Him with ALL OUR HEART AND WITH ALL OUR SOUL. There is no wisdom saying, "You know if you are working with this church, in fact if you are not wise, they will cheat you. If you are working with these people you have to be watchful. In fact, how much are they paying me?" If you are doing like

this, carnal wisdom has come to the things you are doing. Your whole heart is not involved in God's work. You have failed. You have failed in the standard although you are pointing the cause of your failure to the church. You are saying the cause of your failure is the leader. The cause of your failure could be anybody else or any circumstances, but the whole thing is that you have failed.

If you are asked, "Please why did you fail your examination? And you answered, "I planned to wake up and study that particular area in the night but I overslept". Well, whatever was the cause, the result is that you have failed. So you may say sleep caused it but you failed. You failed! What is your reason why you failed? It is that your whole being is not given to the service of God. You are now being trickish/deceptive in your ways. You are now using carnal wisdom in the work.

What made you fail as a leader? The leadership given to you in the group, among the women, the youth, the children, and/or whatever section, in the village where you are or in the town or the city wherever the Lord has put you,

what made you fail? Your reasons may be, "Oh! We are not really having food. I have too many children that I have to care for", but you failed. God needs the whole of your heart, the whole of your soul, in the love of God, and in the service of God. Take it this way. That is what the Lord actually wants from your life, and not halving your service.

3.3 Lack of Genuine Love for God

Now, to love God totally is the only acceptable way. It is the only acceptable way, because He brought you for Himself, He wants you for Himself and He gave you assignment. God will look at you and wonder, "You mean, I gave you an assignment and you say money took you away? I mean I, the God of your life, the One that breathed into your nostrils, I gave you an assignment in My church, you failed and you are giving me an excuse? You are giving me a reason." You have no reason. God expects perfect obedience, perfect commitment, wholesome surrender to Him and His ways. He expects complete observance of all His ways. No reason, No! Not at all. Wholesome obedience to God's word and love for Him must

be kept steady in all our lives.

3.4 Loss of First Love for God

Revelation 2:4

Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

As you rejoiced at the time you got born again, as you yielded everything at that time and served Him wholeheartedly, so should it remain in the same spirit every day, every year of your life until He calls you from this work, from this world, for that was the life of Jesus. Can you ever tell me when Paul lost his zeal for God? Can you remember any time when Paul lost his zeal for God? Not once! That should also be our life, our pattern, our ways and our commitment every day.

Deuteronomy 5: 29

O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!

"O that they were wise", that is God speaking, "O that you were wise in heart, that you have

such a heart in you. O that there was such a heart in them, O that there was such a resolution in them, that they would fear me and keep all my laws. The world is hard and full of temptations, but keep all my commands, O that they would keep ALL my commandments ALWAYS. That is the word. There would have been no failure there, but you relaxed, joined politics and began to do other things. Even when you knew clearly this was darkness, you were still following. You have failed it. You missed because it has to be ALL, ALWAYS, ALL THE TIME.

God expects you to be distinct. He expects you to be different. He expects you to be unique, completely guiltless and free. Then as He saw in Noah and saved him, He would have saved you. God will save you whatever is the disaster and darkness coming upon the church, you will escape because you keep ALL the words ALWAYS.

Deuteronomy 11: 1

Therefore thou shalt love the LORD thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, alway.

That means all the time, always, there is no season, there is no time to say, "Okay, I will rest". No holiday! In fact if you keep it well it becomes sweet to you, it becomes a pleasure.

Psalm 119:103

***How sweet are thy words unto my taste!
yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!***

Chapter 4

GOD'S REQUIREMENT FROM SINNERS AND BACKSLIDERS

Micah 6:8

He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

4.1 Total Repentance And Complete Turn Around

If a sinner or a backslider wants to turn to God, it will be with total conviction without reluctance. Sinners and backsliders should confess their sins in church. Confess now. How did it happen? Did you commit that immorality? Confess and forsake and ask for mercy. What did you do? Did you take that money? Do you think God is doing like that to a sinner? Do you think God agrees with our ways of pleading with sinners? Say it now. Confess. God can forgive you.

If you have backslidden and you want to come back to God, the truth is that if you do not mean

to come back you cannot come back. This is because God has given His perfect law, perfect demand that must be followed. If you fail, you are damned forever. Except you mean to be restored you cannot come back because the commandment of God is that you must come up fully, perfectly without being coerced. All these shame you are exhibiting, hiding your head, is for your doom. I tell you the perfect truth. It is for your doom. All these half-truth you are confessing are fruitless.

Deuteronomy 30: 2-3

²*And shalt return unto the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy soul;*

³*That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee.*

God is saying that if you backslide and you want to come back to Him, then you shall RETURN unto the Lord your God, and shall obey ALL HIS VOICE. If it is ten voices He gave,

you will obey ALL, if it is fifty, ALL, If it is two thousand, ALL. You must obey ALL! His voice. If you really want restoration then, the Lord is saying, "ALL His words which He commands, you and your children must keep them with all your heart", not halving your confessions, halving one here, putting another one there, using some gimmicks or some political language to cover something when you know there is darkness there. There is no heaven for you! This is the truth that is perfect. God can never manage you. If you want to go to heaven, be ready for it. If not, no management. Be informed right now while you are still alive, that God will not manage you. He cannot manage you to heaven. He CANNOT do it! If you are ready to come, come with all your heart.

4.2 Forgiveness of Sins

The Bible says that after you have done ALL, then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity. Otherwise you are still in captivity and that is why sins are still following you. No thorough repentance; no thorough confession; no thorough exposing of your sins; sins are still in your life, that is why the Lord has not turned your captivity yet because you have not obeyed all His voice. Maybe His voice says to you, "Go

and see the leadership of your church", and you are busy doing another thing, He cannot turn your captivity. He cannot! Your sin is still there. You are still under the bondage of sin and captivity because you have not obeyed ALL, you have not done what He said. You are still under bondage, under yoke because you have not obeyed ALL. God cannot respect you. You are not His friend. You are not His partner in creation. You did not make heaven with Him. It is His mercy to take you there. If you want to come back, then go back and do thorough confession, obedience, and exposition of your life before God for real righteousness. Then real righteousness will really begin. Then righteousness would truly spring up because you have met the law. You have satisfied the demand of the law, righteousness will then become yours.

Ezekiel 18:21-23

²¹***But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.***

²²***All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.***

²³Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: and not that he should return from his ways, and live?

God is saying, "If he (a sinner or a backslider) will want to live then he must return from all his sin, ALL his sins!. The one done to his wife, done to her husband, done to the neighbours, done to men, done anywhere, all the unfaithfulness of his life, he must return from all of it, all his sins which he has committed and keep all My judgements, all My law. RETURN FROM ALL HIS SINS AND DO ALL, All the word of God, IT IS THEN HE SHALL LIVE. I AM INTERESTED THAT HE SHOULD LIVE, BUT I CANNOT HALF MY DEMAND. I cannot reduce it for him because My word is pure, My word is clean, My word is sure and My word is right. I cannot halve it." Therefore come fully unto the Lord and serve the Lord with the whole of your heart.

4.3 Perfect Obedience

Christ reiterated this truth in the New Testament. He summed up the Sermon on the Mount by saying, Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect. Can you imagine that? Was He playing with

words or was he sincere? Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect and He is the judge of His word. He is ready to stand behind only those who comply with these words. As for the others, He may still be using them but as a vessel unto dishonour, they are still vessels anyway but He stands only behind those that comply with His word, however few. I give you this truth that you might labour to be among the few that stand on His word perfectly, the perfect word. That is the vision we see, perfect, be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect. This is the perfection that comes from complete obedience to all the words of God.

The full benefit of God's word shall be ours if we submit fully to it. What is this benefit? Eternal life! It is then we have eternal life. It is then we have good health for ourselves, we get wisdom, we have peace, we receive the guidance of the Spirit, we have power and strength, and we have faith and grow in faith. We also receive His promises fulfilled in our lives, we receive His protection and preservation.

Psalm 37:37

Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace.

James 1: 25

But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

Perfect law that gives liberty in life, liberty from sin, liberty from disobedience, perfect law, you look into it and continue. Continue to be a doer of the same then you will enjoy the bountiful blessing of the word. That is the word. We are checking ourselves for a real Christianity. I am calling also unto you to please determine for real Christian life. Determine! I mean make up your mind.

Chapter 5

DETERMINATION FOR COMPLETE OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S WORD

5.1 God's Standard for Obedience Differs from the World's Standard

Human organizations and operative systems do not demand total obedience, loyalty or compliance from members. Parents may not demand complete obedience from their children, they made provision for their weakness and little stubbornness. Educational Institutions do not demand 100% scores from their students, but a satisfactory performance. In various aspects of life, an average or a satisfactory performance is being expected of men.

Many who claim faith in Christ think that the same principles apply to God's word and the love of God. Many think so, that you try above average, like the woman that said to one of her leaders, "I am not looking for 100% qualification! Just give me a minimum entry qualification, maybe 40%, any minimum that

can get me into heaven. Do not take me too high.” THERE IS NONE! The examination questions for heaven are objective and you must pass all of them. If you fail on one you have failed all. That is the examination of heaven! They are objective questions and you have to pass all of them. Unfortunately also, you cannot assume any answer, if you really do not know the answer and you want to shade A or B, that is a guess work, the computer of heaven that reads your mind has condemned you already. Therefore God expects a 100% score. 100%, perfect score, from your life whether you are a man or a woman, whether you are an adult or a child. Let us not see it as we see it in our world.

5.2 Partial Obedience will Hinder your Entrance to Heaven

In the world, if they say, “Resume work at 8 o'clock”, you can come at 8:15 and it is okay because they make a range between 8:00 and 8:30, you are okay. It is not like that about heaven! In the General Certificate Examinations (GCE), if you score up to 65%, that is a credit. Wonderful! They even give you grade “A” for 70% or distinction for 80%, that is

not the same thing with heaven. It is not the same thing! So do not apply the world's wisdom to heaven and be trying in the church saying, “I am trying, I am trying”. You are trying? Do it perfectly, do it rightly.

Ecclesiastes 9:10

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.

There is no wisdom to be applied except pure wisdom that can make you do it wholly, pure, and complete. Even if others are not meeting it, meet it. That is God's call unto you.

People consider themselves to be within the range of divine acceptability when they are able to observe some ways of God and are able to obey some portions of scripture, but they have not made up their minds to submit to all the words of God. You do not pay your tithes and do not bother, you say, “at least God understands”. You have failed. You have failed! One thing you do is that, you judge God and give God scores. It is not Him giving the score but you. It is you who judge God asking, “God, how

do you think? I scored you this way, I scored you that way". That is why you do what you do, otherwise you have to observe all, even if in observing all you die, thank God. Then you can say, "I have finished my service to my God, and have obeyed Him to the last point. I have obeyed the word of God unto death."

5.3 Change your Wrong view of God's Demand

This view and spirit must be corrected among believers. The spirit of average pass; "I am trying" Hm! Carrying a heavy heart among yourselves. You are trying. You are trying, living a prayerless life. "I am trying". Not coming to church even, coming once in a while. "I am trying". That is not what God expects of you, you have failed. You have failed because He expects all, perfect, strong, firm! All! He expects that from you. So correct your thought. Correct it, His ways are different from man's ways.

Isaiah 55: 8

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

God, be merciful to your people, they might be thinking they are busy serving You and suffering but You say they failed. You say they failed. They did not make it. What are you thinking? What do you think we would have done? God have mercy. Restructure us. Let us face You and really do wholesome work, and individually perfect. Everybody aiming at perfection of his personal life with God should know that only complete obedience to all His words qualifies us entrance into His kingdom. This partial obedience is the cause of our troubles and spiritual dryness. It is self-deceit and will hinder entrance into heaven.

5.4 Obey God fully, whatever the Cost

This your thinking that you are trying, but you are not really making it, you are failing, please! You are deceiving yourself. You are deceiving yourself like the person that is sleeping and says he is reading. He sleeps, wakes up, opens his book, dozes off, wakes up, opens up, dozes off again and he says he is reading. What a self-deceit! If you want to go and sleep why not go and sleep because you will not remember one word from this thing you are doing. Your memory is too weak to retain anything at that

position, you cannot remember anything, yet you say, "I spent four hours reading". You spent four hours reading when you spent the same four hours sleeping? You spent four hours reading, and gaining nothing. O! I should cry for you that spent four years wasting your time in service because you are not committed, you are not wholesome, full with your heart, what a waste of service. You are busy going up and down without any qualitative thing done because there was no full commitment. Full yieldedness was not there, so there was no input in your heavenly register that you did anything for Jesus. I pray the Lord will have mercy upon us. I pray you will wake up today and face this God in a new way and face His service in a new way. You will carry a man like this and put him far behind you and say, "Get behind me man. I have been having you and you are the one troubling me that my service to God has not been perfect. I put you behind me, let me face my God. Me and God will do this work. I will do it perfectly in His specification. I will follow my God and never give a reason and say it was man. I will not point to the serpent. I am not going to be like Adam pointing to his wife, I will not do it. I am not going to be like Eve, pointing to the serpent. No! I will not fail". That should be the spirit that you should take

now, the spirit that should enter into your life at this time henceforth.

We must all change our attitudes and go for complete obedience to God's word, whatever the cost, go for complete obedience. Go and buy complete obedience.

Proverbs 23:23

Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.

I mean go and get this uniform for yourself. Complete, perfect, wholesome obedience. Complete submission to God's word whatever the cost, whatever the shame, whatever the persecution, whatever the suffering. Then shall we be assured of the blessings in this life and our heavenly inheritance.

2 Peter 1:10-13

¹⁰***Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:***

¹¹***For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.***

¹²***Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth.***

¹³***Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance.***

You that are in the village, be perfect. Be sincere with your God. Be perfect, wholesome, sincere and true with your God, because if the rapture takes place you will not have to come to the headquarters in the city before you receive the license to be raptured. Right there you will be going to heaven if you qualify. If you are among the perfect people, the righteous, the committed people, the totally yielded people, then you go from wherever you are. Perfect, Holy, Just, blameless, that is the will of God. That is the demand of God.

Chapter 6

GOD DEMANDS TOTAL OBEDIENCE TO HIS ORDAINED HUMAN LEADERS

Joshua 1:16-18

¹⁶***And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou commandest us we will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go.***

¹⁷***According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee: only the LORD thy God be with thee, as he was with Moses.***

¹⁸***Whosoever he be that doth rebel against thy commandment, and will not hearken unto thy words in all that thou commandest him, he shall be put to death: only be strong and of a good courage.***

6.1 God's Ordained Leaders are His Representatives

God also requires that our obedience to God's ordained human leaders must be total, complete, and wholesome, without any resistance. It must be perfect obedience, total obedience, full obedience as long as it is in the

course of God and in righteousness. He is representing the God of your life, directing you. God is passing through him as He passed through Moses. God is passing through him to instruct your life. In the church, there must be total submission to the pastor, total submission to leadership. There must be Perfect, wholesome, full, complete submission, without saying, "I am overused, this thing is looking like oppression to me. Why? Am I the only one?" Never! Not a complaint. No! Not one! Only perfect, complete, wholesome, entire submission is required. That is the word of God, and these are the people that serve the Lord and belong unto our God.

Likewise, wives must give perfect obedience to their husbands. This means perfect, complete, and wholesome obedience according to scriptures without any flaw and resistance. In the same way, Children should obey their parents perfectly, and completely as the scripture commands. These are the godly children of God, and the people on whom redemption has worked. They are the redeemed of the earth, and that have been redeemed from among men. In other words, they should be people whose lives have been

given to perfection. In your workplace, you must give total loyalty, complete, wholesome, sincere and perfect righteousness, working to fulfil the law perfectly. That is what God wants of you. Your obedience should be as if it is Jesus that is in that place. What Jesus will do that is what He expects you to do.

6.2 Total Obedience to Leadership Facilitates God's work

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The people of God said unto Joshua, "All that you are going to say, we will do. All that you will say, we are going to do". It is in such submission to our leaders that there can be progress in the

church, and that the vision God has given to the leaders can materialise. They said, "All that you have spoken unto us we will do and whithersoever thou sendest us we will go. We are not going to give you an excuse. Wherever, that is anywhere our God is sends us, we will go. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, so anywhere you send us, we will go, whatever instruction, or assignment you give unto us, small or great we will do".

Again they said, "According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things", not only in some things. It is stubbornness to resist. It is stubbornness to murmur. It is stubbornness to complain and form a clique by saying, "Do you know what is going on trying to seek others opinion saying?" It is a personal commitment to the pastor, and personal commitment before God in the church. **WHATEVER THE PASTOR INSTRUCTS, YOU WILL DO BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE GOD IS WITH HIM;** there is no resistance. This is Christianity. This is the Spirit of Christ. They further said, whosoever he be that doth rebel against thy commandment, prove resistance or condone rebellious acts to the Pastor should be handled. Whosoever he be, whatever is his name,

wherever he comes from, whatever his authority, that disobeys the Pastors instruction and rebel against thy commandment and will not hearken unto thy words in all, must be judged.

Whatever it costs him, he must do ALL even if it will affect him no matter the consequence, it must be ALL. Whoever he be that will not harken to your word, which we have committed ourselves to do shall be put to death. That is the commitment of those people and that is how they got the land of Canaan. They entered the land of Canaan and possessed it, by complete and perfect yieldedness to leadership, yieldedness, and readiness to resist disobedience among them. So everybody bowed and then they went and possessed the land and through Joshua the land was shared to them. Praise the name of the Lord. Hallelujah! This is the word of God.

6.3 Your Leader will give Account on you to God

Hebrews 13:17

Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your

souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

It is unprofitable to you, when you become a problem to leadership or the reason why leadership is sorrowful constantly and you intend to go to heaven! No gain, no eternal life and heaven for you. It is unprofitable for you. Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit however big and great you are, if you are under the leadership of Christ, submit yourselves. Your leaders will, give account over your life. If you become too tough and cannot be controlled, what will they say before God? You have rendered their lives difficult. Do you think that the God of perfection, the God of holiness and the God of justice will justify you? Far be it! Far from it, you have missed the mark, and failed while you are still on earth. That is the perfect and true word. The complete word. Bow your heart before God, bow your heart in

the church and yield yourself for heaven that you might enter there too. Otherwise, no gain in the church for you, and all your coming to church and services will be of no value. That is the word. Perfect word.

6.4 God Mandates His Chosen Leaders to Give the Complete Message to His Flock

What a message to those in divine leadership, those with the divine message, are to communicate the whole truth to God's people and administer God's law according to all His word. GOD EXPECTS THE PEOPLE TO DO ALL, SO YOU MUST TELL THEM ALL. Tell them the difficult one, the cheap one, the easy one, the hard one, tell them everything. Tell them ALL! ALL THE WORD. This will make you a faithful minister. Tell them not minding whether they obey or not, play your part faithfully. The grace of obedience will be given to those who choose to obey. Teach the whole thing, on difficult restitution. Teach everything perfectly, because the Lord expects them to do all and there are people whose minds He will stir up to do all. Let nobody go to hell because of you. It is good to learn this truth of a sound

foundation, to see the vision of the Christian life in a new dimension, to awaken again and begin to look for grace. All weakness, laziness, indifference, carelessness, excuses and the likes, that are being manifested, must be put away and must be viewed as a subtle instrument intended for our damnation. Do not give flimsy excuses for non-attendance of meetings. Remember it is for your damnation. That subtle reason, although it is a reason, is measuring up for your doom. You are failing at a perfect standard. Whatever your reason, is that a true reason that the God of heaven will justify? Can the God of heaven who sees with the perfect eye see that you are just, you are right and justify you? Then you are excused and justified even before men. Otherwise all those excuses you gave on, failing to come to church, and fears manifested that make you not to be faithful to God, as well as those plausible excuses given that you know if you have been sincere and serious, there could have been a way out, are damning your soul. It shows your lack of qualification. You have not made up your mind. You have not exalted God above the world. You have not given God His place fully in your life. Who told you that the

gospel of God is for full-time people? Is it only full time Pastors or people that go to heaven?

6.5 Awake to Complete Obedience to God's Work

If you intend to go to heaven, and the service of God comes into your hand, do it perfectly with the whole of your strength. Whatever work you have to do in the secular, do it there well and do the work of God here well also so that we can say as it was said of Jesus, He has done all things well. That is what is expected of you. Perfection!

Mark 7:37

And were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

The church would have grown better than this except for laziness and excuses. There would have been more expansion. People are not committed, they are afraid to spend their time and money, by giving excuses. Change and get ready for true Christianity and True Christian spirit, then you can lead people to heaven too. It is then you can be a true leader. That is the

Perfect and complete word. We must put on strength for full commitment to God and complete submission to His revealed truth.

Isaiah 52:1-3

¹Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.

²Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

³For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money.

Where is your strength? Put back your Christian strength and that determination of Christ. Henceforth all those weaknesses shall no more come unto you. Shake thyself from the dust that is on your body; and you are no more cleanly but dusty. You have been lying in that place for a long time. The harmattan of life has passed on you and filled you with darkness. Shake yourself from dust; wake up to Christianity, start again, shake yourself from

dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem: sit down properly for Christ, loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion. Why were you looking aside? Where did you start looking aside? Where did you start looking at men and getting offended because of them and failed? Loose yourself from those offenses; stand for God captive daughter of Zion.

6.6 The Grace of God is Available to Help You

The enemy may have gotten you through some tricks and put you under captivity. He got you and ruined your Christian life, which was beautiful and holy and now you are full of dust.

Isaiah 52:3

For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money.

The beautiful free, you do not need to pay any price therefore make up your mind that you will stand for God and be earnest. Earnest, serving the Lord, is what you need. That is what God expects of you. God's grace will be

sufficient for whoever desires to keep the whole word of God. If you desire it, He will give you.

Ezekiel 36:25-28

²⁵*Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.*

²⁶*A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.*

²⁷*And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.*

²⁸*And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.*

That is what God says He would do for you. He is going to sprinkle clean water on you, God wants you to be determined and he will change you. Just be willing and obedient then he will give you the power. Desire to do it, then he will give you the power to do it". That is what God is saying. "Desire to do it, then I will give you the grace to do it. I will take away that disturbing heart from you. That stubborn, rebellious, resisting and, immoral heart. I will remove

from you the heart of excuses and weaknesses. I will give you a new heart", that is what God says and that is the grace He will give you.

John 1:16-17

¹⁶*And of His fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.*

¹⁷*For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.*

Grace and truth came by Jesus. He has revealed to you the truth and he will give you also the grace. He has shown you a mighty mountain to move, He will give you the machinery to use. That is the grace that will help you do it. Be ready to start, you will see that mountain move because the power will come from God. The power to change you and make you a perfect man is coming from God. O wonderful! It is coming from the blood of Christ, the Spirit of Christ, and the power of the Word. That power will render you a complete new man. It will work on you, change you and make you a perfect being. You will also go to heaven. That is the Word.

Isaiah 1:19

If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land.

Chapter 7

COMMITMENT AND PRAYERS FOR GOD'S SUFFICIENT GRACE

Exodus 19:8

And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD.

7.1 Make a Commitment to God that You Will Keep His Word Perfectly

The true light given to is a call to commit ourselves to God with a covenant to keep all His word and to love Him with all our heart, with all our soul and with our entire mind. This was the spirit of King Josiah demonstrated when he suddenly realized that his obedience to God fell short of the full requirement. We must pray earnestly in the spirit of discernment for God's grace to keep all His word and be fully committed to Him and to His true human leaders.

Psalm 119:4-6

⁴Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.

⁵O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!

⁶Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.

I will be ashamed on the last day to hear that my name is not in the Book of Life, O God let my ways be directed to keep Thy commandments.

7.2 Pray for Enlightenment and Understanding of God's Demand

Psalm 119:33-40,125,133

³³HE. Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.

³⁴Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart.

³⁵Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.

³⁶Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.

³⁷Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken thou me in thy way.

³⁸Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy fear.

³⁹***Turn away my reproach which I fear: for thy judgments are good.***

⁴⁰***Behold, I have longed after thy precepts: quicken me in thy righteousness.***

¹²⁵***I am thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies.***

¹³³***Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me.***

The above should be your prayer.

7.2 Cry Earnestly to God to Regain True Christianity in your Life and in the Church

Psalm 119:145-146

¹⁴⁵***I cried with my whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep thy statutes.***

¹⁴⁶***I cried unto thee; save me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.***

We must cry earnestly, to regain Christianity. We must pray to regain total obedience to God's word; we must cry for the real spirit of Christianity to come into us, that gentle, humble, and broken spirit, of real Christianity must come into our lives. Not only an individual but the whole church must enter into commitment. The whole church is to enter

into a covenant with God that they will obey Him, serve Him, yield to His word, do His will and submit to His leadership. This is to be a collective determination.

2 Chronicles 34:29-32

²⁹***Then the king sent and gathered together all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem.***

³⁰***And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the Levites, and all the people, great and small: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant that was found in the house of the LORD.***

³¹***And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this book.***

³²***And he caused all that were present in Jerusalem and Benjamin to stand to it. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the covenant of God, the God of their fathers.***

The above scripture tells us about the commitment of King Josiah who feared God but discovered that the word of God was not first place in his government or his kingdom. The people walked contrary to God's commandments and God was angry with them. When they discovered the Book of the Law in the temple as they were cleaning up, they were surprised to know that there is a Book of the Law. They brought the Book to king Josiah who sat down as they read everything. Josiah said, "Woe! The wrath of God is upon us. We have left His ways, we have gone aside altogether. Judgment is determined upon us. Please let us repent. Let us REPENT!" He gathered all Israel together and stood before them.

2 Chronicles 34:33

And Josiah took away all the abominations out of all the countries that pertained to the children of Israel, and made all that were present in Israel to serve, even to serve the LORD their God. And all his days they departed not from following the LORD, the God of their fathers.

Brethren, return to God for a renew real obedience and real righteousness.

Chapter 8

AWESOME POWER OF THE HOLY LIFE

John 17:22-23

²²And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

²³I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

8.1 Sanctification

Holiness is God's gift of grace to the believer through faith in the Lord Jesus, the sanctifier. In this teaching, the sinner is not called to holiness but to repentance and faith on the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation from sin. When a sinner receives Jesus Christ through repentance, he becomes a believer, his sins are forgiven and he is made a child of God. The Bible tells us that God has His will for a person who has repented and believed in Jesus Christ as the Lord and Savior.

8.2 God's will for the Believer

1 Thessalonians 4:3

For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication.

The scripture shows us clearly the will of God for the believer at this time, and that is, 'sanctification.' Why the believer at this time? It means one who has already believed. It is because Jesus prayed for his disciples who were already in Christ.

John 17: 14-16

¹⁴***I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.***

¹⁵***I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.***

¹⁶***They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.***

Here Jesus is talking, and praying for His disciples; those that have become his followers. They have come to God and are now

children of God. What was Jesus praying for according to the will of God?

John 17: 17, 20

¹⁷***Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.***

²⁰***Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;***

Jesus was saying, "My prayer for sanctification is not only for these, but also for those who shall believe on me through the word. Therefore, sanctification is for believers; both the present and the future ones, because that is the will of God.

Sanctification has significant purposes in the life of the believer. It has aims which when accomplished, reveals the awesome power of a holy life.

Ephesians 5: 24-27

²⁴***Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.***

²⁵***Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;***

²⁶***That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,***

²⁷***That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.***

In the prayer of the Lord Jesus, he prayed for the believers, that they might be sanctified, because it is 'the will of God, even your sanctification.' It is evident that the believers were the people he prayed for, 'That He might sanctify them and cleanse them by the washing of water by the word.'

8.3 The Result of Sanctification In the Life of a Believer

Ephesians 5: 27

That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

This is what sanctification produces and accomplishes in the church, the body of believers, to be presented, "glorious, without spot, without blemish and without wrinkle", to

enable the believer to experience the awesomeness of a holy life. Of course, the church is not a building, but the people that are therein. When we say the church is made up of a body of individuals called out, they are called out of darkness into the marvellous light of Jesus Christ. Each member is called out, and when these individuals congregate together, they become the body of the called-out ones. Then, sanctification is required of each one of them. Are you sanctified? Sanctification is for each member of the body of Christ.

When a believer is sanctified, there is a distinct result. Yet many ask, is sanctification a possibility? Yes, it is a possibility, because many have been sanctified, many are being sanctified and many shall be sanctified. For Jesus has offered his prayer for as many as would appropriate it and as many as would believe it. Again, what does sanctification accomplish? That He might present it to himself a glorious church.

Sanctification makes a believer glorious. This has do with awesome power of a holy life. It makes the believer awesome. That is the grace in righteousness, it makes the Christian great

in righteousness, it makes the Christian big in righteousness, it increases the level of righteousness in the life of the believer. This is the reason that Jesus "might present unto Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing". If you find a spot in yourself, or in your dress, you may condone it. But God's aim is that there should be neither spot nor wrinkle in your life. A man's face may wrinkle with age, or may be by his own nature, he is such that you can see wrinkles on his face, but the desire of God is that there should be no wrinkle in your heart or in your life.

Wrinkle means lack of smoothness. It means some things have been covered, or overlapping on another. God does not want anything to look covered in your life. He wants plainness and smoothness in your life, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, anything that resembles spot or wrinkle or anything else that would produce uncleanness, darkness, and anything that produces suspicion or anything that makes one not smooth, plain, perfect, He doesn't want it. So, holiness is to bring you to that point in which there is no 'spot', or 'wrinkle' in your life, there is no any such thing, but that you should be holy and without blemish. That is the holiness of God.

The holy life is a gift of God that He gives to the believer by faith through the cross of Christ. You receive it, then you keep it and walk in it. He helps you to keep it. You live in it, because there is no old age in Christianity, and that is why it is without wrinkle. As long as you are a believer in Christ, the character of Christ should be formed in you. So, we do not only follow his footsteps or his examples, but we become like him. The image and nature of his character should now be printed upon our heart as we walk in him. The longer we live in Christ, this character develops in us more and more, and then evidenced by our actions and behaviour everyday as a lifestyle. There is no old age in Christ. Though our outward man perishes yet, the inner man is renewed day by day.

2 Corinthians 4: 16

For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.

Holiness of God is a continuous one, age does not affect it or else the age of God would have affected His holiness. That is it! You should always remain in that way: clean and holy. It is the gift of God.

Chapter 9

QUALITIES OF HOLINESS

2 Kings 4:8-9

⁸And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem, where was a great woman; and she constrained him to eat bread. And so it was, that as oft as he passed by, he turned in thither to eat bread.

⁹And she said unto her husband, Behold now, I perceive that this is an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually.

9.1 Pure Heart

The holy believer has a pure heart which is filled with fervent and unpretended love for God and his fellow man. This was the example we observed in Jesus. Christ in us produces the awesome quality of a holy life. This is the call of God unto us. It has been the call of God, and it is still the present call of God to you now.

Philippians 3:14

¹⁴I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

2 Timothy 1:9

⁹Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.

1 Peter 1:15-16

¹⁵But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

¹⁶Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

God is preparing believers to see Him; the holy man has a pure heart.

Matthew 5:8

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Pure! As the light that is shining in the room, amidst the darkness that makes it bright and you can see through to everywhere, that is how the light of Jesus is shining in the heart of a

believer. This results in purity and eliminates all darkness.

1 John 1:7

⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

"Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God". The holy and sanctified believer has a pure heart, a clean heart, a radiant and transparent heart. These are the people who will see God. What about the one that is born again but is not pure? He will not see God, because the grace of God is not perfected in his life. The gospel has not finished its work in him, so he cannot see God. It is only those whose heart has been made pure that can see Him, the holy people.

9.2 Love

The believers who are sanctified, those who have the light of Christ gloriously shining in them, those who have the finished work of the cross as a mark upon them, are the people who also manifest love as evidence, as their

allegiance and fellowship with Christ. Love is their language by manifestation.

John 13:35

³⁵By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Matthew 22:37-40

³⁷Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

³⁸This is the first and great commandment.

³⁹And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

'All the law': The law refers to all the writings of Moses. Then adding the poetry and prophetic writings of the Proverbs and Psalms, and also the writings from Joshua all the way up to Malachi, can be looked at as the writings. So, Jesus said 'all the law.' All that Moses and all the Prophets wrote about, it is love. So then, holiness is 'to live in love,' which is love towards God and love towards one's neighbour.

How should your love towards God be? The

Bible tells us that it should be 'with all your heart.' If your heart is worth one hundred thousand Dollars, it means that you should give the whole of it to God, as anything short of that is not holiness. For some who have personal business and cannot sacrifice it for the business of God, your love is not in holiness. You may say, 'oh why did the work come at this time?', and then you are in pain and misery. It means that you have not attained to the holy life, because, when your heart is worth one hundred thousand naira, you should give all of it to God. The Bible says 'With all your heart and with all your strength'. If anything is to be done for God, you must abandon every other thing and give all your strength for God. I am talking about holy life, all your strength is released inside that thing that is of God.

Then 'with all your mind': which deals with your thoughts, and your pleasures, delight and joy. Your heart should be joyful in God, should rejoice and glory in God; your whole heart should praise the Lord. Angels give the whole of their being to the praise of God; All their thoughts are to the glory of God. They have no time to think of themselves, or think of any

other thing outside of GOD. In fact, if angels would talk with you, it is to and pleasure of God. If they have time to think about any other thing, God must be inside that thing they are thinking about. God must be inside that relationship or else it is not a relationship that the holy man will engage himself in.

As a Holy Christian, all your mind and interest are the things that promote the interest of God. Those that will extend the kingdom of God and propagate the gospel, you must do it with all your interest. People who do not have bibles, and it does not bother them, cannot be considered to be holy? If your mind is preoccupied with your own pleasure, and all your interest is about your own business, you would not be able to think of how to furnish yourself with God. All your mind, and your thoughts should be in God; holiness all the time, that is what we are talking about, that is what Jesus came to do. Anything short of this makes the cross of Christ ineffective. It means the cross has not finished its work. Anything short of perfect love for God, does not work before Jesus.

Again, you must love 'with all your might,' and

with all your ability. Anything you can do it for God. "God desires such as: come and clean the church, let us do it without hesitation "it is wonderful to do it". You are to offer your strength willingly, and work without considering time or tiredness, because the name of the Lord is involved in what you are doing. All your ability and might, is put in this attitude of perfecting Holiness.

The Bible also says that you should love your neighbour as yourself. You should love your neighbour to the point you love yourself. The good you wish for yourself, wish the same for your neighbour, and the evil you do not wish for yourself, do not wish it for your neighbour. That is how the life of a true believer should be, in complete holiness.

9.3 Total Obedience

The holy believer is blameless and undefiled in his life. He keeps the whole commandments of God and he is obedient to all scriptural instructions of righteousness.

Psalm 119: 1-4

¹Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who

walk in the law of the LORD.

²Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart.

³They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.

⁴Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.

Let us observe these scriptures again and see holiness. It says, a life of un-defilement. There is no defilement or nothing that makes you dirty.

Now, let us examine the attitude and responses of the priest and the Levite.

Luke 10:25-27

²⁵And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

²⁶He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

²⁷And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.

When they saw the man that was knocked down by the thief on the way between

Jerusalem and Jericho; they did not come near him. Have you wondered why that was so? They may have feared that they would be defiled, hence they passed through the bush path and went away. That is defilement after the flesh. They wanted to keep themselves holy after the law but it lacked the love of the spiritual law. That is why the law never made anybody perfect because their heart was not pure even though they really wanted to keep the ceremonial law of the Lord.

Now we have the gospel, which has been revealed in all its fullness. God came to the world, walked in the world and deposited his nature among men. God has spread His Spirit everywhere. Now through Christ, grace has appeared to all men.

John 1:14

¹⁴And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

What is grace saying? Grace says, that as you saw that priest avoiding to touch that man because of the physical defilement also

holiness should keep you from defiling yourself in spirit, from any contact with anyone that will cause your heart to feel guilty, sinful or evil, in a way that will cause a feeling of offense towards God. Holiness does not provide for that. It does not provide for coming in contact with a man, a woman, or a situation that will render you defiled in your heart. Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord, who walk in the Word, and in holiness, walking in God's word, following God's word and doing God's word. 'Blessed are they that keep His testimonies.' The testimonies of scriptures are your delight and meditation and your life is fashioned by it. The righteous will always fashion his life according to the testimonies of scriptures and seeks them with all his heart. We must offer the whole heart and seek Him with the whole of our heart.

9.4 No Iniquity

The Holy believer also does no iniquity! No holy man practices sin. Holy believers, neither commits sin or speak sin. They do not think sin, or act sin. They maintain a holy and blameless life. They walk in the way that the Holy God has

commanded, knowing that to fail in spiritual life means that they have failed the commandment.

When you see a vision, you must pursue it to achieve success, if you fail; it is because you have not seen well. When you failed, you will seek help from God. You will pursue it now that you are still alive, instead of walking in your folly. He that knows not, and knows not that he knows not, is a foolish man. He is in danger and he does not know. If you are not walking in perfection of God and you do not know it, it is dangerous. That is why; I pray the Lord will open your eyes to know it.

Ephesians 1:17-18

¹⁷That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

¹⁸The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.

He that knows not, and knows that he knows not, is a learner, so must be taught. This teaching is to bring you to the point that you

will know that surely, "I do not know this." Then you will receive grace from God to know what you ought to know.

There is also another approach to this. He that knows, and knows that he knows, is a wise man. He who has attained this grace, and knows that his life is in the gospel, is the description of the holy life. He should continue in it because it is the life that will take him to God.

9.5 Walking in all the Commandments Blamelessly

Luke 1:6

⁶And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.

Brethren, I beseech you to open your eyes to what is said about this holy life which is walking in all the commandments of God, blameless. This include payment of tithe because failure to do so shows that you are not living a holy life. The business man that does not pay tithe, and take time to examine the business to know how much God has given to him, also to know how much he is to give unto

God, is not holy!

Some people believe that to be holy is sanctification of heart alone. It involves sanctification of heart and the practice you do, by walking in all the commandments and ordinances of God, blameless. If you are born again, and up till now, you are not baptised with water, what is your reason? It means you are not walking in the ordinances of God. Then, how are you holy? Again, if you are born again, yet you do not take Holy Communion, why? How are you holy? You are holy by heart sanctification which is the evidence of the finished work of Christ and in your lifestyle, by the instruction and obedience of the commandments of God.

Ephesians 5:22-24

²²***Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.***

²³***For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.***

²⁴***Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.***

Wives be subject to your husband as unto the

Lord. If you are not subject to your husband as unto the Lord, as a wife and be obedient to the commandment of God in the family, you are not holy. If you are not subject to your husband, but ruling, directing, and commanding your husband, well, you may be born again, but not holy. No!, because you are not subject to the commandments of God.

Ephesians 5:25

²⁵***Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it.***

The husband also is to love his wife, even as Christ loved the church. If as a man, you do not love your wife, or for a reason you have a problem with your wife and you abandon her somewhere, there is no holiness in your life, because you are not walking according to the ordinances and the commandments of God.

Children obey your parents in all things as in the Lord. And the child does not obey the parents, or he obeys in some things and not in all things that are right. Whatever he is does not touch him, there is no fear. He may be born again, but not holy. No! Why is it so? Because he is not walking in all the ordinances of God!

The Bible says, be subject unto the leaders God has given you. If you are not subject to the leadership of the church, and not obedient to instruction, but you are tough, rude, and stubborn, even though you profess being born again, you are not holy. Manifestation of these characters does not show holiness.

Jesus came with a perfect life. He came to institute a perfect life in man. He came to bring heaven down to earth. He told His disciples to pray 'thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.' There must be perfect holiness and perfect righteousness. The believer must stand fully and completely, on the word of God. There must be holiness in your workplace and holiness everywhere to perfection. That is, always walking in all the ways of God, blameless.

9.6 No Love for the World

The believer must be unspotted by the world, and has no love for it.

1 John 2: 15-17

¹⁵*Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world,*

the love of the Father is not in him.

¹⁶*For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.*

¹⁷*And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.*

There must be no love for the world, nor for the cosmetics of the world. There should be no inner desire to look fair; therefore, ensure your fairness is not coming from cosmetics. The desire to look fair and glorious, or to appear big is because of the pride of life. If that is in you, there is no holiness in your life. What is the reason behind your using some cosmetics soap? What product do you use and why do you use it? Is it because it will make you feel or look beautiful? Then forget holiness in your life for you have failed the test, you are not holy. You may speak in tongues, but you are not holy. The love of money, fame and fashion of the world should not be found in a holy believer.

9.7 Blameless and Harmless

Philippians 2: 15

¹⁵*That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst*

of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world.

“That ye may be blameless and harmless”! To achieve holiness, include your wife not blaming you in the area that is true and your husband also not blaming you in the area that is true. You are not to be blamed among your workers in the things that are true. You are not to be blamed among members of the church, in the areas that are true. You are not guilty of, accusations in the world in the areas or things that are true. If you are blameable as a pastor, you are not holy, you may be a leader or are a Christian worker, but you are not holy, because you are not blameless. God wants to take you to the point of blamelessness. That is why Christ wants us to be without spot. It is 'spots' that cause the blames, but He takes away those spots. He also wants to smoothen the wrinkles and clear the blemishes to make us 'blameless and harmless.'

My brother, why do people fear you? It is because you will do harm. People will not fear you if you are kind to them. The holy man is harmless! You will not fear Jesus except sin and rebellion is in you. If wickedness is in you then you will fear, because the wicked flee when no man pursues. Why would you fear a holy man,

if you are holy examine yourself, why are people running away? Why is your wife afraid of you? Why is your husband not having the boldness of a husband before you?

Beloved brethren, our emphasis is on being holy, perfect, blameless, harmless, and not speaking evil of any man to harm him. This is what the Bible says, that you may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God without rebuke in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom you shine as light in the world.

The holy believer is shines like light, the light shines and people that pass by can see it. That is the holy life in the world, in a crooked and perverse world where you are working and living. Whether you are working with the government or with the church, honesty in handling money is required. No matter where you are working, nobody should accuse you, not even your conscience. It is holiness all the way! God is training you for heaven, holiness within and holiness without, in this crooked and perverse world. When buying anything in the market be determined to be clean, blameless and harmless, do not cheat. Prefer to be they cheated. That is the holy life.

Chapter 10

HOLINESS AND PERFECTION

Luke 1:74-75

⁷⁴*That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear,*

⁷⁵*In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.*

10.1 Without Holiness we are Labouring in Vain

Philippians 2:16

¹⁶*Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.*

We are in danger of labouring in vain, if we are not able to bring people to perfection. If we cannot bring you to this state of holiness then our labour over you and preaching is in vain. If we helped you to be born again, but we could not make you holy, then our labour is in vain because you can not go

to heaven. Without holiness no man shall enter heaven.

Hebrews 12:14

¹⁴*Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.*

Although you can be appointed to be a leader, your position cannot give you heaven. No! You go to heaven by your holiness. You can be given a gift, or even a promotion but not Heaven. It is when true preachers finish their course and wear the crown, they look for those they have laboured on in Heaven, but when they do not show up, it is then that it is painful, as the labour is in vain. All the fasting and the prayers are in vain, because eventually you did not enter Heaven. What has the teacher benefitted, if he was not able to graduate a student who was later expelled?

What is the benefit of the church, pastor, and ministry, if they cannot make someone holy? When people do not know about holiness, and have not attained holiness, what benefit is it to that ministry, or denomination. When the pastors of that denomination do not know holiness, attain holiness, do not work in

holiness, what then, is the benefit? What is the benefit of you being here if you cannot be holy, perfect, complete, and completely righteous? Go back and take your decision again except you are living the Christian life for mere benefit on earth. Or maybe you want people to just call you a Christian or call you after your church. But, if it is for heaven, then you will change. It is a high, holy and heavenly calling.

Matthew 5:48

⁴⁸Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

“Be ye perfect even as your Heavenly Father is perfect.” Is it a small thing that you are compared with God? Is it a small thing that our Lord Jesus had to take you and compare you, not with an angel, but God? And said, “Be perfect as God is perfect”. You sit down in a lazy way, allowing flies to fly around you. By holding grudges in your heart and entertaining lusts in your heart and inordinate feelings for another is taking away heaven from you, though you are speaking in tongues?

10.2 Being Charitable

This is the picture that God wants you to have. Pure religion and undefiled life is that a person

should visit the fatherless and show kindness to the widows.

James 1:27

²⁷Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

Kindness, generosity and giving, is part of holiness. If you find it difficult to give, you are not holy, count yourself out of holiness. You can not give to your fellow man and to people in need. When giving grieves your heart and you find excuses to do so, it is because of the weaknesses of your life.

If you are not involved in giving for the gospel work in the church, if you are not involved, this disqualifies you as a holy person. When you are not paying your tithe up to the amount God gives you, you are defrauding God. The Lord knows what is in your account; He knows what is in your payslip. Many may conclude they have tried in achieving a level of Holiness judging themselves to have only failed in few. HOLINESS is three hundred and sixty degrees (360). It is a complete cycle. For you to complete 99, but offend in one, you have offended in all. That is

what the Bible says, be generous, be kind, be kindly affectionate, one to another with brotherly love and complete obedience in all things commanded by God is HOLINESS.

Romans 12:10

¹⁰Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another.

This is what the bible says, this is the vision of holiness. I have set before you this day, the vision of holiness. I have opened the curtain before you this day, the vision of holiness, that you might see it as fully as it is. If I come short of this vision, I will not be qualified to go to heaven, because I am not the originator of these laws, I am a student of God and a student of the bible as you are. Peter said to Cornelius, 'I am a man as you are, I cannot be worshipped.'

I am a man as you are, so this is the vision before me, it is the picture I have set before me. It regulates everything I do. It intensifies my prayers, it strengthens my prayers, it makes me cry and pray to make sure I attain this, else I know I have failed while I am still alive. So, it is a picture set before all men. The picture of holiness is a picture of perfection.

Chapter 11

THE POWER OF A HOLY LIFE

11.1 Holiness and Honour of God

God is holy, so also ought his ministers. Holy life of a minister is what the holy God demands. Such a life has the power of reverence, the power to attract honour and respect.

Isaiah 6: 1-4

¹In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

²Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

³And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

⁴And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

This is the glory that attracts reverence to God. It attracts worship, and people worship God for His holiness. They worship Him in heaven and on earth for His holiness. It compels honour and reverence. When man partakes of this, it attracts reverence, respect of fellow men, respect in the church, and in the world.

11.2 Honour and Respect for God's Ministers

If you are a holy minister, among other ministers, when people observe that you are holy, you will be respected and honoured. When you come to the church of God and let the church see holiness, and the leadership see holiness, you will be respected. The word says, you are a vessel unto honour.

2 Timothy 2: 20-21

²⁰*But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.*

²¹*If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.*

This is so because you have purged yourself from, defilement and has become an object of reverence. When the Shunammite woman saw Elisha, she told her husband, 'I perceive that this is a holy man of God, I see reverence and honour surrounding him.' There are people that bear reverence but are not reverent. They are not holy and righteous. The Bible says that Herod feared John because he was a just and holy man, he revered and honoured him, because he was a just and holy. Brother, despite your humble nature, and the fact that you are not educated, as well as your poverty, put on the garment of holiness, and you will be an honourable person on the earth, much respected in the church and in the society. Woman, your husband will respect you when he knows you do not tell lies, when he knows you are faithful and righteous altogether, then reverence shall come from him to you.

11.3 Power in Prayer

Holiness also manifests in prayer power as seen in the life of Elijah.

James 5:16-18

¹⁶*Confess your faults one to another, and*

pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

¹⁷***Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months.***

¹⁸***And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.***

When a man is holy, his prayers are very effective. The scripture shows the place Noah, Job, and Daniel had before God because of their righteousness and holiness.

11.4 Power of Speech

Proverbs 22:11

¹¹***He that loveth pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.***

The words that come out of the mouth of the holy man are pure, virtuous, acceptable and convincing. The listeners love to hear him more and will want to believe and obey.

Luke 4:22

²²***And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of***

his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

11.5 High Anointing

Psalm 45:7

⁷***Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.***

The Lord's dealing with the holy man is higher compared to other believers and ministers. The holy man enjoys closer relationship with God; hence, he has more of his knowledge, wisdom and understanding.

11.6 Unquestionable Submission of demons to the holy man's authority

Acts 19:11-17

¹¹***And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:***

¹²***So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.***

¹³*Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.*

¹⁴*And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, and chief of the priests, which did so.*

¹⁵*And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?*

¹⁶*And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.*

¹⁷*And this was known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.*

As examined in the scripture above, demons know Jesus for His Holiness, and they know Paul too. A holy man is respected and feared by demons.

11.7 The Power of Prosperity

Deuteronomy 28:1-2

¹*And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his*

commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

²*And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.*

Job 1:1-3

¹*There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.*

²*And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.*

³*His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the men of the east.*

The scripture above has made us to know, that God promises prosperity and spiritual blessings as a reward for an obedient and a Holy man or child of God as seen in the life of Job.

11.8 The Power of Protection and Deliverance

Proverbs 11:4

⁴Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness delivereth from death.

Daniel 6:19-23

¹⁹Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions.

²⁰And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: and the king spake and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?

²¹Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live for ever.

²²My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt.

²³Then was the king exceedingly glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken

up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.

It is evident that God covers the holy man with His protection power. No weapon formed against him prospers.

Isaiah 54:17

No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

1 Peter 3:10-13

¹⁰For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:

¹¹Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it.

¹²For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their

prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.

¹³And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?

11.9 Power of the Peaceful Life

Isaiah 32:17-18

¹⁷And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.

¹⁸And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

Peace of life is directly related to righteousness and holiness. The heart of the holy and trusting believer is kept by God in perfect peace. He has no guilt in his heart due to sins committed. He is not afraid of evil that comes on the wicked. Jesus the Prince of Peace is with him. Hence, he is peaceful.

John 14:27

²⁷Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

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1. To hold Crusades, Conferences and Revival meetings in churches and nations of the world, so as to bring sinners to Christ's salvation and believers to His holiness. (Acts 26:16-18).
2. To produce Christian literature that promotes salvation of souls, sound Bible teaching and holiness of believers in churches and nations of the world. (Luke 1:1-4).
3. To produce audio and visual taped messages for the spread of the gospel truth in churches and nations of the world.
4. To bring denominational churches into Christian unity through the belief and practice of the faith once delivered unto the Saints. (Eph. 4:12-15).
5. To support believers, ministers, ministries and churches with free Christian materials for their spiritual development in holiness. (Isaiah 65:1).
6. To raise members and supporters of Holiness

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7. To establish Christian bookshops in many places within and outside the nation, equipped with holiness materials for the promotion of holiness in the churches of Christ in the world. (Romans 17:17).
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15. To mentor Churches registered under the ministry on sound doctrine, holy living and ministerial establishment. (Titus 1:5-14).

16. To support believers, ministers and ministries financially where required for their spiritual encouragement and establishment in holiness.

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