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DEDICATION

FOREWORD

CHAPTER ONE

Knowing your future

Everyone talks about success. You have possibly read and probably have even taught about success yourself. To me success is intentional. It is not a miracle, you must have personal engagement. The truth is no one arrives on this earth a failure. Success is when preparedness meets an opportunity. In my researching and learning about this, I have found the definition of a vagabond. It is a collection of missed opportunities on one person. The devil plays an architecture role in producing a vagabond. And for everything the devil does in a person; he does it and puts a security for it. If he places poverty in you, he places security over that poverty. One of the ways he has secured poverty in people is their slothfulness. Many people in this life did not just start poor; they grew or are growing in poverty. Some were born in poverty because

they were born in a place where diligence is not honored. It is not possible to be diligent and not be disciplined. If you are not disciplined you are likely not to be diligent and if you are not diligent you are likely not become successful in all you do.

Success is intentional. You must intentionally plan your things and not just wait for things to happen. Success entails you spend most of your time with people you need not who need you. When you look at your future, you need to smile and energy should just flow in you.

In this book I will talk about the past. When I am talking about the past, I am not talking about what happened last year only but even what happened a minute ago.

Whatever you receive, you must categorize it to the past, present times or to the future. You need to work on this so that you can see where you can invest your money and resources. We are talking about the future you. Never go to your future with a small investment. Things like bills and debts belong to the past. You need to invest ten percent into your past. Twenty percent must address your present. In your present, there are things like food, transport, fitness, entertainment and health. Seventy percent should address your future. In your future there are things like investments, giving, savings and education. In all that you get, seventy percent should address your future. That is

what will make you successful in this life.

Do not walk into a thirty percent future. Most of the people spend their seventy percent into their past and twenty percent into your present and you are moving into an empty future. That is suicidal. Some actually have seventy percent in their past. Some, after a two hundred dollar increase they go around and pay condolences to the whole world. The way you consume resources in your present determines your future.

DISCIPLINE

Discipline is the effective management of time, energy and resources in the pursuit of your dream or your assignment. Discipline is the bridge between your dream and your success. Anything you dream of and you are not disciplined for; you will never arrive at it. No dream responds to a desire, it responds to discipline. The future you is not shaped by your desire it is shaped by your discipline.

Dr Mike Murdock once said, *"There are two pains in this world, the pain of discipline and the pain of regret. If you don't want to regret you get disciplined"*

Discipline is the ability to say no to the things you are able to do. Some of your abilities are in conflict to where you are going. Jesus could catch fish but he never started a fishery. Despite his ability he never got into it. Discipline is the mother of focus. You can never be focused if you are not disciplined. All people who are not focused have no place in greatness and have no place in the future. Every disciplined person is diligent. No lazy person will taste prosperity or success.

STEPS TO TAKE YOU INTO YOUR FUTURE.

1. Be grateful

Ungratefulness is a territory of poverty. You cannot be ungrateful and become successful. The future opens doors for the grateful people in this life. All ungrateful people will struggle tomorrow. Everyone who wants to help you is frustrated by your ungratefulness. The future is for the grateful. How do you treat someone who spends the day with your children? You need to be grateful. Ungratefulness is blocking you from your future. In this life I have learnt that the most painful thing is to meet an ungrateful heart.

2. Be obedient

Adam was not lazy but he got kicked out of the Garden of Eden by God. This was because of disobedience. You can never be in command if you don't obey commandments. The future belongs to those that obey. If you refuse instruction, shame is coming. Disobedience attracts poverty. Your future is barren in the absence of instructions. You will become poor, the bible says so. In the Bible, the people of Israel were living in whatever way they want and they were very poor. The future belongs to those who obey. Adam was kicked out because of disobedience.

3. Have the right network

Don't keep yourself in a network of people who keep you in the weakness you are trying to fight. Any time you surround yourself with bad network you are staying in the past. Do not keep bad network around you.

4. Work on your trust.

If Judas betrayed you, it doesn't mean John will betray you. If one woman offended you, it does not mean every woman betrayed you.

5. Take responsibility

If you do not control your mind, you will have problems. Start to feed yourself with the future that you desire, listen to the music that leads you to the future you want. The way you blame people shows how you are related to the past. The future is for those that take responsibility. The fact that you are alive does not mean you have a future. The future opens up for people who take responsibility. No matter what happened to before it is not supposed to happen to you again. Many people end up empowering their weakness because of what happened in their family.

6. Develop a radical attitude

A living fish does not flow with the current, it flows against the current. When ever you see yourself going with the flow you are dying. Just because everyone in your family takes alcohol it doesn't mean you should also have it. When others are poor and struggling with their lives, it doesn't mean you should be like them. When it now feels like you are dying as you step into the future, it is not you dying but is the past dying. When you are separating yourself from the past, you are not dying but the past is dying inside of you. You decide against your past. It's radical change. You don't pray against your past, you decide against your past.

CHAPTER TWO

Principle of Learning

The future opens up to learners. Why is it that there is a person who works for Bill Gates who will never be a millionaire? Why is it that certain people who work for the president will never become a councilor? There are people who are married to great rich families yet they themselves will never become rich. You need to learn. We cannot be separated by opportunities because opportunities happen to all. Every family in this world has an opportunity to meet great people. We are not separated by opportunities we are separated by the way we learn. Everyone has an opportunity to learn.

Pride has brought so many people to poverty. Do you know that there are people who think they know yet they do not know? How then do you tell a person with a College or University degree that you do not know certain

things? As you step into your future, be humble. Have humble ears too and not just humble knees only. You can kneel everywhere without humble ears. If you want to defeat poverty, be humble. There are people who have access to greatness but they can never be great because they have stubborn ears.

You can see a billionaire going to watch his child at school playing soccer and yet see a poor person sending someone else to represent them. You cannot say that you are too busy to watch your child yet a billionaire finds time. Can't you learn from them? Change your program. You can find that a high profile person consults a pastor when they are travelling and yet a poor person just disappears. Change is not forced but you decide. Your attitude towards learning determines your future. Some people know what you do not know. People are the cheapest library. You can access that library by your humility.

Isaiah 1:17

*Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed,
judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.*

Sometimes you do not want to learn the process but you want to know the current state of those who are successful. Your problem is that you want to learn my current state and not my struggles. There is no one who wants to sell a house and dig the foundation to show the buyer. Instead the buyer should go and study how the

foundation was done. It takes the wise to know how it started. There are things that can happen to you in the frequency of your learning. Learn to study how things started. You watch a movie and you just scroll and do not bother to read the credits at the end. You are attracted to pictures. When you are in a mining industry, study how successful mines started. There are books that are there. Everything you see today had its own struggles. We are not free by knowledge. The Bible says that you shall know the truth. It is not all knowledge that can make you prosper. You need to know the truth and it will prosper you. There is an element of truth in every area you want to go in life. Most believers wait for the future to open for them and they believe that it can just happen by chance. Any moment you feel discouraged, there is something you do not know. Once you get the truth, you cannot be discouraged.

All the poor-minded people trust their minds more than in writing. All the problems many people are having now are because they did not document something they were told. In your family, you have some members you can learn from. If you have knowledge and you cannot apply, it means you are ignorant. The future belongs to learners.

If you are not willing to learn, you are not willing to live. Even relationships are based on how much you learn not how much you love. Whenever you want a relationship to be strong, learning has to be there. Let not your

expectation be higher than your willingness to learn. Be willing to learn. Be open-minded and liberal. Learn.

Isaiah 1:17a

Learn to do right;

You might not have been born to do well but learn to do well. Be sociable. Learn to give. Certain things do not just happen. You must present yourself as a student in order to learn. Learning is not about closing yourself in a class. You learn life. Commit yourself to a tutor or mentor. Your ego will not do you good. Selfishness will leave you poor. The fact that you have what you want to do does not mean you know what to do.

It is because you do not know how. Everyone has knowledge of where but knowing how will take you from where you are to where you want to go. You can only get that knowledge through learning. You can learn through reading books or studying the lifestyle of a person. It is a waste of time to stay in your pain, counting your enemies or counting disappointments. The best you can do is to look at your strength. If you can only continue to look at your strength and not your failures you will get to your destiny. You can't continue to learn from your failures. Keep going! Continue to go! Your life is not locked in your failures but in your strength. That is enough.

It is difficult to even say the prophet Samuel failed to prophesy in Jesse's house. Because he anointed the right person the 7 times of failure were disregarded. The issue is he anointed David and he is known for his heroic acts and many other great things. We can't waste our time looking at what we failed. Look into the strength inside you more than what your eyes can see. Hindsight can cheat you.

HOW TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE GROWING TOWARDS YOUR FUTURE

1. Your association

Who do you value to be around you? People around you are not just friends they are a way of thinking. You cannot walk with the person who does not want to pray and become prayerful.

2. Your values

Every vision has a value system. If you fail on the value system, you have failed on your vision. If you want to have a PHD, to be a pastor, to be married; they are corresponding values to that. Hold on to what makes you what you want to become.

3. The way you respond to and value your pastor.

The Canaan you want has a person sent to take you there. Israel needed to go to Canaan but they did not know that they needed to listen to Moses to get there. Your disobedience to the person sent to you is the sign that you do not want to go. They never knew that their arrival in Rome had something to do with Paul. The fact that God has chosen me to lead people in Heartfelt International Ministries to where they are going means they need to listen to me. "Believe in his prophets and you shall prosper", says the word of God. You must have faith in your pastor and you have to choose to believe. I can tell where you are going by your obedience.

4. Your ability to listen.

At one time my spiritual father, prayed for me and I remember the words that he said. He said God give them wise ears. There are ears and there are wise ears. You must have wise ears. Too many distractions will come and close your future.

5. The way you value your children.

If get into your children's bedroom, are the blankets good? Are your children's beds better? Why let your children drink in plastic cups, and you use ceramic ones? Why buy clothes for them in the second hand shops? It tells your future when you buy expensive clothes and your children

wear cheap ones. If you wear clothes more expensive than your children's school fees you have no value for their future. If you bring visitors and take your children out of their bedrooms for the guests' sake you don't value your future. If you do not have anywhere to keep guests take them to a hotel. Do not let your children to hate visitors because you are not organized. Do not take away the comfort of your children because of guests.

All those that struggle, may just not know the reason why. Those who stay in Palace are grateful. You cannot be successful when you are not grateful. When you are in the right place, make sure that you do the right thing. Your blindness should not block you from getting what you are intended to collect.

Your association tells you something about your future. People are grouped into three groups, past, present, future. Carry the present to the future. If you are not wise, your entire budget will perish on people from your past. There are people who are called for your future which you should put your resources into. Most people spend time with people who need them and not those who they need. By the time, you will go to the people who you need you will be exhausted. If I see your child's school I can tell you your future. Be careful to put all your money into the past people, because they will leave you stranded. There are people who do not belong to your future but to your past. Those past people have put you in

their heads to an extent that when you want to make another decision, they can still control your future even when they are not there. How many have heard their child when they say I want to do the work that you are doing? This statement is not light. They are just saying, when I see you, I see my future. My question is, when you look at yourself is that the future you want your child to have? There are people who are not other people's inspiration .The future of your child is what you are doing now. When you are arranging your budget, be careful to where you are putting your money.

CHAPTER THREE

Laziness

There is no success in laziness. You will never be successful in laziness. All lazy people have long sleeping hours. Sleep is their leading character.

CHARACTER OF A LAZY PERSON

There is nothing that will make you manifest your vision other than your diligence. It has to be total diligence. Make sure you are fully there when you are doing something. You have to put your all in what you do. Any idea you have but is not backed by diligence is not an idea. Lazy people always want to work in comfort. They always want an environment that is comfortable. Comfort is a harvest; therefore you have to work to have it.

Proverbs 20:4

The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold: therefore shall he beg in harvest and have nothing

Everyone who cannot work under pressure does not deserve to be at the top. Comfort is the number one robber of glorious destinies. If one gets weaker under pressure it is a sign they are not prepared for greatness. In the day of adversity one should show that they can make it. You must work under pressure even when things are adverse. You cannot sit because things are hard. Work! I have seen people who became 'grower of the year' during a year of adversity. Laziness will never give you honor. You must not fail to take responsibility at any given time when the dream is yours. Why do you fail to pursue it? Every dream is a demander. Many things in life do not happen when you are seated.

Lazy people cannot follow. They cannot follow good leadership, follow good examples follow instructions. You cannot be a follower when you are lazy. Following is too hard for lazy people. There are many people who were titled 'hard' by many people, yet it was their laziness. Laziness makes you misinterpret people. You call them 'hard' because you do not want to work. If you have a vision but you still need supervision you don't have a vision at all. Be addicted to your vision. All lazy people have

empty desires. They have a high frequency for desires yet none of them come to pass.

Proverbs 13:4

The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing while the soul of the diligent is richly supplied.

We are not as rich as our desires but we are as rich as our diligence. Desire without diligence will frustrate you and put you in jealousy. It will put you in too much competition with people. You will end up borrowing. Do not allow your desire to go higher than your desire to work. All nations today that are making progress are running their lives on diligence. All their lines of productivity do not close, because there is diligence. Any desire that does not meet diligence becomes acidic to you. It will kill you.

Proverbs 21:25

The desire of the slothful killeth him for his hands refuse to labour.

Your desire is not enough to bring a car to your garage. No lazy person can possess what is promised.

Judges 18:9

And they said, Arise that we may go up against them for we have seen the land and behold it is very good and are

ye still? Be not slothful to go and to enter to possess the land.

Between what is promised to you and the reality of it, there is diligence. You have to work for it. Some people need to be put under pressure. Every lazy person is a waster. Wastage is found among lazy people. They waste resources, opportunities, relationships, everything!

Proverbs 18:9

He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a waster.

Whenever you start to see wastage in your house or company, quickly locate laziness! There is no sense of value to any lazy person. You cannot leave things in the hands of a lazy person and find them the same way. No! There is wastage. All lazy people love pleasure. There are certain people who, no matter if it is a small party or function, if they are not invited, they feel the whole world has crumbled. Only flies follow an odor, bees fly for an agenda. You will end up borrowing to keep an appearance. Lazy people will always be pursuing parties. What you are doing is a sign you have no responsibility.

Proverbs 21:17

He that loveth pleasure [shall be] a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.

You should work on your identity or you will end up having an identity crisis. Identity is a matter of position not what you are wearing. Women were created by God just to become beautiful, but most of them then started looking for things to work on their beauty and not acknowledging their natural beauty. They now live a life of experimenting. As a woman, before you do your make up, work on your belief system. You are beautiful. A smell must become a brand to you.

All lazy people do not process whatever comes to them.

Proverbs 12:27

The slothful [man] roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man [is] precious.

Nothing raw carries value. Africa is considered poor. It is because it does not process what it gets. When you are lazy you don't process anything. That is why most of the people in business think of importing and selling instead of manufacturing their own products. Laziness of the mind is more dangerous than that of the hands.

Proverbs 24:30-33

I went by the filled of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding. And lo, it was all grown

over with thorns, [and] nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down. Then I saw and I considered it well: I looked upon [it and] received instruction. [Yet] a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep.

You cannot waste security on lazy people. With the way you sleep, if you get \$100 a month it's a miracle. One of the greatest threats of wealth is sleep.

Proverbs 6:9

How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? When wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? Most of these lazy people don't finish anything they start. Any moment you start something and you don't finish it, you are lazy

Proverbs 19:15

Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.

If time does not move you, you are lazy. Lazy people do not respect time at all. It does not matter to them. They are never in a hurry. Lazy people can destroy relationships. If you are lazy, poverty will torment you. This year, adjust your sleeping hours. You have your annual goals, divide them into months and each month must be a step to make it happen. Divide each month into weeks and each

one must contribute towards achieving your goal. The days must contribute to what you must achieve. Time of "taking time for granted" is over. Success is intentional. All great habits were tough at the beginning but the more you do it the more it becomes your lifestyle. What are the goals to make you achieve what you want? Most people have goals, which they wait for and not work for.

Proverbs 19:15

Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.

All lazy people love to sleep and they are reckless with their sleep. Any moment you are just sleeping you are lazy. Your sleep can be a threat to your destiny .If you want your vision to manifest you need to work very seriously. By sleeping, you are just sleeping on your destiny.

Proverbs 26:14

As the door turneth upon his hinges, so doth the slothful upon his bed.

Poverty and sleeping are very close friends. All those people who sleep more are poorer. You cannot walk in revelation if you to sleep more. Too many exchanges happen when you are sleeping. All people who love sleeping have exchanged their life. That woman (in

Solomon's judgment) lost her child because of sleeping. If you know what happens when you are sleeping, you will wake up.

I want you to be so diligent so that lazy people cannot come close to you. Any moment you find people around you being lazy it's a sign that you are not diligent. Have you ever seen how successful people have offices at their home? It shows you they have few hours of sleeping. In every area there are people who are outstanding in that area. Study their working hours. I love what they do to pilots. They work with hours. Their flight hours will tell them their progress. All leadership is about taking responsibility. The price of greatness is taking responsibility. You can never be an expert in any area that you are in by your sleeping.

Proverbs 12:24

The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute

If you are diligent you can go anywhere and rule. If you are lazy, just know that your costs are going to increase. There is no increase to the lazy people. Lazy people want to be fed by someone. Some women are just looking forward to be married so that they will be taken care of. Any area you don't contribute you are losing life because the system we are living is on contribution. Whatever is not contributing is dead. You live by contributing something.

True love gives and not receiving always.

Proverbs 19:24

A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again

Lazy people want helpers for everything. There are women who lost their marriage by laziness because they want their maids to do everything for their husbands. They cannot do anything on their own. There are men that are lazy to an extent that they cannot wash their own cars. You know that you want to be at church by 9am but still you wake up late. Laziness always finds excuses. Lazy people do not prepare for something they just appear. Lazy people are not precise in anything they do. All people of excellence are precise in everything. You do not need to tell anyone that you are diligent, we can see it. Do you know that nowadays there are women that cannot even sew clothes? You want your marriage to work with prayer yet you are lazy. All lazy people have way to exaggerate everything. If you want to destroy your future, surround yourself with lazy people. If you have are twenty five years old and your best asset is still a clothes you are lazy. Lazy people measure their success with clothes.

A lazy believer wants miracles only; they don't want to take responsibility. You must know that we cannot transform our community by salaries. You must work to

create income. If you are going to work, you must have another way of having more income.

Proverbs 26:15

The slothful hideth his hand in his bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth

God gave us hands as master tools for our lives. Your hands must bring you money. God waits for you to start something so that he can bless you. Some of you must buy yourself a countdown watch so that can see that you are behind time.

YOU WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE BECOMING LAZY;

1. When you become 'Unteachable'.

It is easy for a lazy person to argue because they have nothing else to do. When you become unteachable you are planting laziness.

Proverbs 26:16

A sluggard is wiser in his own eyes than seven people who answer discreetly

A lazy man can argue with seven wise men alone. I have seen that most people think they need many mentors but that is just because they do not listen they are stubborn. One mentor is enough because the principles of success are universal. Lazy people are very stubborn people. May God give all mentors patience.

Proverbs 6:6

Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise

It is the wise that are diligent.

2. When you become difficult to send.

One needs to have a good vocabulary to get a lazy person to do something.

Proverbs 10:26

As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the sluggard to them that send him.

When your parents struggle to send you, when your wife or your husband struggles to send you, your boss or your pastor, how then do you attain success?

It is only lazy people who are difficult to send. You can actually create unnecessary tension by sending them.

Ecclesiastes 10:18

By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.

A lazy person is an environment of devaluation. Anything valuable loses value in their hands. Being lazy is the same as being acidic. Just one's presence, things lose value. When you are lazy, everything loses value. You cannot keep anything of value when you are lazy. Blaming the devil will never bring success to you.

Romans 12:11

Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

Money will never respond to lazy people. There are too many Christians in business today but many are lazy. Money is not a Christian; it does not come to you because you speak in other tongues. It comes

to those who are diligent...

Matthew 25:26

His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

In the kingdom of God to breakeven is laziness. Here (on the above scripture) you see this man brought back what he had received. It is called slothfulness and wickedness. It is wickedness to be lazy.

3. WHEN YOU MAKE MULTIPLE EXCUSES.

How many excuses do you make in a day? If you can still honour excuses it is a sign you are not serious about your destiny. Every poor person is good at excuses.

Proverbs 20:4

The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing

The excuses you are making today will produce a professional beggar tomorrow. Even after begging, you will have nothing. Poverty flourishes in excuses.

There is the story of David in the bible. David killed Goliath at 17 years old. A teenager made impact

in the whole country. There is Daniel who was a teenager thrown into the lion's den and conquered. Joseph the dreamer achieved a lot before he was 30 years. Josiah was a king at 8 years. I want to tell you that you are not young to pursue that dream; you are not young to make impact. If you are a parent teach your children to be diligent. Abraham started his journey at 75 years of age. At 90 years old, he was looking forward to a city. I want to also tell you that you are not too old for your vision. I have never seen success that happens in comfort. Laziness is the only thing to kill someone's future. Some people are too lazy they cannot even finish a 35-paged book. They are even lazy for their own spiritual growth.

It doesn't matter how many "Amen's" one shouts in church, if you are lazy you will remain poor.

Small issues matter to lazy people. When one is lazy, issues become tasks. I know that if that sharp mind of yours is backed by diligence this world will become too small for you.

4. When you are a host of fear.

You cannot be effective in laziness without fear.
One needs to be afraid to have laziness.

Proverbs 22:13

The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.

Lions are found in the game park or in zoos. When one is not doing business because they think there is a lion out there they are too lazy. Lions are not in the street, there are businesses in the streets.

Go for that lion. You cannot be a master in your jungle unless you defeat your lion. Be the lion and rule that street. I am looking forward to seeing believers having their own streets.

Diligence is painful at the beginning but it becomes a lifestyle after a little while. You will actually get bored by not doing anything.

5. When you have a high appetite for food.

Proverbs 23:21

For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.

One should eat for strength and not just eat because it is available. When someone gives you a bowl of fruits they don't mean to say you have to

finish it. You will see someone who does not have a provisional driver's licence going to the food court to buy food every day. That is slothfulness. People who sell food do not look at one's shoes; they will still sell food to someone with a torn shoe. A lazy person's appetite is a good market for others.

CHAPTER FOUR

Principle of Confidentiality

The future opens for people who understand confidentiality. Your dream is under attack because of how you can't keep things to yourself. For some people, even God does not trust them with great things because of lack of confidentiality. Real money circulates in confidentiality. Real business is not exposed. The higher you go, the more confidential you must become. Billions of dollars cannot be signed in the public but in private. You cannot be going higher without understanding the principle of confidentiality. Every established person has a security network. You may miss a lot of money for not just

mastering confidentiality. There is too much excitement in a poor-minded person when they meet greatness. A poor-minded person is invited somewhere and they tag along other people. A poor-minded person is given someone's phone number and they share it with other people. If you are like that just know that it will be the last time for you to associate with greatness. Once trust is lost it is not easy to retain. A house takes time to build but it doesn't take time to destroy. All people who are at the top can read if a person is fake, committed or just interested. There are things that you are supposed to do for you to be in the future you want. The higher you go in life, the more confidential you need to become. Most of the people who are low have a low level of confidentiality. Whether you want to relate with God, politics, in business, or in whatever you want to do in life, you have to maintain confidentiality.

Real progress needs someone who is confidential. People who want to make it in life are must master confidentiality. Most of the people will call it misfortune, yet they are not confidential. They just do not know how to behave in the palace.

Of all the books that were written by David, he never mentioned himself delivering Saul from demons. Therefore, would you be shocked if you saw David going higher in life.

All those that you see being low in life, give yourself time to study them; you will find out that they are not confidential. Every family that talks too much is very poor. You cannot be a King if you cannot keep secrets.

The future is for those who can store high-profile information. That vision of yours, need this character of confidentiality. This is very simple but millions of dollars are lost because of this. I want you to open the doors for more money. Even in heaven, there is also confidentiality. No one knows the day of Rapture and Jesus said that only the Father knows. There are people who meet president everyday but they never tell anyone. If you are given a phone number it does not mean that you have to share it no matter how desperate the person who is asking is.

You must get into your future as a new person. You have to decide a new future for yourself and no one can do it for you. The future opens up to people who are confidential. Confidentiality is the character of high profile people. There are people who are qualified, educated and they have not been given certain positions because of their confidentiality. Confidentiality is a must. There are certain positions you cannot be given because of your confidentiality level.

Confidentiality is a master key to one's success. Everyone who wishes to go higher, make this as a principle. Do not make someone who is about to open up to you or trust you feel that you are too open when it comes to keeping secrets. If it seems that it is not important to you, it does not mean that it is not important to them.

CHAPTER FIVE

The Past

Be so determined to have a meaningful turnaround in your life. Do not waste your time and resources. You have moments to make your life better. Everyone is coming from a past and some of the things that happened in the past were not because of your decisions: they happened because they were supposed to happen. Probably it was because you were naïve or ignorant. Most people are a continuity of their past despite availability of current and future opportunities. They remain the same despite the addition of months and years to such an extent that some are still doubtful that they can ever have a better future. We do not choose where to begin but where we end. You were born in that family whether you like that family or not. Nothing will change! That is how it is. It is Divine.

Everyone has the right to a fresh start. The best news is no one has already failed tomorrow. There is nothing you cannot change about your future. The surprise of your future is to meet your past. No matter your years of failure, you still have a chance of a glorious future. Your future is waiting for one decision to make it a glorious future. Your future is not framed by your body structure. It is in your mental position. The way you think!

Most of you are battling past battles that is why it is still very difficult for you to walk out of their past. You have too many people who are ready to enjoy your past stories. Some people make friends based on their past stories, that is why they are still locked in their past. You do not have a friend but you have a past. It is easy for anyone to relate with someone because of the past and not the future. People say you are normal when you talk of your past and mentally challenged when you talk of your future. The future has been waiting for you but it has not yet seen you since you are still in your past. Your past only attracts sympathizers. You can have multiple opportunities but not see a change in your life because you are still stuck in your past. The future should be planned for. You do not just walk into it is as if God will just give it to you. You have never failed in your future. Even the devil has no power to fight you in your future. He only uses your past and present. Your doubt of your future does not diminish

God's value. You are the one who becomes less human in your future. We all have glorious distinct futures but we have heavily damaged pasts that we are still holding onto.

Philippians 3:13

Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

You have one thing to do: Forget the Past.

The fact that you are coming from a past that is not attractive does not make your future a bad future. It does not make you an ordinary person in the future.

HOW TO DEAL WITH A SHADOW:

Increase light upon yourself. If you want to deal with the past, surround yourself with enough light so that darkness will disappear. The past has its residence in your mind. It sits in your mind. You have to take a stand to address it in your mind. You do not pray against your past, you decide against your past. Prayer will put you in an emotional mode to remember it more. You will feel like you are talking to God yet you are talking to your past. You will end up crying thinking you are in God's presence yet you are in the presence of your past.

The past stays in your brain. Your memory is already full. Delete and open space for the future. If you want to go to the past God will never provide a leader for you, you will go there alone. Leaders only take you to the future not the past. When you have too much of your past, the past is enough to be more devilish than the devil himself. Some of you make your decisions based on your past not your future. A past is dangerous. It makes all current opportunities useless. If you want to go to the future, God will provide you with partners. People do not want to relate to your future that is why most people do not relate to you. They just start falling off. Mourners are not invited, they gather by themselves.

No one should have a better yesterday but a better future. Because you are dwelling too much on your past, the past wants to cripple you. You cannot keep holding to your past and gain an identity. If you are mediocre today: having poor decisions, having poor or wrong associations, you are making your past official. Nothing drains your energy like your past. Anytime it wants to show up, it can because the past is in your brain. All people who are obsessed to the past are procrastinators. They are slow. Every moment you see yourself struggling with procrastination, you are still dwelling in the past. Your momentum is reduced by your past pains. Your past pain can reduce your current speed. You can never be a risk taker when you are obsessed with the past. Your future is waiting for you. As a man of God, I cannot lay my hand

on you to delete your past; you have to decide to leave your past. Do not pray against your past, you are just refreshing it! All people who are obsessed about the past are obsessed about what people think about them. It is as if you live for the people around you. Re-orient yourself.

Philippians 3:13

Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended but this one thing I do, forgetting those things, which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things, which are before,

You have to discard your past in your mind. You cannot have a glorious future if you have the past in your mind. How do you know that this person is past obsessed? They can still be worried about what people are saying about them. They cannot feel any confidence in themselves. Whenever you are still worried about what people are saying about you, you have a problem, because one fact is you cannot control their brains.

Past-obsessed people procrastinate in everything. They do not have any confidence. They plan every year and do nothing. They always feel unfit, unaccepted, they feel like they are not that important, and below other people. It is a struggle for the past-obsessed to believe that they are handsome or beautiful. God wants you to be unique not to be like others. When the devil wants to seize you, he

makes sure that, you feel like there is something wrong with you or your body structure. God wants you to be unique and he loves you the way you are. Anytime you feel inferior, there is something wrong with your past, look into your future.

All past-obsessed people are very emotional, they can easily cry because of small situations. You cannot face the future with tears on your cheeks. All people who are past obsessed they always deduce helpers that come into their lives wrongly. They always see every helper as very suspicious. I would say to you, interpret helpers very well. Some of them are coming to change your future forever. There are certain people who you need to keep in your life so that they can train you towards your future. You cannot be in Canaan and in Egypt at the same time. Choose where to belong. You cannot be in your past and in your future at the same time. The fear of disappointment still holds many people's confidence.

You need to protect yourself. You need to set a network of your future and delete those of the past. Deliver yourself from people who remind you of your past. You need encouragers in your life. If you find yourself around people, and they are people who always utter bad news, remove those people in your life. Those people are very dangerous. When you see yourself complaining about everything in life, be careful, you might be heading back to the past. You cannot always be complaining and

expect to meet your future at the same time. Whatever you are going to become depends on what you are going to think about your future now. There are certain things or steps one takes that show they are serious about your future.

CHAPTER SIX

Principle of Relationships and Love

The future opens to those who respond well to relationships and love. When one gets a tyre puncture whilst driving on the road, someone can get help faster and another person will end up selling their car because they have no one to help them. Sometimes in life we have the same problem but it is not an issue of the problem but how we respond to relationships. You will never like it encountering a problem when you don't have good relationships. At times people who are your neighbours love you but they may not just show you. You will see that when your house catches fire, they will come and help

you. You go to church and you don't want to attend home groups/cell/ section meetings, you don't want to greet people, you don't want to bring other people to church or even join a church department. When you are at church, you are like a billboard. Not every billboard is converted to a sale. Of all the people in the church you attend how many people know you? One Young man came to me and said "Please pray for me I want to contest to be a councillor" and I asked him "How many people in this church here at the International Overflow Centre know you?" He told me that only a few knew him. I told him "You have already lost before you contest." You can't be in politics and not relate well with people. Many are unemployed because they are poor in relationships. The way you respond to relationships tells your something about your future. Money flows in relationships.

You find love in giving and not in receiving. Most of the people see love in receiving so they are not responsible in giving. In addition, it seems like one has no heart when they don't receive. It is wrong to define love as sweet. There are times when love seems to be tough, and time consuming. Love was designed to create progress for your life. Most people when they see love, they want to be called beautiful. Respond to love very well. Love is more than affection. It needs people who when they meet they can improve each other. The affection is there but love was designed for more than that.

Love is not only affection. If you are married, your wife is there to make you a star; your husband is there to make you a star. Learn to respond very well to love .Which bank would you withdraw money where you have not deposited. You give love. The bible says that love your neighbour as yourself not the neighbour love you as you wish. Be like Jonathan, when David was in the bush, he took his food, garments into the bush in order to relate with David who was in the bush to secure his future. That is love.

THE TRUTH

The Bible says that know the truth and it shall set you free .You can collect knowledge from the whole world and if it is not true you will suffer. Is what you call knowledge the truth? We cannot do anything without truth .I wish every one of you get this wisdom.

You need to invest in your future. There are some people who can take care of the extended family at the expense of their children. The people who surround you can tell how your future is going to be. Surround yourself with positive people. The biggest destiny killer is wrong associations. There are people who need you but you do not need them.

There are certain believers who borrow and forget they borrowed. They borrow too many people and they end up forgetting. Having favor in borrowing is not from God. The devil gives you favor in borrowing. There are certain families where every member of the family can just go outside and borrow. It is not good to borrow for food and clothes.

CHAPTER SEVEN

Meeting Your Future

The day you walk out from your past, is the day you will meet your future. The greatest challenge of people today is to walk free from their past. This is due to many things they did: It may be lack of prayer, wrong associations or some situations that just went out of their control. However, all these reasons will never validate the reason for one to stay in their past. The future has rules of engagement. Today is yesterday's future. When I see what you do today, I can tell what you will become in the future. Your daily routines are already prophecies of your future. Things do not just happen. There are certain things you have to do to make those things happen and unless you do those things, you become a victim of circumstance.

MOVE TO YOUR FUTURE!

Luke 5: 1-3

And I came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret, And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.

The pain you have, you had it before you received a revelation or before an encounter with Jesus. Even when you fail you are no longer the failure because there is someone inside you. The day you shall start to discover the potential inside of you is the day you will resurrect yourself. Some of you are waiting for what you like to be confirmed in you yet there are so many things in this life that you don't like that carry your breakthrough. Look inside yourself not in your past. Greater is He that is in you. There is nothing greater in your past. There are things you don't need anyone to do for you.

Isaiah 52:1

Awake , 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.

There are people whose strength is locked away. You have strength and intelligence but you want to pretend that you do not know. How come you can still hear the sound of the bitter words said in your past? You have strength! Jesus did not heal Bartimaeus before he first changed his clothes. If you are still holding onto your past, the future will not open for you. It is the change in you that determines who shall come and who shall be attracted to you. If you still see people in your past continuously attached to you, it shows there is nothing new in you.

Every change requires two things: new structure and new strategy. Your change should have a new strategy. You should shake yourself from the dust. Do not complain that they are walking on you yet you are a doormat. Shake yourself from the dust and rise to your feet. Walk boldly from the pains of the past. Your attitude towards yourself is based on how you liberated yourself from your past. Never have a better yesterday. Your best days must

always begin your future. If you are not seeing the best days, it's a sign you are not willing to work for it. You need to have a passion and an addiction to be so consumed in your future. Don't just like your future, be committed to it.

What is your attitude now? You failed in the past, yes, that is okay but what's next? Will you continue crying or praying? Never be a repeat of your past in your future. Make bold decisions that refuse the past to come into your future. Shake yourself from the dust. You have a personal responsibility to do so.

Isaiah 52:2

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

You might be currently bound. God knows you are a captive. He knows you are bound but he is asking you to lose yourself from the past. Don't allow pain to decide your future. You cannot meet the future at the influence of your pain. I have seen there are people who refuse to eat when they are angry. Eat and deal with those issues while you're full. When a cricket is angry, it cuts all its legs yet it still wants to walk. It does all that because of anger. Don't lose yourself because you are angry. You can see someone getting angry until their whole face is swelling. They are the ones suffering not those who offended them. People don't offend you but they just reveal your level of

pride. What responds is not what they did but the abundance of pride in you. You start to feel like you have rights or you have much more strength than them. Jesus' humility made him enjoy in his suffering. You will see that you don't have many problems. It's only just an abundance of pride. All that you are wasting is yours. If you could only zoom in and see how the person who offended you is sleeping peacefully whilst you are having sleepless nights. You may struggle to eat yet your enemy is having a seriously solid meal. That is mortgaging your future to other people. Who said people should love you? Jesus said 'Love your neighbor' not 'Be loved by your neighbor'. You are the one who should love.

Move to your future! Some of the things that you went through are too bad, but even if you keep on remembering them what will it benefit you? It might look small, but do this for yourself: Take a step to walk free from your past. Let other people help you too. Doctors do not need to be sick to treat you. They know what you are going through. As you cut a tree, it still remains standing until that one last part which will be cut to make it fall. Never undermine the prayers you are making and the seeds you are making. Just that last prayer or last step will cause the breakthrough you want.

LOVE YOUR FUTURE

The future will not welcome you when it can see the past written on you. Do not waste your years because of what happened in the past. Take a step forward, whatever has happened has happened. Never allow disappointments to define you. Never allow what you fail to do to become your identity. Your failures do not make you a failure. Do not allow the past to control your future. Any day I see you walking with your head down, I know you are still listening to the voices in your past. If you did not have anything that was solid in the past, you have a future now to make it happen. Love your future, leave your past and move to your future. When you cut down a tree, the day you cut it, it will remain green for a while yet it is already disconnected from its source of food. Do not look at your past as if it is still controlling you. No matter how green it may still look past and it's like its still holding you, you have already won.

You become the best environment for everyone if you are futuristic. Enjoy yourself. Do not waste your time carrying the luggage of the past yet you are travelling to your future.

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