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# INTRODUCTION

Welcome to your moment of direction, transformation and glorification. May I have the privilege by the Holy Ghost to introduce you to this 'road map' to destiny which the Holy Ghost titled; Adventure to a Glorious Destiny.

Let me begin by saying that many do not understand what destiny is or mean. They take everywhere that looks like a destination to become destiny. When you don't know where to go from where you are, where you become where you are going. When everything around you has been exhausted, you become frustrated and stagnated. Many have settled for less because they have

concluded that there is nowhere else to go from where they are.

To settle for less will eventually make you a less privileged entity, and not a glorious entity. A glorious entity never settles for less. You will be unjust to destiny if you accept to settle for less. The bible says in **Prov. 4:18** *“But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.”*

This means that the just have no limitation or settlement in their journey to destiny. Those who are just and fair to destiny look for more and more in their path. Understand that there is no such thing as a ‘perfect day’ as long as there is breath in you. The day Christ will come is the perfect day. It is the day we will

all fully arrive at destiny. Christ is our destination, which means heaven. So, don't accept anywhere or anything here on earth as your destination. You may dwell there for long but it is certainly not your destination.

God said to them in Deut. 1:6-7 ***"The LORD our God spake unto us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough in this mount: Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mount of the Amorites, and unto all the places nigh thereunto, in the plain, in the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the sea side, to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great river, the river Euphrates."***

This scripture simply means there is no ceiling on your destiny as far as this life is concerned. Don't arrive at

any point in your life and call it your destiny. He said to them ***“go to the sea side, land of the Canaanites, Lebanon, the great river and the river Euphrates”***.

This is what is called the glorious destiny.

You are in the realm of thousands today? Refuse to call it your destiny. There is a realm of millions. You are in the realm of millions today? Refuse to call it your destiny. There is a realm of billions. Refuse to call the realm of billions your destiny because there is a realm of trillions, a realm of multiple trillions in naira, dollars, Euros and pounds.

Friend, the spirit of “I am okay here”, is a spirit of limitation, and stagnation. I curse such spirit in operation in your life in the name of Jesus Christ. Do you desire a glorious destiny but don’t know how to get



there? This book is for you. Adventure to a Glorious Destiny is packaged holistically to position you to shine more and more till you arrive at your glorious destiny (The Perfect Day).

So friend, read and comprehend it as you apply it to your daily life. Your destiny will know no limitation again. I pray that your encounters through this book will count all the days of your life in the name of Jesus.

# **CHAPTER ONE**

## **Destiny has no Destination**

In Christ, you are not destitute but ordained for a glorious destiny. Your glory in Christ has no glooming but ever blooming. You are only destitute when you let your current position becomes your destiny. The power of Christ in you has no limit of what it can achieve through you. Every child of God is ordained for continuous progress.

You are ordained a forever forward-moving entity, not a move and stop entity. As far as your destiny is concerned, you are not a move-and-stop entity, but an ever-forward moving individual. We serve an ever

forward moving God and He is committed to moving you forward. When you stay at one point for long, God becomes angry, because He never ordained you to be stagnated. He said ***“You have dwelt long enough in this mount ... Turn you, and take your journey ...”***

This means you have stayed long enough in that place that you are. It's time to move forward. God has not set a fixed destination in our destiny until Jesus comes. So, your actual destiny has no destination here on earth.

Many are devastated today because they have a place or have settled for a place called 'destination'. Friend, what have you achieved that makes you think you have arrived at your destination? Jesus said **“...the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works**

**than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.” (John 14:12).**

My question is what have you achieved? Because you just received a 10 million naira alert, you are shouting and jumping you have made it. Friend, you have not made it, you are mad! “Yes, I’ve arrived now”. You have not arrived, you need revival.

You have just one business shop, or one branch of a company and you are carrying your shoulders and saying “Don’t you know I am the Chief Executive Officer (CEO)”. Sir, you are just a Chief Confused Officer. Because you have one branch of ministry in one village, you are shouting “don’t you know I am a general overseer?” where? You are a confused General Overseer. This is not a destiny mentality but a destitute

mentality. There is nothing over in destiny but going over. ***The destiny of the just shines more and more***

Destiny is a process, not a ‘proceeds’. When you arrive at proceeds in destiny, you cannot proceed in life. Jesus said, greater works you will do than what he did. Can you imagine what Jesus Christ did within the three and half years space of his earthly ministry? The scripture declares that if all that Jesus did should be written, the whole world will not contain the bible. **(Read John 21:25).**

That is the kind of power he deposited into your life and destiny. ***“And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that you might be filled with all the fullness of God ...” now unto him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or***

***think, according to the power (His deposits in you) that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen” Eph. 3:19-24.***

Your destiny in Christ has no end all through ages and the world. There is power at work in you that places your destiny at no limit. That power keeps your destiny witness moving from one level to another level, from one phase to the next.

See Act 1:8 ***“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.”***

The power you have received is called the power of destiny- Destiny fulfilling power. This power has no end. As far as destiny is concerned, it does not stop at having one business shop or one branch of ministry. Neither does it stop at getting a 10 million naira bank alert.

Don't let your destiny get stuck at that locality (Jerusalem). What of other cities and towns (all Judea). What of other countries and nations (Samaria). What of other continents, the globe (Uttermost part of the earth). You were not born to stop. Rather, you were born to continue. How can you just travel to Dubai and you are jubilating "I have travelled abroad". What of China, the United Kingdom, the USA etc. Are they not also abroad?

There is no limit to where you can go. Spread the good news home and abroad. If your business, career or ministry is good news, then spread it home and abroad. By this encounter, your destiny will never hang anywhere again, in the name of Jesus Christ.



## **CHAPTER TWO**

### **Success And Destination is a Mindset**

Life is an adventure, not a destination. Your success in life is a function of what you do in life. And what you do is a function of what you think.

Success and destination are products of mindset.

Until you think better, you cannot go further in life.

Until you go further, your success is limited. Except a man thinks progressively, he will be moving retrogressively. Your mindset determines your life-set.

Many refuse to move from where they are because their mind refused to think out of where they are.

You settle for less because you think less. You move more and more because you think more and more. Hear

what the bible says in **Prov 4:23** ***“Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.”***

What accommodates your heart, accompanies your life. Your life is a product of your mind. ***“For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he” ... Prov 23:7***

Every great destiny is a product of great thinking. Men of glorious destination are glorious thinkers. You set a limit to your success when you refuse to think. There is little that can withstand a man who thinks. Everyone is made by his mind. Success is not final until the mind is made up. So also, failure is not fatal until your mind filters out.

Friend, poverty can only be found in a void mind. Your destiny is at the mercy of your mindset. The success you cannot take is the success you cannot think. If you

can think it, you will certainly take it. Until you venture into thinking, you cannot venture into destiny. If you cannot venture into the adventure of destiny, you will settle in a lesser destination.

In the journey of success, arriving at a place and calling it your destination is failure. Limited right-thinking brings limitations to destiny. You don't know who you are until you discover yourself through rightful thinking. There is no limit to what you can do if you can think it through.

When you think far, you can go far in life. Whatever you cannot see yourself accomplishing is what God cannot accomplish through you.

Every great accomplishment is a product of a great mindset. Your success in life is determined by the

direction of your mindset. If your mindset is above, you have an above kind of destiny and success. If your mindset is below, you will have a low and below success and destiny. Hear what the bible says in **Deut. 28:1** “...*that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:*”

**Josh. 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.*”

This means that if you can set your mind to do all that God set or put in your mind, He (God) will set you (destiny) on high, above all nations. High thinkers are

high flyers. Those that are high thinkers are highly made in destiny. What do you think of yourself? What and how you think either reduces or lifts you in destiny.

In Num 13:27-33 *“And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it. Nevertheless the people be strong that dwell in the land, and the cities are walled, and very great: and moreover we saw the children of Anak there. The Amalekites dwell in the land of the south: and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast of Jordan.*

*And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well*

*able to overcome it. But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we.*

*And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature. And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.”*

What you think about your destiny is what your destiny will give you. Their mindset was like that of a grasshopper and they had a grasshopper kind of destiny. When you have the mindset of a lion, you can

take a lion's share in destiny. It is your mentality that defines your reality in life. Your mentality either makes you or mars you.

What comes to your mind is what compasses your life. Every stopping point in life is never a destination until you think and take it so. 'Stop here!' does not really mean 'end here!' To every 'pause' there is always a 'play'. Your destination and success is basically the choice you make.

I choose to stop here does not mean there is no way ahead. Never take where you are now as your final destination. It is just a transition point. Never accept your present success as absolute success. There is good, better and best successes ahead.

According to my father, Bishop David Oyedepo “Men are in sizes, but life (destiny/success) is in phases.” In **2Cor 3:18** *“But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.”*

As you think of Him (God) and set your mind on Him, you move from one phase to another. Be empowered now to think for your next phase in life and destiny in the name of Jesus.



## **CHAPTER THREE**

### **Spiritual Steps to a Glorious Destiny**

Life, in general, appears in two forms; The Spiritual and the Physical form. In other words, there are two forces or factors that affect living here on earth – The Spiritual and Physical force. These forces determine the result of life and destiny. They are also called the laws of life and destiny- The Spiritual law and the natural or physical law.

This Spiritual law is also known as the law of the Spirit which has the greatest pulling force on any matter of life. This law controls the natural law. When this law is fulfilled, little from the natural law makes life beautiful. Without this Spiritual law, life will become more

frustrating and disappointing no matter the contribution of the natural law.

Hear what the bible says in **1Sam 2:7-10** *“The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up. He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD’S and he hath set the world upon them.*

*He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail. The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he*

***shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed.”***

This tells us that Spiritual laws are primary determinants of life and destiny. It is the God factor that matter in life and destiny. This means you can't win in life and destiny without God. By strength shall no man enter into his glorious destiny.

***Zech 4:6-7 “Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts. Who art thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain: and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace unto it.”***

The Spiritual law is a matter of the Spirit. It is shouting and crying for grace. Grace here means empowerment. It is divine enablement that gives meaning to natural deeds. Grace simply means bringing God into the race of life and destiny. God in the race of life is grace.

You cannot prevail in the race of life and destiny without God. No matter your physical strength. Without grace, life and destiny are at risk. So, the beginning of your glorious destiny comes by taking spiritual steps. Your adventure to your glorious destiny as ordained by God requires the viability of your spiritual life.

Until your spiritual life is viable, your glorious destiny will remain invisible. The visibility of your glorious destiny is a function of the viability of your spiritual

life. In this chapter, we shall be examining some of these spiritual steps to your glorious destiny, while in chapter 4 you will see other steps relating to physical or natural steps. May the Lord grant you understanding in Jesus name.

## **The Step of Salvation**

Friend, you are not safe until you are saved. Life and destiny are at risk without salvation. Your glorious destiny will be doomed without salvation. Salvation is not an option in the race of life and destiny.

Without you being born again, your life and destiny will suffer again and again. Your salvation is not a game you play but a claim you will make, by faith. You are not to pay for it again. Jesus has already paid the price. You are to claim it by your confession and belief.

The price of salvation is faith. **Rom 10:9-10** *“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”*

Salvation is what we must claim if we must make a name here on earth. Salvation opens your door into God’s kingdom (your destiny) to you.

Read what the bible says in **John 3:3/5-8** *“Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.*

*That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.”*

Being born again is a must to make the most of life and destiny. Without it, you cannot see your glorious destiny which is the kingdom of God.

Many will ask “did you say the kingdom of God is here on earth?” Yes, it is. Your glorious destiny is the kingdom of God. So, you are the kingdom of God. Hear what Jesus told them when they were looking for the kingdom of God in **Luke 17:20-21** “*And when he was*

***demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.”***

Here, Jesus told them, friends, don't get confused, the kingdom of God is neither here nor there, but behold the kingdom of God is within you. You are the carrier of God's kingdom. Your glorious destiny is God's kingdom. It is salvation that grants you access into it.

Only what can stop the wind can stop your progress and success in life. The wind is unstoppable, so, your glorious destiny is unstoppable as far as your salvation is secure.



Salvation makes an epitome of glory. It is what makes the path of the just a shining light that shines unto the perfect day. There are gifts and talents in you that will never open up or speak until you are born again. Until you have a new birth experience, your glorious destiny cannot be birthed. I see you locating the grace of salvation now in the name of Jesus Christ.

### **The Step of Sanctification**

This is a process of purging and purifying yourself from your old ways of life that locked your glorious destiny and kept you stagnated. This process is crucial because it is what actually leads to the opening of God's channels in our life. When you are born again, your old ways of life are still much in you, like

drinking, smoking, lying, stealing, womanizing, prostituting, adultery, idol worship etc.

The process of dropping all these in order for you to start behaving and living like God is called sanctification. This comes to be when you begin to listen to the word of God, reading your bible, attending fellowship on a regular basis, etc. Here you know what pleases and displeases God. This is the point where you always want to do what pleases God. At this point, you must be thirsty for the word of God because it has the power to sanctify.

**John 17:17, “Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.”**

**Psa. 119:9/11 “Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to**

***thy word. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.”***

When you cleanse yourself from your old ways, you begin to find God’s way. It is the ways of God that lead to a glorious destiny. The ways of men lead to doom and shame, but the ways of God lead to honour and glory.

Hear what the bible says in **2Tim 2:19-21**

***“Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. 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. 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."***

Sanctification positions you in the path of honour. It is what makes you a great house of honour with vessels of gold and silver, which signifies a glorious destiny.

In the race of life and destiny, you cannot be satisfied, until you are sanctified. So, after your salvation, the next step required in the law of the spirit is sanctification. This is what opens God's channels unto a man that in return opens man's glorious destiny. The promises of God, no matter how promising and glorious they may be, can be stuck with your old and sinful lifestyle. That is why the cleansing of your body (flesh) and spirit is required.

**2 Corinthians 7:1** *“Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.”*

May you become a vessel unto honour in life and destiny in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **The Step of the Word of God**

The word of God is what creates our world, where we have an unending glorious destiny until the end of ages. Without the word of God, life and destiny become wayward.

Life and destiny have no meaning without the word of God. The earth was without form and void without the word of God. It was the word of God that gave meaning and sense to the earth. So, your life and destiny will be

formless and void without God's word. Nothing that is made was made without the word.

**John 1:3-5** *“All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.”*

Every glorious destiny is featured in the word of God. Your destiny has no future without picturing it from the scriptures. The life of destiny is in the word. The word of God is what gives life that lights up our destiny. Your destiny will crash without the word of God. David said in **Psa. 119:105** *“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.”*

The word is a light that lights up your path in the journey to your glorious destiny. Remember that whenever we talk about the word of God we talk about God Himself. In your adventure to your glorious destiny, there will be hurdles and obstacles. It is the word of God in you that will keep you standing.

**Heb 1:3 “*Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high*”**

All that will bring you victory in life and destiny needs the word of God. It is our confidence and trust. It is our peace. It is our joy. When you settle with the word, your life and glorious destiny are settled forever. *“for ever o*

***Lord, thy word is settled in heaven”*** when you settle with what is settled in heaven, you cannot settle for less here on earth.

Whatever God will do here on earth requires His word for performance. See what God told Samuel in **1Sam 3:11-12/21** ***“And the LORD said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle. In that day I will perform against Eli all things which I have spoken concerning his house: when I begin, I will also make an end. And the LORD appeared again in Shiloh: for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel in Shiloh by the word of the LORD”***



Anytime God appears to do a thing, He appears by His word. It is the appearance of God's word that reveals your glorious destiny.

In the book of 2 Corinthians 3:18, the bible tells us that as we behold Him (the word), we are changed into the same image (God) then, the Spirit of the word which is the spirit of God takes us from glory to glory – talking about our unending glorious destiny in Christ. That is why beholding the word, meaning studying scriptures, listening to anointed teachings etc. is a spiritual law we need to access our path to our glorious destiny.

**James 1:17-18/22-25** *“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he*

*us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.*

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*But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.”*

Whatever you receive or see from the word of God can take you far above when engaged. The word of God is ordained as our mirror which we see through for our breakthrough. We are to behold it and see through. It is called the perfect law of liberty that perfects life and destiny. You must engage the word of God to be

blessed in life and destiny. Your glorious destiny will remain closed until the book (the bible) is opened.

Whatever you see through it, that is what God accomplishes in your life. **Jere 1:11-12** ***“Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree. Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.”***

Your glorious destiny is not in view until you view His word. Your destiny remains in prison until His word is open to you. Joseph’s life and destiny remained in prison until his word came to him. **Psa. 105:19** ***“until the time his word came.”*** Friend, get into his word and locate the word for your life and destiny.

My life and destiny began to make meaning when I started studying the bible. My destiny opened up as a dream of the night when I opened the book of **Rom 8:29-30** *“For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.”*

Then I began to engage the word. I started seeing myself as a predestinated child to appear and reign like Christ; seeing myself as the called and the justified whose path is to shine more and more. I could view my

glorious destiny far above because those he justified he glorified.

My destiny began to speak when I opened to **Rom 10:14-15** *“How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!”*

That was how I entered the first phase of my destiny. Friend, I had no idea about writing books. By his word, He launched me into the second phase of my destiny in ministry, which is the writing ministry.

He said to me from the book of *Rev 1:11* “*Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last. And what thou seest, write in a book, and send it into the seven churches which are in Asia, into Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.*”

From this encounter I knew; that I am not a local writer, neither will I be a local preacher, but a global preacher and writer, writing to individuals, groups, nations and churches in the seven continents of the world. I got to know this from his word.

Friend, the adventure to your glorious destiny requires God’s word. I pray that from now, you locate your

word from his word that will open up your world of unending manifestations in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **The Step of Prayer and Fasting**

In the journey of life and destiny, there are spiritual roadblocks that when not cleared off, your movement into your glorious destiny may be slowed down or hindered. These are manipulations of the devil by using diverse means and instruments. They only answer and bow to higher spiritual power. They cannot go except power is generated through prayer and fasting.

Hear what Jesus said in **Matt 17:21** ***“Howbeit, this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.”***

There is always a kind of devil or demon on the path of your journey to your glorious destiny. No matter how smooth your path may be, no matter how wide the door

to your glorious destiny may be opened, there is always a contention.

**1 Corinthians 16:9** *“for a great door and effectual is opened unto me and there are many adversaries.”* The greater the open door, the greater the contention. To every effectual door opened, there is an effectual enemy. The enemy is so effectual because he is so close to you.

Friend, your adviser can be your adversary using his/her device of advice to devastate and destroy you. So, you contend with them on the altar of prayer and fasting. You may say “before I entered this phase of destiny, I have fasted and prayed.” Yes, but to enter the next phase, you need to still fast and pray.



According to Bishop David Abioye, "for every new level, there's always a new devil". In every phase in your life and destiny, there is a face-off. There is always going to be 'a passing through' to 'go through' in life. God ordained fasting and prayer to light up our path. Light is the only answer to darkness. The dominion of light over darkness is instant and unquestionable.

**Isa 58:6-10** *"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou*

*cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?*

*Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy rereward.*

*Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I am. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity; And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noonday:”*

Fasting and prayer is a spiritual law to enforce your way through to your destiny. You move faster in

revelation, vision, wisdom, passion, sanctification etc. in life and destiny when you fast. So, the altar of prayer and fasting is the altar of fulfilment in life and glorious destiny.

This is a spiritual step you must take to clear off all spiritual roadblocks on your path to your glorious destiny. I decree every power limiting you on your journey to your glorious destiny, clears-off now in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **The Step of the Voice of God**

The greatest asset of every child of God is the Holy Spirit, who is the Spirit of God. The voice of the Holy Spirit is the voice of God. This is the voice that gives man a voice in life and destiny. Note that there are three types of voices a man hears; The voice of God, the

voice of Satan and the voice of a man (which is your own voice).

The voice of God is a still small voice inside us. Here are some of the proofs of the voice of God among others:-

This voice speaks peace, knowledge, liberty of your spirit, and supernatural confidence. It speaks favour, pressure-free adventure, joy unspeakable and many more. Many become victims of vices because they never knew or follow his voice. When you refuse to follow this voice, your glorious destiny will become void. It is true that you have a destiny of no limit, but until you follow this voice, you may never get there.

***Psalm 32:8 “I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with my***

*eye.”* The instruction of this voice constructs our life and destiny. The cheapest way to move forward in life is to be sensitive to God’s voice per time.

Hear what the bible says about this voice of God in **Psa.**

**29:3-9** *“The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters. The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty. The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon. He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.*

*The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire. The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to calve, and*

***discovereth the forests: and in his temple doth every one speak of his glory.”***

Until you hear this voice, your glorious destiny is doomed. It is this voice that clears off every barrier on our path to our glorious destiny. Until you hear this voice, you cannot discover the next phase of your life and destiny. Many could not go further because they couldn't hear further.

The journey to your glorious destiny becomes so sweet and smooth when you keep on hearing this glorious voice. This great voice is what causes great exploits. No matter your intellectualism, this voice is superior. Nothing guarantees a glorious destiny like the voice of God.

The adventure into our glorious destiny requires that we possess this spiritual step, because no matter how glorious your destiny maybe, when you lose guide, you will lose your ground to the devil, that is put destiny on the path of danger.

The difference between a mere and glorious destiny is the ability to hear and follow this voice of God. Friend, your disability is not reason for your disaster but your inability to hear and follow his voice.

**John 10:4-5***“And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.”*

**Roman 9:23-24** *“And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?”*

Until you hear this voice, your generation will not hear you. Until you follow this voice, your generation will not follow you. If this step is not taken to know and to follow the voice of God, life and destiny will not take shape. Your life and destiny cannot suffer setback when you follow this voice.

**Isaiah 48:15-17/21** *“I, even I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and he shall make his way prosperous. Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the*



*beginning; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me. Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.*

*Verse 21: And they thirsted not when he led them through the deserts: he caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them: he clave the rock also, and the waters gushed out”*

It is the voice of God that is followed that makes life and destiny prosperous. Behind every successful and stress-free adventure in life and destiny is the voice of God. The voice does not intimidate, it elevates. The

voice of God does not shame, it brings fame and shine.

The voice of God does not disgrace, it engraces.

But to hear this voice loud and clear, spiritual sensitivity is required. You must be spiritually sensitive in your spirit because He speaks to your spirit. Always being in the spirit is the key to accessing this voice.

***Rev 1:10 “I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet”***

***Rev 4:1-2 “After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.”***

Every great man, every great destiny in the kingdom is a product of this great voice of God. I pray for you now, every itching ear that would not allow you to hear the voice of God, clear-off your ear now in the name of Jesus Christ. ***“Pray this prayer now: My Father, my God, Open up my spiritual ears to hear your voice now in the name of Jesus. (Pray!! Pray!! For 5mins).***

## **CHAPTER FOUR**

### **Other Steps to a Glorious Destiny**

I said in the previous chapter, that life comprises of the spiritual and the physical (natural). The spiritual controls the natural. This does not mean that the natural should be neglected. In fact, whatever happens in the spirit realm requires a step in the natural realm to manifest.

Many are stagnated and frustrated because they have not understood how it works. Somebody said to me some years ago, Sir, I have prayed, prayed and fasted, yet nothing is working for me. I replied him, “nothing will ever work for you until you work it out.”

Whatever is not working requires your work for it to work. That you have prayed and fasted for a breakthrough does not mean you should sleep all through, because every breakthrough in life requires a breakthrough action.

That you have prayed and fasted for success does not mean it will fall on you like a bag of shilling. In the spiritual realm, you are already a success, but a step is needed to see its manifestation in the natural realm. Just as spiritual steps are not optional in the journey to your glorious destiny, so also, it is wisdom to know the natural steps to take and take them. Don't wait for success, work for success. This is vital to make the most of life and destiny.

The bible says in **Eccl 10:15-18** *“The labour of the foolish wearith every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city. Woe to thee, O land, when thy king is a child, and thy princes eat in the morning! Blessed art thou, O land, when thy king is the son of nobles, and thy princes eat in due season, for strength, and not for drunkenness! By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.”*

Friend, you may ask “why are some believers praying and fasting, even giving all kinds of sacrifices; they are born again, sanctified, holy and what have you, but yet nothing is happening in their lives. There is nothing to write home about them.” Yes, it is true. The answer is simple – This is because wisdom is not happening in

their lives. Wisdom is not writing anything in their lives and that is why there is nothing to write home about in their lives.

Without the wisdom of God, no matter what you are doing, not only will you be stagnated and frustrated, you may be wasted in life and destiny. Hear what the bible says about wisdom in – **Eccl 10:20** *“If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength: but wisdom is profitable to direct.”*

**Prov 4:7-9** *“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding. Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her. She shall give to thine head an*

***ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.”***

The difference between a succeeding and failing Christian or believer is wisdom. The level of wisdom at work in your life determines how glorious your life and destiny will become. It is wisdom to take spiritual steps and it is more wisdom to take the natural or physical steps, as we have considered in this chapter and will also still consider in the next chapter. May the Lord open your eyes to see and open your heart to understand in the name of Jesus!

## **The Step of Vision**

In the adventure to a glorious destiny, vision is the key driver. No vision, no action. No action, no movement. No movement, no next level. What keeps you on the



move as far as your destiny is concerned is vision. You cannot go further until you see further. What you see ahead is what moves you ahead, until you see rest ahead, you cannot keep pressing ahead.

So, vision is a vital step to our glorious destiny. Hear what the bible says in **Prov 29:18** “*where there is no vision, the people perish...*” This means, that where there is no vision, destiny dies. So, vision is what gives life to destiny. For a glorious destiny to emerge, there must be a glorious vision. Lack of vision keeps you at a spot. Destiny is blind without vision.

Just as a man whether blind or not cannot take the next step until he sees or knows where he will step into, many people are praying “Lord I want to go far in life,

Lord take me far in my destiny” and God is saying ***what seest thou?*** What can you see ahead of you?

God has no problem taking you to the top most top. In fact, God will not fail in the promise He has committed Himself to do. But you must see this before he will take you there. He told Abraham “as far as your eyes can see I give it to you”. So, what your eyes cannot see is what God cannot give you.

In **Jeremiah 1:11-13** ***“Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree. Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it. And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying, What***

***seest thou? And I said, I see a seething pot; and the face thereof is toward the north.”***

The reason why you cannot get to the top is that you cannot see the top. It is true that we have a glorious destiny in Christ and God has ordained us for the top- which means an ‘above only’ destiny is what is meant for us. But vision is the ticket to access it.

We have established through a quote by Bishop David Oyedepo that life is in phases and men are in sizes. In every phase of life, vision is required to access the next level. When you cannot see the next phase of your life, you have accepted your current phase to be your destiny. ***“As you behold him as in a glass, you move from one phase to another” – 2Cor 3:18(paraphrased)***

What is vision here? In this context, vision is knowing or seeing what God wants you to do in every phase of life. In every phase of your life, there is what God wants you to do in order to step into your next phase. Knowing or seeing that particular thing is called vision. It may not be the same for all persons, because every man has his own divine plan and purpose. The ability to know this divine plan and purpose makes you a child of destiny.

***Eccl 9:1-2 “For all this I considered in my heart even to declare all this, that the righteous, and the wise, and their works, are in the hand of God: no man knoweth either love or hatred by all that is before them. All things come alike to all: there is one event to the righteous, and to the wicked; to the good and to***

***the clean, and to the unclean; to him that sacrificeth, and to him that sacrificeth not: as is the good, so is the sinner; and he that sweareth, as he that feareth an oath.”***

May the Lord open your eyes to see your part in the name of Jesus. People of this generation are carried away with too much television. So, they cannot see vision. You are sleeping and all your dream is the home movie you watched yesterday. How do you move forward in life? Some even watch cartoons all through the day. No wonder their lives become a caricature. When you are too focused on African magic, your life will be full of evil imagination.

Friend, be a man and a woman of vision, not a man and a woman of television. Someone said this at a single

ladies' night seminar, that “as a lady, when you leave a man of vision to marry a man of television, you will sit in your husband’s sitting room watching the man of vision in your husband’s television”.

Hear this, vision is the basis for exploits. The reason why you struggle with one shop every year is because you lack vision. The reason why you remain with one branch of ministry or business is because you lack vision. There is no end to vision. It is as far as your eyes can see. I pray that you keep seeing until the end of ages in Jesus name.

In your adventure to a glorious destiny, vision and revelation are key. Paul said he went up by revelation. It is revelation that takes people up. Please get this book which I am privileged to author ‘**Survival: The Glory**

**of Revival'** to read more about vision and revelation. I pray that God, through the Holy Spirit, minister to your heart and show you what to do to access your next level in the name Jesus.

## **The Step of Pursuing Vision**

Vision is not a documentary to be kept in an archive for the purpose of history nor is it a file to be kept on the shelf. Vision is a fuel that fuels destiny. So if you need to stay burning, you must be ready to run with every vision received.

Destiny can be thwarted (no matter how glorious it is) when vision is not pursued. What gives hope for fulfilling destiny no matter how long, is running with vision.

**Hab. 2:1-4** *“I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will watch to see what he will say unto me, and what I shall answer when I am reproved. And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry. Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.”*

Every divine plan and purpose of God requires a step of pursuit. No vision has a future without pursuing it. Vision is as good as frustration without a ‘run’, no matter how beautiful it may look like. Glorious destiny



is not a confession, neither is it a profession, but a product of pursuit.

Whatever you have received in the secret requires an open pursuit to be proven. Pursuing of vision is the great path to a great destiny. Nothing happens on its own, and nothing will ever happen on its own. Whatever happened was made to happen by a force whether spiritual or physical. God will do it one day is a statement of ignorance. God also needs your doing to do whatever He will do.

Those waiting for God to do everything may wait forever. All that God needed to do was done in the birth, death and resurrection of Christ.

All that is needed to see the manifestation of what God has done is with men. On the part of God, it is finished,

said Jesus. Stop being lazy and claim to be waiting for God. Stand up and get into the action of pursuing to obtain whatever He has promised you. It has been given already.

The bible says in **2Peter 1:3** *“According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue”*

This means, according to all that God can do, He has done i.e. “hath given”, not that He will give. It has been given already. That is, the things that make for life and glorious destiny. Life and godliness here mean physical and spiritual. Note that your glorious destiny is spiritual. So, all that makes for life and a glorious destiny have been given. You cannot access them until

you ‘DO’ (pursue). The knowledge of Christ Jesus in this end-time church is the knowledge of ‘doing’.

Pursuing vision gives you access to the glory and virtue you have been called into- talking about your glorious destiny in Christ. Until pursuing of vision is in view, your glorious destiny cannot be viewed.

Whatever God tells or shows you about your business, career, Job, ministry etc. start pursuing it now. There is no better time to start pursuing your vision than now. It may take a long time to speak, but keep pursuing. Remember, ***“Don’t be weary in well doing, in due season you shall reap if you faint not.”***

You may say “the vision is too large and wide. It is a huge vision. It is a global vision. I don’t know where to start”. Start pursuing it from where you can see it now.

If you can see it from the village start it from there.

After all, the world is a global village. That means it is villages that make up the world.

Just as life is in phases, so also vision is in phases.

Pursuing the first phase to conclusion opens the next phase.

God's divine plan and purpose can be likened to a newborn baby. No parent can give birth to a child today and tomorrow just wake up and says "hey child! Stand up and walk; let's go for an outing." I think such a parent will be considered mad and needs to visit a psychiatrist. Hallelujah!

So there are phases in the life of that child; the lying phase, the sitting phase, the crawling phase before the walking phase. You must nurture one phase to

conclusion before the other. Life and destiny is an adventure. So, the pursuit of vision is crucial for the fulfilment of our glorious destiny.

I pray that you will not die with whatever God has deposited in you. Your gift or talent will make room for you as you pursue it diligently. God's plan and purpose for you shall be fulfilled in a grand style in the name of Jesus Christ.

### **The Step of Passion**

No great task in the world has ever been accomplished without passion. People with great passion can make the impossible happen in life and destiny. Passion is to destiny is what fuel is to a vehicle. You cannot push a non-moving vehicle because there is no motion. So, your glorious destiny cannot be achieved without

passion. Lack of passion is what makes many take their stop point as their destination. Anywhere fuel finishes, the vehicle stops. It is great passion that engenders motion towards the accomplishment of your great destiny.

According to my father Bishop David Oyedepo “To be passion-less, is to be fuel-less and to be fuel-less is to be motion-less, to be motion-less is to be void of result in life and destiny.” Friend, to make the most of life and destiny, you must be passionate in the pursuit of life and destiny.

**1 Cor 2:9 “*But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him*”**

**Job 36:11** *“If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures”*

You will never know what your destiny holds until you are passionate about it. If you will obey and pursue your life and destiny in Him, He said, you will spend your days in prosperity and your years in pleasure. That is, fulfilling destiny in grand style.

## **What is Passion?**

Passion simply means pursuing the plan and purpose of God for your life wholeheartedly as it concerns you. According to Christopher Mc Candle “The very basis of a man’s living spirit is his passion for adventure”

Passion is what moves men beyond themselves, their shortcomings and failures. Finding your passion is

finding your destiny. You don't know what you can achieve in life until you know what you are passionate about. Many have found their destiny, but that destiny is never fulfilled because they could not find their passion.

Destiny is the reason you journey in life, but passion is the fire that lights the way. Friend, passion is your strength in the adventure of life and destiny.

It was passion that turned the likes of Abraham, Elijah, Nehemiah, Paul etc. into generational blessings, great prophets, and great giants among others. You cannot prove a point in life and destiny without passion. Nothing guarantees destiny like passion.



You cannot take your portion in life and destiny without passion. It is passion that makes grace to manifest.

**1 Cor 15:10, Gal 2:21** *“But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.”*

No matter how gifted or talented you are, it takes passion to manifest the fruits of that gift and talent. Your glorious destiny can be frustrated without passion. It is passion that grants you access to the grace to keep shining more and more unto the perfect day.

*(Read Gen 24:1, 1kgs 19:10-14, 2kgs 1:1-10, Neh 1:4-11, 2:1-9, 5:14, 1Cor 9:16-17, Phil 1:21, 2Tim 4:5-8, Acts 26:24-25)*

## **Proofs of Genuine Passion**

Every genuine passion has its proofs. When passion lacks proofs it is merely passing time. Here are the key proofs of genuine passion either for God or for any task or vision.

### **1. Commitment in the Pursuit of Given Vision:**

If you claim you are passionate about your divine task, the question is- how committed are you to it? Can that task be found in your heart? Commitment requires a heart connection. The vision or task must be in your heart first for your hands to be on the task. A heart for the task allows a proper pursuit.

See what the bible says in **2kgs 10:15** “... *is thine heart right, as my heart is with thy heart? It is. If it is give me thine hand. And he gave him his hand; and he took him up into the chariot.*”

Whatever you claim to be in your heart, your hand must be on it. If your hand cannot be found on any task, it is certainly not in your heart. It is your hand being on it that shows your commitment.

A passion that cannot be seen through commitment is fake. “*And he said, come with me, and see my zeal (passion) for the Lord (for my glorious destiny). So they made him ride in his chariot.*”

Passion makes anyone ride on his glorious destiny. You shall ride on your glorious destiny in the name of Jesus Christ.

## 2. **Consistency in the Pursuit of Vision:**

Consistency simply means continuity. Continuity is the cardinal characteristic of passion. A man of passion is also a man of consistency. Your consistency in your pursuit of vision is what defines your time of arrival at the next level of destiny.

Consistency is what confers on you the arriving and continuing grace. See what Paul said in **Acts 26:22**

***“Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come”***

Apostle Paul is saying here that, he never gave up or stayed back from those things (visions) he receive

from God about his glorious destiny. And because he continued to pursue them with the help of God, he was entering from one level to another level in grand style. In other words, he could enter his glorious destiny by and through consistency.

I pray for you that you shall enter your glorious destiny in Jesus Name.

### **3. Dedication to the Pursuit of Vision:**

Dedication simply means being deadly committed to your course in life and destiny. If you cannot be deadly dedicated to your vision, then you cannot enjoy the glorious life you have been destined for. What makes Apostle Paul a man of destiny was that he died in the pursuit of destiny.

Hear what he said in **Phil 2:21** *“For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain”* I die daily. **1Cor 15:31.**

If you are not willing to die daily in the pursuit of the vision that holds your glorious destiny, you are not dedicated. Your glorification in life requires your dedication. When your passion cannot lead you to dedication, then it is a fake and fruitless passion.

Hear what Jesus said in **John 12:24** *“Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.”*

Your vision and destiny will remain gloriously on paper without dedication to the pursuit of it. No destiny will speak without dedication to its pursuit. Through commitment, consistency and dedication,

my Father, David Oyedepo has been firing and fighting in the pursuit of Matt 6:33 since 1976.

Yes, he was passionate about Matt 6:33 which God delivered to him, yet he needed commitment, consistency and dedication to prove its reality. You cannot prove the reality of your destiny without these three ingredients. May these three ingredients be found in your life today in the name of Jesus.

Friend, if you cannot figure out your purpose, figure out your passion for your passion will lead you right into your purpose in life. The things you are passionate about are not random; they are your calling and purpose.

Hear this, you can miss your passion by chasing purpose, but you cannot miss your purpose by

chasing passion. A man of passion does not need an alarm to wake up. His passion will wake him up at will.

As long as you have gotten passion, belief and willingness to work hard, you can make anything happen in your life and destiny. Your portion in destiny is not sure until your passion is in place.

Therefore, the ultimate key in the adventure of life and destiny is passion. *Can you just pray for 5mins now saying: Lord, Baptize me with the spirit of passion. Endue me Lord with a passionate spirit. Lord, empower me to be passionate in the pursuit of business, job, career, studies, ministry, and any other God given vision/task. Pray! Pray!! Pray!!!*



Now I pray for you, put your right hand on your forehead – receive the baptism of the Spirit of passion in the order of Christ and in the order of Paul in the name of Jesus. And the spirit entered into me, when he spake unto me – Ezek 2:2. I declare the spirit of passion enters you now. Go and do the impossible as regards your life and destiny in Jesus name. You shall emerge a giant in destiny. No falling away in life and destiny any longer (Amen).

### **The Step of Discipline**

In the adventure to your glorious destiny, discipline is required. The plan and purpose of God require discipline to be fulfilled. Remember, many are in the race to glorious destiny. Whatever God says to one, He

says to all. You must run with certainty, running with focus and remaining on the lane or line. So, discipline here simply means shaping or designing your body, thoughts, feelings, emotions and actions to fit in the line.

When you delay another will take the race. My father Bishop David Oyedepo once said God told him, “My son, don’t think you are better off in this assignment, don’t think you are irreplaceable, there are many and better out there who can fulfil this task. If you mess up, you will be replaced!! Discipline must be your watchword in your journey to a glorious destiny.

Indiscipline has crashed many great destinies. There is a need to subject your body, thoughts, feelings, emotions and actions.

Hear what the bible says in **1Cor 9:23-27** *“And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with you. Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.”*

Paul said for the sake of my destiny, this I do so that I can be a partaker of my glorious destiny. Every man that is conscious of his glorious destiny must be

disciplined in all things. There is what you must do and there is what you must not do in the adventure to your glorious destiny. Until you are disciplined, your glorious destiny is at risk.

### **Areas to be Discipline**

1. **Discipline Your Flesh:-** Not all the demands of the flesh should be granted. Some demands of the flesh are meant to finish you and your glorious destiny.
2. **Discipline Your Thoughts:-** Every unguided thought affects your life and destiny, whether positively or negatively. Thoughts are so powerful that they light you up into taking action. Know and watch what you think.

**Phil 4:8** *“Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.”*

Your thoughts shape your vision.

3. **Discipline Your Eyes:-** It is not everything you should look at. And it is not everything you should see. Though you are permitted to look at all things, you are not permitted to see all things. It is what you see God gives to you. Not what you look at.

See those things that add to your life and destiny and just look at those things that destroy life and destiny. Whatever you *look at*, leaks out of your life but whatever you *see* sticks to your life and destiny. So, make a covenant with your eyes to see or think on everything you look.

**Job 31:1-3** *“I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid? For what portion of God is there from above? and what inheritance of the Almighty from on high? not destruction to the wicked? and a strange punishment to the workers of iniquity?”*

4. **Discipline Your Speech:-** You cannot talk too much and not make mistakes. Many lives and destinies have been locked down in the prison

today by what they say. What you say determines what you see. Hear what the bible says in **Prov 13:3** *“He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.”*

**Prov 21:23** *“Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.”*

Friend, death and life are in the power of the tongue. How you use your mouth determines how useful your life and destiny will be. Your tongue can open up your glorious destiny and likewise, your tongue can kill your glorious destiny (it depends on how you use it).

Many have talked their glorious destiny out of existence while some have talked their glorious

destiny into existence. Even the tongue is a fire.

It either purifies as gold or burns off as chaff.

**James 3:5-6** *“Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.”*

#### **5. Discipline Your Time (Time management):-**

You don't have the whole time in the world. You don't control time. Rather, time controls the world. The minute you wasted, cannot be regained. A man with a glorious destiny sticks to his daily schedule. When your daily schedule is



affected, it is certainly going to affect your destiny. Doing what should be done today certainly secures what should be done tomorrow.

So, procrastination steals destiny. The bible says in **Psa. 90:12** *“So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts into wisdom.”*

When you think time is waiting for you, you will waste your life and destiny. You can't be sleeping as if you are competing with the dead and yet expect to emerge a glorious destiny entity in the land of the living. Don't sleep off your life and destiny.

6. **Discipline Your Resources:-** You cannot be spending unnecessarily and expect to achieve the necessities. You need the spirit of resistance to

sustain your resources. Anything you cannot evaluate, don't place value on it. Stick to your budget in spending. Budgeting is the key to discipline when it comes to your resources.

**Prov 21:20** *“There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.”* When you are not disciplined with your resources, they will disappear. The concept of discipline in the adventure to a glorious destiny is so crucial because discipline brings abundance, the fulfilment of vision and unimaginable accomplishment in life and destiny.

The level of your glorious destiny determines the level of your greatness in life and destiny.

Discipline is required to succeed and the same is required to sustain success. Receive grace to have discipline in all areas of your life in the name of Jesus.

### **The Step of Diligence**

Every delightful destiny is a product of diligent work. Walking in diligence is walking on the path of glorious destiny. You are not intelligent enough until you are diligent enough. Your intelligence is not measured by your level of education or the course you studied. Your intelligence is measured by your diligent nature. Your intellectual capacity is rooted in your diligence capacity.

You become intellectually incapacitated when you are not diligent. Hear what the bible says in **Prov 12:24** *“The hand of the diligent shall bear rule; but the slothful shall be under tribute.”*

**Prov 22:29** *“Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men.”* It takes diligence to actualize potential.

This means a glorious destiny is reserved for the diligent. It takes diligence to get to the top most top in destiny. Seest thou a man diligent in the pursuit of his vision, he shall be among the glorified- those who fulfil destiny in a grand style. Glorious destiny has no room for lazy people. Glorious destiny is for the diligent

while glorious shame is for the lazy ones. Hear how the Message Bible puts it;

**Prov 12:24-27** *“The diligent find freedom in their work; the lazy are oppressed by work. A lazy life is an empty life, but early to rise gets the job done.”(MSG)*

**Prov 24:27** **“Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.”**

It takes diligence to escape poverty, lack and want. It is being diligent that fills you with glorious happenings. Without diligence, you are empty. Until you work hard nothing will work in your life. There is no difficult work or task. Not giving yourself to it makes it difficult. There is nothing that cannot be done. Instead of you to

say “it cannot be done”, rather say “in what better way can it be done”.

“It cannot be done” is the language of the lazy ones.

“What way can it be done” is the language of the diligent. The star cannot be in the sky if it is not diligent enough. It is the diligent nature of the eagle that keeps it high in the sky. When others say it can’t be done, a true eagle diligently finds a way it can be done.

Hear this in **Prov 26:13-20** *“The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way; a lion is in the streets. As the door turneth upon his hinges, so doth the slothful upon his bed. The slothful hideth his hand in his bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth. The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason. He that passeth by, and*

*meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears. As a mad man who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death, So is the man that deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport? Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth."*

Where there is no diligence, glorious destiny is aborted. May your glorious destiny not be aborted by your laziness, in the name of Jesus. So take a step of diligence today.

### **The Step of Wisdom**

Wisdom is wasted when it is not applied. Wisdom is the manifestation of God not a malfunction in God. In our Adventure to a glorious destiny, Christ expects us to manifest the wisdom of God.

According to my Father Bishop David Oyedepo, “Wisdom is knowing what to do and doing it.” Whatever you claim to know you do. Whatever you cannot do that is expected of you is what you don’t know, no matter how you claim it. Men know what you know by what you do. There is no glorious destiny without the manifestation of the wisdom of God.

Hear what the Bible tells us in **Prov 8:14-21** “*Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength. By me kings reign, and princes decree justice. By me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth. I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me. Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness.*”



*My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver. I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment: That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.”*

This tells us that glorious destiny dwells with wisdom. When you find wisdom, you have found your glorious life and destiny. This wisdom is a personality. You must engage her personality. This step of wisdom is supreme.

**Prov 4:7-9** *“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding. Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her. She shall give to thine head an*

***ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee."***

You take delivery of your glorious destiny by wisdom.

The level of your wisdom is a function of the level of your glorious life and destiny. A man of wisdom is a man of happenings. In the journey of life and destiny, what to do, how to do it and where to do it is with wisdom. The reason why the glorious life is far from you is because you are far from divine wisdom.

Wisdom is a must for everyone that must arrive at his/her glorious destiny. When a task becomes a must, then you must make most of it. Wisdom is a spirit. The spirit of wisdom is the spirit of Christ. What gives kings kingdoms is wisdom. Through wisdom, he scaleth the city of the mighty and cast down the habitation of their

strength. All that your life and destiny hold is with wisdom.

**Prov 8:11-12** *“For wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it. I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.”*

Daniel became a high flyer in life and destiny by wisdom. They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, turning many to righteousness (i.e. engaging in the things of wisdom makes you a star forever and ever).

Joseph became a prime minister in a strange land by wisdom. Isaac’s glorious destiny emerged through wisdom to the point that he was envied. Through

wisdom, Paul became a New Testament giant. You don't know what is in you until you engage wisdom.

***Take 5mins now and pray, say Lord, baptize me with the spirit of wisdom and understanding. Pray! Pray!!***

***Pray in the spirit if you can.***

Receive the spirit of wisdom and understand now in Jesus precious name. (Amen).

# CHAPTER FIVE

## Preservation of Destiny

Having a glorious destiny is not a guarantee that it cannot be corrupted. Every corrupted destiny is a collapsed destiny. Your destiny can be corrupted and it can also be coloured depending on your positioning.

Your position matters. **Psa. 12:6-7** *“The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.”*

This means that, no matter how glorious your destiny may look like or be, it needs to be preserved. The words

of the Lord are pure words. Remember that the word of the Lord is what gives birth to your destiny. The word of the Lord is directly related to your destiny. Your glorious destiny will be realized equally as the pure word of the Lord you behold.

As you behold the word of God, you are changed into the same image. No matter how pure and glorious your destiny is, you must preserve it. Preservation is what keeps your destiny to the perfect day i.e. generation to generation forever.

Let's examine some scriptures about the preservation of life and destiny. **Gen 45:7** *“And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.”*

Preservation is the will of God. The will of God is to see your life and your glorious destiny preserved.

**Psa. 40:11** *“Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me.”*

The truth about God’s preservation is the doing of the truth you find. Your life and glorious destiny cannot be in the path of preservation until there is what to do.

**Deut. 6:24** *“And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as it is at this day.”*

There are **three** major keys to discuss here as regards the preservation of your life and destiny. In the adventure of life and destiny, these keys are vital

determinants of what happens to your life and destiny.

I call these keys **‘the three points of destiny preservation’ (The 3PDP)**. The three points of destiny preservation are together known as **‘RID’** which means, Responsibilities, Integrity, and Decision. **I call them the ‘RID of Destiny.’**

### **The Point of RESPONSIBILITY**

The preservation of your glorious destiny is not sure until you take a sure responsibility. 90% of the outcome of your life and destiny is a product of responsibility taken. What makes your life a responsible one is the responsibilities you take. You are not responsible until you take responsibility. You are not better than your father, until you do better than him.



Your destiny is at the mercy of what you are ready to do. Not ready to do anything meaningful points at a destiny ready to perish.

There is no better time to do anything to preserve your destiny than now. ***“it’s good for a man that he bear his yoke of his youth” Lam 3:27.***

This means that you bear or take responsibilities now at this your youthful age. What makes many people irresponsible in their old age is the failure to take responsibility in their youthful age. Many died unfulfilled because they were too lazy or not ready to take responsibility. It is the responsibility you take that brings the desired change in your life and destiny.

You don’t build destiny at an old age. Destiny is built at one’s youthful age. It is only made manifest and

preserved into old age. Today's irresponsibility is tomorrow's regret.

Uzziah took responsibility at the age of 16 years, to build and restore Eloth to Judah. And he began to reign at the same age. He reigned for fifty-two years.

He prospered because he took responsibility and sought God. – 2 Chro. 26:1-5/8-10 *“Then all the people of Judah took Uzziah, who was sixteen years old, and made him king in the room of his father Amaziah. He built Eloth, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers. Sixteen years old was Uzziah when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Jecoliah of Jerusalem. And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that*

*his father Amaziah did. And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him to prosper.*

*And the Ammonites gave gifts to Uzziah: and his name spread abroad even to the entering in of Egypt; for he strengthened himself exceedingly. Moreover Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the corner gate, and at the valley gate, and at the turning of the wall, and fortified them. Also he built towers in the desert, and digged many wells: for he had much cattle, both in the low country, and in the plains: husbandmen also, and vine dressers in the mountains, and in Carmel: for he loved husbandry.”*

Uzziah by responsibility, preserved his destiny unto the days of his son Jotham. Jotham became mighty because he took mighty responsibilities to work and prepare his way before God. **2Chro 27:6** *“So Jotham became mighty, because he prepared his ways before the LORD his God.”* It takes mighty responsibilities to see the manifestation of your mighty destiny. When you miss your time and seasons of responsibilities, you will pay for your irresponsibility.

## **Two crucial seasons in a man’s life**

Life remains an adventure of opportunities. Seasons’ exploration is what defines destiny transformation. The scripture says in **1Chro 12:32** *“And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of*

***the times, to know what Israel ought to do; ... and all their brethren were at their commandment.”***

Friend, according to my Father, Bishop David Oyedepo, “Truth is timeless, ageless and constant.”

There is no new generation truth. There is no old version of the truth. Truth is transgenerational.

***Jeremiah 33:20-21 “Thus saith the LORD; If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season; Then may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne; and with the Levites the priests, my ministers.”***

What is written in the scripture as the truth remains the truth forever, from generation to generation. Until you

have a season of responsibilities, you don't have a season of possibilities. When you miss your season of responsibilities, you will have to reason all through your life and destiny. Understanding your times and seasons makes you the head in all seasons.

Until you know what to do in your times and seasons, your generation will do away with you, and life and destiny will deal with you.

The children of Issachar became men of glorious destiny, commanders in their various endeavours, because they had an understanding of what to do at every time and season. Until you know ahead, you cannot be the head.

There are two crucial seasons and times in a man's life. These are two very sensitive seasons. These times and seasons define your future in life and destiny.

### **1. When You Are Between 20-30 Years of Age:-**

This season defines or contributes 80% to your entire life and destiny on earth. It is a sowing or planting season. It is a season of warring for life and destiny.

Hear what God said to Moses in **Num 1:1-3**

*“And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tabernacle of the congregation, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying, Take ye the sum of all the congregation of the children of*

***Israel, after their families, by the house of their fathers, with the number of their names, every male by their polls; From twenty years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel: thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies.”***

***(Read entire Chapter 1) Joel 2:1-11 “Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand; A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any***



*more after it, even to the years of many generations.*

*A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them. The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so shall they run. Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array. Before their face the people shall be much pained: all faces shall gather blackness.*

*They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks: Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path: and when they fall upon the sword, they shall not be wounded. They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.*

*The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining: And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for*

*he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?"*

**1Jn 2:14** *"I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one."*

**Eccl 3:2** *"A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted"*

This season is the season of strength. It is a time to labour. It is a period to conquer in life and destiny. It is the season of responsibilities.

Whatever you do not overcome at this age, you may find it hard to overcome later in life and destiny.

When this season is neglected, life and destiny is at risk. When a man plays with this season, he will pay for it all the rest of the seasons. People who wrestle with life and destiny during their rest season played with this crucial season of their life.

When responsibility is not taken in this season, you would become irresponsible all through the remaining seasons. This is the season of laying a foundation for life and destiny. *“If the foundation be destroyed, what can the righteous do?”* One’s glorious destiny will be

wrecked, when this season is not offered its desires.

Note that, life cannot give you what you desire until you give it what it requires. It is the season of knowing what to do and doing it. It is the season of knowing God and pursuing Him. **Deut.**

**11:32** *“And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.”*

The end product of strength is exploits. The exploits in your life and destiny is determined by what you do with your strength in this season. This is your youthful age. The youths are the custodians of any generation. What happens to

your generation will be determined by what happens to you at this age. It is a season of accessing the secrets of life that makes great.

***Job 29:4 “As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret of God was upon my tabernacle”***

You want to be distinguished in life and destiny like Job, Gideon, and Nehemiah? Then take responsibilities. Whenever you see accelerated dignity, there is a constant responsibility.

You cannot be dedicated to this season of pursuing the plan and purpose of God for your life and not be distinguished in life and destiny.

I pray for you, may the grace to make the most of this season in life come upon you now in the

name of Jesus Christ. Perhaps, you have crossed this season and sorrow has filled your heart now; cheer up, there is a make-up grace. May the exceeding grace for make-up come upon you in the order of Elijah in the name of Jesus Christ. When the hand of the Lord came upon Elijah, he overtook Ahab. You will overtake in Jesus name.

## **2. When You Are Between 30-50 Years of Age:-**

This is the season of rest and manifestation. It is the season of productivity. It is the season of hosting the valuables of God- the treasures of God.

It is the season of rendering services to humanity. It is the beginning of your 'celebrity' season. It is the season of kings and queens. Hear

what the scripture says in –**Num 4:1-4** “*And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, Take the sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, after their families, by the house of their fathers, From thirty years old and upward even until fifty years old, all that enter into the host, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation. This shall be the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation, about the most holy things*”  
(Read Num chapter 4)

It is a season for the emergence of giants and also a season for the unveiling of glorious destinies.

A season when humanity begins to feel your



impact on earth. It is the season of reigning and shining.

**Gen 40:4** *“And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them: and they continued a season in ward.” ... 41:46*  
*“And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.”*

We also see David began to reign at the age of 30 years, in **2Sam 5:4** *“David was thirty years old when he began to reign”*

Therefore, I welcome you to your season of reigning as you take productive responsibilities now in the name of Jesus Christ.

Friend, understand that your season and times are when burdens are laid on you. Burdens which when yielded to, will take you to your glorious destiny.

These are burdens to pray, to serve God, to work, to go to school, to marry, to do business, to take up a career etc. Prompt obedience to burdens and instructions is the pathway to the glorious adventure in life and destiny. Note that, burdens may come also as instructions to be obeyed.

For instance, when they needed wine to have a glorious wedding at Cana, a burden was laid upon them. It came to them as instruction. If you want to have a glorious adventure at your glorious wedding, you must fill the water pots

with water. It was a burden to them but in form of an instruction. When they obeyed promptly, they had a glorious wedding.

When you don't yield to burden, you become a burden to your generation.

Times and seasons are the reason for living. Receive grace to make the most of your times and seasons in the name of Jesus Christ. A glorious life and destiny is not in view until responsibilities are diligently and consciously taken.

## **The Point of INTEGRITY**

The second point of destiny preservation is integrity. Responsibility without integrity is disability. No matter

how hardworking you are, without integrity, you cannot go far. Destiny without integrity is a disaster.

Integrity is what gives destiny and life hope. Lack of integrity disintegrates a man from his reality. You cannot be more real than your integrity. Lack of integrity grounds destiny. Many have been grounded because they lack integrity. Hear what the scripture says in – **Psa. 25:21** *“Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.”*

**Psa. 41:12** *“And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for ever.”*

This means you have no future without integrity. It is integrity that keeps destiny alive. You cannot remain at the top until you are right. Integrity also means

uprightness. It is integrity that preserves. The security of life and destiny is integrity.

Your destiny has no guide without integrity. **Prov 11:3**

***“The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.”***

Until you come to the point of integrity, your destiny is shaking. This integrity cuts across all areas of life- financial integrity, material integrity, relationship integrity, integrity in your speech, integrity in your work with God and men etc.

Your integrity in dealing with men determines how life and destiny deals with you. Integrity is what beautifies your responsibilities. It is what adds colour to your labour and efforts. Integrity is the light in the adventure of life and destiny. May you become a man and a

woman, a boy or a girl of integrity in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **The Point of DECISION**

The third point in our RID of destiny is decision-making. The decisions you make determine the destiny you have. A life void of decisions ends in destruction. There is no indecision in life. It is a decision not to take any decision. But the quality of your decision is the reason for the quality of life and destiny you have.

Indecision kills. It kills life and destiny. You preserve your destiny by the decisions you make. You equally destroy your destiny by the decisions you make. So, positive decisions birth and preserve a glorious destiny while negative decisions birth the opposite.

**Deut 30:19** *“I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live”*

Your destiny is defined by the decisions you make. Every decision you make has an effect on your destiny. It either pressures your life and destiny or preserves your life and destiny.

**Prov 3:5-7** *“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.”*

Your decision is a function of your knowledge. Your knowledge determines who you acknowledge your

acknowledgement determines the paths of your life and destiny. Decisions are a product of what you know. What you know will either preserve or pervert you.

Hear this in **Prov 18:1-2** *“Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh and intermeddleth with all wisdom. A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.”*

This means, that through decision a man is been separated into his destiny. So, decision is what separates man into his destiny. The wise man puts it this way in **Eccl 9:11** *“I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.”*



In other words, decision is what happened to them all.

Joshua said to them, “decide this day who you will follow” because who you follow determines what follows you. **Josh 24:15** *“And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.”*

Joshua decided to follow God and he had a great and glorious destiny. His destiny was greatly preserved by making a wise decision. Friend, a point of decision is a point where destiny is decided. Be empowered to make the right decisions in life and destiny in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **Areas to Watch**

**Your destiny is delicate**, so it requires diligence in approach and a close watch. When destiny is not guided with a close watch it can be thwarted and grounded. There are destiny helpers and also destiny lepers and leakers all around your life. Those who help you to fulfil destiny and those who help you make your destiny leprous and roll out of existence.

**Not everyone coming around you has something to add to your life.** Some come to take away something from your life. Not all friends mean well for you. Not all *associates* wants success in an association. In every glorious destiny, there is a ‘glorious’ enemy. It takes understanding to know your position in an association.

**Prov 12:11** *“He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain persons is void of understanding.”*

**Your glorious destiny is** not a corporate affair but **an individual affair**. “This is my destiny” not “this is our destiny”. Until you take this position in your association, you may be displaced from your position. Note that, it is not everybody at the motor park who is travelling. Not everybody inside the same vehicle with you has the same destination with you. You may be going in the same direction but certainly not the same destination.

Friend, your adventure to a glorious destiny demands you watch out for those you call friends and associates if truly your destiny must be secured. Many destinies

have been corrupted through friends and associates. Many glorious destinies have been aborted through wrong associations and friendships.

Hear what the scripture says in – **Prov 17:17/27:10/18:24** *“A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: for better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off. A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.”*

Understand that many have fallen into this trap of “he is my brother”. Many brothers have killed so many destinies, lives, business among others. You must watch

out for this if you must fulfill your glorious destiny.

The fact is that, not everyone calling you ‘brother’ actually borders around your life and destiny.

### **Choose your brother and friends.**

Not everyone you associate with is your friend.

Friendship is by choice not by force. Anyone that is not adding value to your life and destiny is deviating your life and destiny. Anyone that is not a *plus* or *times* to your life is a *minus* and a *divide*. When you are not careful and watchful, they reduce your glorious destiny to ridicule, shame and reproach.

Wrong association kills. Wrong friendship kills. For instance, in the case of Amon and Jonadab, his friend. The glorious destiny of Ammon as the king’s son was destroyed by a wrong friend, Jonadab. Ammon was not

careful and watchful, and his life and destiny was destroyed by wrong advice from a wrong friend.

**In 2Sam 13:3-5** *“But Amnon had a friend, whose name was Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother: and Jonadab was a very subtil man. And he said unto him, Why art thou, being the king's son, lean from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? And Amnon said unto him, I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister. And Jonadab said unto him, Lay thee down on thy bed, and make thyself sick: and when thy father cometh to see thee, say unto him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me meat, and dress the meat in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it at her hand.”*

**Verse 11-14** *“And when she had brought them unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her, Come lie with me, my sister. And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not force me; for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly. And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou shalt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee, speak unto the king; for he will not withhold me from thee. Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.”*

This means your adviser could be your adversary. Wrong friends can make you live a fake lifestyle which could corrupt and destroy your destiny. Your glorious destiny is not safe when wrong friends or people are

around you. The end of the story is that Ammon's life and destiny was destroyed by that timely advice from his terminator friend. (*Read 2Sam 13:1-39*)

80% of your actions could be determined by your association. You are changed into the same image of the people you behold daily. And their spirits enter you as they speak to you daily.

The ability to separate your true friends from your so-called 'friends' preserves your life and destiny. He that walks with the wise shall be wise but the companion of fools shall be destroyed – Prov 13:20.

May you be wise to preserve your life and destiny in the name of Jesus Christ. May you not fall victim to wrong friends and association in Jesus name.



The influence of friends and association to life and destiny is as wide as the universe. May you not be thrown into confusion in life and destiny by wrong friends and associates in the name of Jesus. Watch Out. Friend, in as much as you are watching out for wrong and bad friends and associates who could put your destiny at risk, so also watch out for good and right friends and associates who could be your destiny helpers.

As I said earlier, there are those who destroy destiny and those who help to fulfil destiny. Those who help to fulfil life and destiny are your true friends and associates, no matter who they are or where they come from. Your destiny is also at risk without them. God has ordained them to take you to your glorious destiny.

They are those who give you their heart and hands. When a man gives you his heart and his hand, then he is a destiny helper. ***“Can two work together, except they be agreed?”***

These individuals do not just agree with your vision but they work for the fulfilment of your vision. Every of their opinion, suggestion and contribution is a plus to your vision. Their joy is not what they get from you but the fulfilment of your destiny. Their advice is always an added advantage.

You must recognize these people in your adventure to your glorious destiny just as Apostle Paul did in **Rom 16:1-4** ***“I commend unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea: That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and***

*that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succourer of many, and of myself also. Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus: Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles.”*

Apostle Paul is saying here that Priscilla, Aquilla and so many others are his destiny helpers. They laid down their lives to see his vision find fulfilment. These are those to associate with and call friends. But those who cause division to your vision, who advice you for their belly's sake; mark them and avoid them or else your life and destiny is doomed – **Rom 16:17-18** *“Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which*

*ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.”*

For every Moses with a glorious destiny, there are also Korahs, Dathams, and Abirams who would stand up against Moses to ensure he does not fulfil destiny. At the same time, for every Moses, there is an Aaron also, who is a destiny helper. Never force yourself on your destiny killers but rather force yourself on your destiny helpers.

Receive grace to distinguish your destiny helpers from destiny destroyers among your friends and associate in the name of Jesus. You shall fulfil your glorious destiny in Jesus name.

# **CHAPTER SIX**

## **Tough Times And Your Glorious Destiny**

Tough times are pregnant with the emergence of glorious destinies. Many glorious destinies have been aborted in tough times. Tough times are ordained for the delivery and full realization of our glorious destinies. Note that your glorious destiny is a light of the world while tough times are darkness to the world.

Until there was darkness, light was never discovered. The discovery of light was as a result of darkness. Potential cannot be realized until there is a challenge. Tough times come to challenge the realization of our glorious destiny. Many never know

what they have until they are in need. Destiny arises in midst of tough times, just as light arises in the midst of darkness.

***Isa 60:1-3 “Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.”***

You cannot see the glory of God until you behold gross darkness. Tough times come to shape us to shine. Giants are made out of tough times. Tough times don't kill but makes.

There cannot be a glorious destiny without tough times.

When you experience a change without challenge, you will soon be chanced and chased out. You can only experience change when you conquer challenges. Until there is a challenge to conquer, your change cannot come.

Tough times have been and will always be. *“The things that has been, it is that which shall be and that which is done is that which shall be done; and there is no new thing under the sun.”* -(Ecl.1:9)

*“There was a famine in the land, besides the first famine that was in the days of Abraham, and Isaac went into Abimelech king of the philistines unto Gerar”(Gen 26:1) “And the famine was sore in the land” (Gen 43:1)*

Waiting for tough times to be over to see the manifestation of your glorious destiny may hinder the realization of your glorious destiny. All through scriptures, glorious destinies emerged in the midst of tough times. Note that tough times will never end until the end of ages.

Friend, stop deceiving yourself by saying “after this tough time, after all these challenges, my change will come” That means your change is still very far away because there is no season free of challenges. Challenges are continuous and it is part of our daily human life. Challenges never end, they only vary in intensity. Get up and face the tough times now.



Remember, Isaac never waited for famine to be over to command exploits. No! in the midst of tough times his glorious destiny emerged. – (**Gen 26:1-24**).

Joseph became a prime minister in Egypt in the midst of tough times not when the tough times were over.

Daniel became the president of presidents in the midst of tough times. Apostle Paul emerged as the new Testament giant through tough times. What of our Lord Jesus Christ? He became the king of eternal glory through tough times.

Friend, what you will become after tough times begins in the midst of tough times. It is tough times that opens us up to our glorious destiny. Tough times are foundations for our glorious destiny. Without passing through tough times, your glorious destiny has no

foundation. Without foundation, what you call glorious destiny is a shadow that will soon pass away. Running away from tough times is running away from your glorious destiny. Adventure to a glorious destiny begins with tough times.

No pain, no gain. No challenge, no change. No violence, no victory. No crisis, no crown.

**Rom 8:18** *“For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.”*

**Verse 21-22** *“Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.”*

***Rom 8:35/37 “Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?***

***Verse 37: Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.”***

The scripture is saying here that whatever separates you from tough times has separated you from your glorious destiny. Our glorious destiny is our love in Christ. Tough times here as outlined by Apostle Paul are tribulation, distress, persecution, famine, nakedness, poverty, Peril, and Sword which could represent modern-day hardship, corruption, frustration, stagnation, struggling for survival, economic meltdown, unemployment, sickness& diseases etc. but in all these things lies our glorious destiny.

You must be persuaded that tough times are ordained to make you strong to fulfil destiny. Neither death, life, angels, principalities, powers, things present and things to come, no matter their height, depth and any kind of tough times in existence will kill your glorious destiny. Rather, my glorious destiny will emerge in the midst of them.

Friend, you must build capacity and strength to tackle tough times. Tough times are not to make you cry but to carry you over to your next phase in life and destiny.

**Prov 24:10** *“if thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.”*

In other words, if you cry or give up during tough times, it is because your capacity is small. You must build capacity to work in order to overcome tough

times. It is those that overcame tough times that emerged in their glorious destiny.

The bible says in **Rev 2:26:27** *“And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.”*

Receive grace to conquer tough times for your glorious destiny to emerge in the name of Jesus Christ. Life is like an orange, until you squeeze it, you cannot enjoy the juice. So, you must press into life to get the juice in life. Remember, life will not give you what you desire until you give life what it requires. To overcome tough

times, you must know what to do, where to go and how to get there.

The bible tells us that Isaac went to Abimelech and Gerar in the midst of tough times and God appeared to him and began to give him instructions and directions to conquer tough times. (**Gen 26:1-2**)

There are keys you must get a hold of, to unlock your glorious destiny in the midst of tough times. These keys make you more than a conqueror in tough times. These keys are the gateway out of tough times and into your glorious destiny. May these keys be placed in your hands now in the name of Jesus Christ. Every hardship you are in right now, by these keys, your story is changing in Jesus name.

## Keys to Overcome Tough Times

I will instruct you and teach you in the way which you shall go, I will guide you with my eye says the Lord (Psa. 32:8). Nothing guarantees destiny like divine direction. Divine direction is the cure for frustration and stagnation. Access to divine guidance is what guarantees triumph in tough times. There is no hope in tough times without divine direction.

Every divine instruction rescues you from destruction.

*“To deliver their souls from death and to keep them alive in famine”* (Psa. 33:19). Who leads you determines where you will land. You have no direction until you walk in divine direction. Tough times are triumph times with divine direction.

When God is leading you, fulfilling your glorious destiny will be a walkover. There is no tough time that ties God down. With God, trials turn to triumph, obstacles turn miracles and the impossible turns possible. And they thirsted not when he led them through the deserts: he caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them; he clave the rock also, and the waters gushed out. **(Isa. 48:21)**

When the way to go is known, the way out of tough times is sure. They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them; for he that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of the water shall he guide them. And I will make all my mountains a way, and my high ways shall be exalted – **(Isa 49:10-11)**



Knowing where God is leading you in tough times opens up your glorious destiny. God's leading is what brings joy, peace and breakthrough in tough times. **Isa. 55:12** *“For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.”*

Your glorious destiny is heavenly planned. It must be directed by the heavenly host to find fulfilment, the situation notwithstanding. Seek to be directed in tough times to avoid disaster and destruction of life and destiny. This is what turns men and women into the envy of their world.

**Gen 26:1-2/12-14** *“And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of*

*Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar. And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:*

*Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great: For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him.”*

I see this becoming your experience as you yield to this divine direction in the name of Jesus. It is better to shrink with God than to shine with men.

## **The Key of Covenant Mentality**

In this precious chapter, we will establish that life generally answers to mentality. Whatever cannot define your mentality cannot define your life and destiny. As a covenant child, tough times should not define your life and destiny. Economic recession should not define your finance, business, contract and career. Before you were born there were tough times. After you die, tough times will still be there. Your survival in the midst of tough times is a result of your mentality. ‘As a man thinks so is he’. Not as situation unveils or economy unveils. No! Whatever you believe becomes your possibility; not what is happening.

You may not stop what is happening, but you can stop it from happening to you by possessing a different mentality from what is happening. Your glorious destiny is at the mercy of your mentality in tough times.

See what the bible says in **Psa. 37:18-19** ***“The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever. They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.”***

Friend, there is a Goshen in every Egypt. Your mentality determines where you dwell. In tough times, possess an exemption mentality. **“And be not conformed to this world, but be transformed by renewing your mind, that you may prove what is**

**that good, acceptable and perfect will of God.”**

**(Rom 12:2)**

Exemption is the will of God for you in tough times, but it only delivers to the level of your mentality. Covenant destiny needs a covenant mentality to be fulfilled. You must see your case being different from others to escape and overcome tough times. Possess an overcomer's mentality, because it is those that overcome tough times that rule in their glorious destiny. The war you cannot win in your mind, you cannot win with your hands.

Possess a possibility mentality. It is a possibility mentality that brings a positive life and destiny. Your possibility mentality is what defines your possession.

Tough times come with a lot of opportunities and leave people in need of all things.

Potentials are discovered in tough times, so you need a creative mentality to overcome tough times. Creativity is your covenant right in Christ, but you must possess a creative mentality. Creativity is what is needed in tough times to be exempted from it. For who is he who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

Every child of God possesses the mind of Christ which is the creative mind of God. All things were created by him. Christ was never stranded in tough times because he always knew what to do. What can you do in these tough times? In this generation's hardship,? What can

you create? What can you invent in this *needing* Generation?

Tough times are a combination of all sorts of problems and challenges from all areas. Which one can you solve? Which one can you challenge to change? Your glorious destiny lies in the problem you can solve. Your glorious destiny is rooted in what you can create to meet needs. Jacob became a celebrity by his creative mentality. **(Gen 30:34-43)**

Friend, possess the mentality to distinguish yourself, there is nothing you cannot do. The spirit of God that created the heavens and the earth is the spirit in you. He breathed that spirit into you, so that you can continue the creation from where he stopped. There is a spirit of

creativity in you. It is not God that created the aeroplane. It is not God that created a car. It is not God that created all the kinds of electronics you see today and so many other things. Man invented them all. You too can tell yourself “the spirit of creativity is in me.”

Remember, the bedrock of creativity is inspiration (**Job 32:8**) **‘But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.’**

Stay with your spirit to connect with the spirit of God to receive inspiration for creativity. Ideas rule the world. You want to rule your world? Be creative. I see that idea that will translate to creativity revealed to you now in the name of Jesus. Stop wishing for a glorious



destiny. It is creativity that activates a glorious destiny. By this encounter go and rule your world by creativity now in the name of Jesus. See you at the top most top in life and destiny.

### **The Key of Covenant Practice Mentality**

When all is not well, it is because you are not doing well. What is not well with you is what you are not doing well. **Isa 3:10-11** *“Say ye to the righteous, that it shall be well with him: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him.”*

It is what you practice that life pays you with. Economic meltdown will continue to exist as far as humanity exists. Lack and want will ever be. The poor

shall never cease from the land. Hunger will continue as long as humanity continues. All these do not invalidate the promises of abundance and a sorrow-free life. Tough times are not totally ungodly. In fact, it can be a tool in God's hand to bring righteousness and humble people to seek God and serve Him.

**Deut. 8:2-3** *“And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no. And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know;*

***that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.”***

You don't escape and overcome tough times by what you gather but by what you give as a sacrifice. Tough times are not afraid of your experience, your intellectual ability or your qualification, but tough times bows to your covenant practice mentality.

The life and destiny of a man do not consist in the abundance of things he possesses.

***Mal 3:8-10 “Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.***

*Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.”*

There are people that prove God and there are people that provoke God. You prove God by obeying his word to provoke your life and destiny out of tough times. God is committed to separating those that serve him from others in tough times. **Mal 4:1-2** *“For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all*

*the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.”*

And they shall be mine, said the Lord, in that day when I make up jewels and I will spare them as a man spared his own son that served him. The way out of financial hardship is to give what you have. Giving is living. Giving does not make poor, it makes rich. There is he that scatters yet makes increase, but there is he that withholds, yet tends to poverty. Give and it shall be

given back to you. Whatever you don't have is what you have not given.

Prayer and fasting do not make you overcome financial hardship. Financial hardship only answers to giving. Covenant practice mentality releases you from hard times. It takes covenant knowledge to escape captivity in hard times. You are where you are by what you have, you move forward by what you give.

Some of the covenant practices you must engage to escape and overcome hard times include;

1. **Giving:-** That is, serving God with your resources. Giving to the work of God. Giving to your pastors & prophets. Giving to your parents.

Giving to the poor around you and the needy etc.

**(Read: 1Kg 17:9-16, Luke 6:38, Psa. 41:1-3)**

**When you give to the rich, you connect yourself to the grace of riches. When you give to the poor, you disconnect yourself from the disgrace of poverty.**

2. **Work:-** Hard times are a time of hard work.

God expects you to work hard when things are not working. Work is ordained to overcome hard times. Your glorious destiny is at risk without work. As a covenant child, if your case must be different, you must work hard differently.

All our covenant fathers were hard workers and they overcame all the hardship in their generations. Abraham was a hard worker. Isaac

was a tireless worker while Jacob was a creative worker. Idle people don't access ideas that make life and destiny glorious.

Your glorious destiny will be in vain without working hard. Apostle Paul said, "the grace of God upon me was not in vain because I labour more than them all." May you receive grace to work hard, to overcome hard times in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **The Key of Covenant Obedience**

Obedying rules in hard times makes you a high flyer in hard times. Disobedience makes you a victim of hard times. In every temptation and trial, there is a way of



escape, it is your level of obedience that determines your way out.

***Job 36:10-12 “He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that they return from iniquity. If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures. But if they obey not, they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.”***

It is not whom you know but what and where you follow. It is not whom you hear, but whom you obey; that is what determines your position in hard times. To overcome hard times, you must follow God hard. My soul followeth hard after thee, O Lord, thy right hand uphold me (Psa. 63:8).

So, it takes high obedience to go higher in hard times. Obedience is not optional in the quest for a higher life. Your life and destiny lie in your obedience. If you will be willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land, irrespective of the hard times. But if you refuse and disobey, your life and destiny shall be destroyed with hardship. This is the word of the Lord to you. (Isa 1:18-20)

All that makes the difference, answers to the level of obedience. It is obedience that distinguished Abraham and Isaac in the time of famine. The price for a good, glorious life and destiny is obedience. According to my father, Bishop David Oyedepo “Obedience may be costly but the end result is priceless.” – (Deut 28:1-13)

No amount of sacrifices can equate obedience nor replace obedience. To obey is better than sacrifice. When obedience is replaced, destiny is withdrawn. When your obedience is no longer in view, you can no longer view God in your affairs. Your obedience is what exalts you above hard times and circumstances.

***Phil 2:8-9 “And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:”***

You cannot go beyond the level of your obedience. All that your life and glorious destiny hold for you, can only be delivered by the level of your obedience.

Obedience is the way out of hard times. May the spirit of obedience rest upon you now in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **The Key of Covenant Faith**

Without faith, it is impossible to please or walk with God. Until you walk in faith, you cannot walk out of hard times. Faith is God's way for man's dominion. Faith is what makes man divinity in this devastating world. Faith is what makes you a supernatural personality that awakens you to solve the natural impossibility. What happens to you in life and destiny is determined by your faith.

Until you discover your faith, you cannot discover God. When faith is discovered in hard times, God has been

discovered in a high way. Moving with your faith is moving with God. Nothing can stop your movement when you are with God; not even hard times.

So, faith is accepting scriptural responsibility to secure God's response in hard times. Faith does not look for promises to claim but instructions to obey. In summary here, in the adventure of life and destiny faith is the master key to emerge a conqueror. (Read: Prov 30:30, Job 14:14, Rom 4:17-21, Mark 4:37-41, Heb 11:1-40, etc)

I decree the spirit of faith rest upon you now in the mighty name of Jesus Christ.

# CONCLUSION

Be aware that life and destiny do not give you what you desire until you give to her (life) what is required. Behind every glory, there is a story. The adventure to a glorious destiny is an adventure of battles and until you battle life you cannot birth your glorious destiny. No one has ever had rest in life and destiny without wrestling. Paul the Apostle fought to take his crown of righteousness. Jesus Christ wrestled to take his throne. Your title and mantle in life lie in your battles.

Friend, you are not worse off in destiny, if you can fight for your destiny. Every open door without contention is a trap in disguise. For a great and effectual door is open unto me but there are many adversaries. Note this,

adversaries advance life and destiny like the case of Joseph and Daniel. To be afraid of adversaries is to be afraid of success.

You have no position in life until you deal with opposition. If there is no opposition in your adventure to your glorious destiny, know fully well that you have no destiny. Any container without content has no contenders. Any assignment without contention has no consignment. The value of your life and destiny is measured by the volume of enemies you are fighting.

Whatever God gives to you requires a contest to possess, because what he says to one, he says to all. “I have given the land of Arnon, Sihon to the king of Hesbon. Go and contend in battle” (Deut. 2:24)

Friend, don't dwell on the pain of opposition, rather focus on the joy of accomplishment. Take responsibility to arrive at your glorious destination. Note that every opposition is evidence of your strong position. Be determined not to lose your position because of opposition.

Beware that the opposition you sense today can lead to your up-position tomorrow. Remember that it is not a great book that makes a great destiny. It is walking in the truth you find in a great book that makes for a great and glorious destiny. May your encounters of light from this book birth your glorious destiny in the name of Jesus Christ.



I want to quickly remind you that your glorious destiny is at risk without salvation. Salvation is superior to your education. Education without salvation is equal to frustration, stagnation and destruction. Your glorious destiny is at the mercy of your salvation, not your education and skills. There is a way that seems right to a man, but the end of it is destruction. May you not be destroyed in Jesus name. Why not secure your salvation now to secure your life and destiny. Take a few minutes now, confess your sins and turn to God and ask him for forgiveness so that you can be empowered in the journey to your glorious destiny.

Say with me now “Lord Jesus, I have come to you today. I am a sinner. Have mercy on me. Forgive me my sins. Save me from the destruction and hardship of

this generation. Empower my mind to live right in life and guide me to fulfil my glorious destiny. So help me God.” Amen. May you arrive at your destination in life gloriously in the Mighty name of Jesus Christ. Welcome to your glorious life and destiny in Jesus name.

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## **Inspired Words**

1. Responsibility is the price for greatness –  
Winston Churchill
2. Tough times are the raw material for the release  
of your potentials.
3. Tough times bring out the best in you.
4. Don't wait for tough times, look for them.
5. Until your life becomes a seed, it does not  
become a harvest – Bishop David Oyedepo.
6. Until your life becomes a reflection of Christ,  
you cannot be free from crisis.
7. Until you become a light, you have no life in  
you.
8. Your season of possibility is determined by your  
season of responsibility.

9. It is what you practice that life pays you with.

10. What is not well with you is what you are not  
doing well.

11. Life has no mate, so don't play with your life.

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