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“But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost,
Whom the Father will send in my name,
He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance,
Whatsoever I have said unto you.”
(John 14:26)

“In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said,
I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
That thou hid these things from the wise and prudent,
And hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father;
For so it seemed good in thy sight.”
(Luke 10:21)

To the end that my glory may sing
Your praise and not be silent. O Lord my God,
I will give thanks to you forever!
(Psalm 30:12)

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WHAT IS BROTHERHOOD OF THE CROSS AND STAR

FIRST LESSON: JOHN 20:7

And the handkerchief, which had been about his head, not lying with the linen cloths, but folded in a place by itself.

SECOND LESSON: EPHESIANS 4:4-6

One body and one spirit, even as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and throughout all, in us all.

GOLDEN TEXT: 1 PETER 2:17

Honor all men; love the brotherhood; fear God; honor the king.

Dear brethren, we want to reveal an important thing to you. The three lessons will give you an idea of what we are going to reveal. So please, be attentive. You may say that you know what Brotherhood means, but we know from our hearts, that no one knows the meaning. People have interpreted different ways. It is as a result of these misconceptions that we have decided to take this opportunity to preach this gospel. Therefore, today shall go down in history as a great day: a day of revelation; a day Brotherhood will be revealed to the world. Professors of history from different universities have from time to time been coming to tell us the Origin of Brotherhood. We have in each case laughed at the limitation of their wisdom and have asked them to go and love one another. Anyone on the surface of the globe who tells you that he has known the foundation of Brotherhood does not tell the truth.

In this Gospel, we are not including the words, "Cross and star," but Brotherhood only. Search yourselves, you who say, that you are not Brotherhood, whether you are not Brotherhood. What is the meaning of Brotherhood? It means God, Christ and the Angels. It means the people of this world, the fishes in the water, the trees in the forests, the grass that grows in the fields, and the ground we walk on. Brotherhood means the sky, the Wind, the Moon, the Sun, the Stars. It means the worms, the ants, and the birds. Brotherhood means every four-footed animal and every creeping thing. In short, Brotherhood means everything created by God. Brotherhood means oneness. God and everything created by him put together are Brotherhood.

Who owns Brotherhood? It is God who owns, rules and leads it. But Christ takes charge. What are the duties of Angels? They are servants in Brotherhood. What are the duties of people? They too, are workers in Brotherhood. The Stars, Sun, Moon, Fishes, Animals, Birds, etc., are all workers in Brotherhood.

BROTHERHOOD MEANS THE WORD OF GOD

Brotherhood means oneness. It is the word it is the truth. What is the word? It is God, Christ, human beings; it is everything in the world. Brotherhood is the word of God.

Why is it that people of this world do not know what Brotherhood means? It is because it is not given to them to understand. Brotherhood is not a Society it is not a Cult. It is the Spirit of Love. I am Brotherhood you are Brotherhood. You do not need to say, "I want to be Brotherhood." You are Brotherhood whether you like it or not. Everybody is Brotherhood. To those who want to know its origin, we say Brotherhood has no origin. It has no beginning it has no end. Except a person wants to know the origin of God. Brotherhood was not founded by Christ, angels or man. It was founded by God himself. God the founder is Love. It is truth; it is good manners, mercy, and patience. It is humility, meekness, and unity. It is oneness; it is one thought, one mind, one spirit, one faith, and one hope. There is no division in Brotherhood. From the smallest child in the cradle to the oldest man: from the smallest village to the biggest city: all countries in the world put together are Brotherhood.

WHAT IS CROSS

Anybody who wants to follow me, but does not want to take up the Cross after me, cannot be my follower (CHRIST). Brethren, our Gospel is about the CROSS. After that celebrated Gospel on what is Brotherhood during the Pentecostal Convention, many had thought the Gospels on the Cross and Star would follow. But since my Father did not give the signal throughout the convention, I could not do anything more than to allow his will to prevail. This afternoon brethren, it has pleased him and he has given the signal that I should do so. Therefore, I shall be failing in my duty as his mouthpiece, if I should fail to give you the Gospel on the 'Cross' today.

Some think to give alms means carrying the Cross: others think that to heal the sick by praying, means carrying the Cross. Others think to pray three times a day means carrying the Cross; yet another class of people thinks that to pay tithe, Freewill Offering and Charity means carrying the Cross. The Cross-has been made into different forms. Some hang it around their necks; some hang it on their walls. Christ says we should carry the Cross. Do all those things mean you are carrying the Cross? We all know that Christ fell down with the Cross-as he was carrying it to Calvary. Does carrying the Cross mean that a piece of wood has to be carried? Without the Cross, the world could not have been saved. The Cross-is light and it can also be heavy. For the world to be in perfect peace, each of us must carry the Cross.

By what means does one convert a smoker, a snuffer, a fornicator, a thief, a murderer, a back-stabber, or a liar? Is it by carrying the Cross? If we all should decide today to take up the Cross, the sins of the world would vanish immediately. What is the Cross? Is it vision and prophecy? Or building houses for people: giving food to people, buying clothes for them? If Jesus had only healed and prophesied without carrying the Cross, his work could come to nothing.

IT MEANS BEARING ONE ANOTHER'S BURDEN

If you buy a vehicle for brethren to go on ministry works so that their job is less difficult, you are not carrying the Cross.

The Cross-is not as immense as you might have imagined. It is very small, it is light, but it is also very heavy. What is the Cross? Cross means bearing another's burdens without complaining: tolerating all sinners, murderers, thieves, and back-stabbers, etc. If one accuses you falsely, yet you stand firm with Christ: if you are spat on, jeered at, disgraced without any cause: if you are insulted without just cause, yet you tolerate such a person wholeheartedly, you are carrying the Cross. If you are informed that someone has planned to kill you and you will not run away, then you are carrying the Cross. To carry the Cross does not cost anything. To be able to carry the Cross, you must resign yourself completely to God. You must be loving, humble, you must have patience, you must be forgiving, you must see another person as being better than yourself, you must not be envious. If Jesus did not possess these qualities, he could not have carried the Cross. If you remain with a cunning man without hurting his feelings for being crafty, if you can stay with a notorious liar, happily, without stirring up his anger when he tells you a lie, when one persecutes you falsely and seeks to destroy your life, yet you tolerate him, you are carrying the real Cross.

WHAT IS STAR? THE GREAT LIGHT

You have read in the scriptures about a secret name. That secret name is the Star. The Star is Christ. The Star is the glory of God and it is the glory of Christ. The Star is the revelation of God. It is the hidden name that no one knows. The Star indicates the reign and the glory of Christ. The Star here does not refer to the constellation above. The Star means the brightness of God and the power of his reign. The Star is the peace of the Almighty God that governs the universe. There is no other Monarch other than Christ, the Star. From his birth, the great light has been shining over Christ's head. It is the only light that shines the whole world over. Therefore, it is not enough for someone to be a Brotherhood only, or to carry the Cross alone, but to be worthy children of the Kingdom. To be worthy children of the Kingdom of God we must be of the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. The Star indicates those who will rule and are ruling with him. The Star is the ruler of the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. He is Christ, and Christ did not come alone. The Father is here, the Son is here and the Holy Spirit is here. He is in the Father, Christ is the City of which we are told. No light is needed, because he shines there. The Father and the Son shine to eternity.

The name of the morning Star is known to Christ alone and is not known to human beings. We worship the Star, which is Christ. The Cross-we must carry.

The Star is the glory that reigns over the world. In his first coming, Christ passed through pain and tribulation. The primary aim of his second coming is to rule in glory. It is the glory indicative of his reign. He is coming to take up his kingship and rule. His kingdom is here on Earth. The Star means Christ, his glory and that of his father. He has arrived with the

father to live with men on earth. He comes in glory to rule the whole world. He has not come to serve, suffer and die, as he did in his first coming. Each time the almighty father sends his Son out; he gives him a new name. His disciples were also given different names. When he departed from the world, his disciples were called Christians. When he worked among men, he was called Jesus. He asked his disciples, "Who do men say that I am?"

He was told; he was the Christ, the Son of God. He warned them not to call him that name and requested them to keep it a secret to themselves. God knows best why his Son should be given a new name each time he is sent to earth. When you hear the name Christ, you cannot say who the Anointed One is.

When he is called Star, you cannot distinguish one from the other. The Star radiates light. His glory and his reign go into eternity. Christ is the light, he is Jehovah God. Imagine how sweet the name sounds in a believer's ear. It is the light that blinded Saul on his way to Damascus. Christ's name is only known to the father and the Son.

THANK YOU FATHER

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE WORLD

FIRST LESSON: 2 PETER 2:9

The Lord knoweth how to deliver the Godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the Day of Judgment to be punished.

SECOND LESSON: JOHN 14:27

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

GOLDEN TEXT: MATTHEW 11:28

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

The above texts reveal our lesson. The Bible text confirms that there is nowhere else where anybody can find love apart from Christ. Therefore, whoever calls upon His name can never fail to get salvation from Him. Brotherhood is the Biblical Noah's Ark.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. He is the only one who knows how to deliver all those that fear Him from temptation. Whether you are a thief, a murderer, a fornicator or a woeful sinner, once you call upon His name. He will not fail to save you. Do not be ashamed to call upon His name and do not be afraid to worship Him. He has come to save all those that seek after and accept Him.

Money, food or the government cannot save you. Nothing material can save mankind other than Christ. There is equally no other man that is capable of delivering man from his current predicament other than our Lord Jesus Christ. It is for this reason that all should forsake sins. Whoever hardens his heart should change now. Christ is that Noah's Ark and He has arrived at your doorpost. Follow Him, believe in Him and seek after Him for He has come to search for the lost sheep.

As many as believe in Him and practice His injunctions shall have everlasting life. What is practiced in the whole world is retaliation and vengeance. People keep on ill-treating fellow men, obstructing their progress, and doing all sorts of evil to them. The three main texts in this gospel reveal the mission of Christ on earth. One of our spiritual Choruses says, "Weep not child and lament not for the Savior of the poor is not on His way, but is in our midst". Except the tree falls the axe would not rest. This is the reason why all of us should get into the field to save the lost sheep.

THE LORD OF PEACE

If you say, you love God that you love Christ and the world, then it is your place to go and save the sheep in the field. Christ alone is the one who does not impute sin on any person. He is the only one who thinks and cares for us day and night. He is The King of Kings and The Lord of Lords. He is Lord of peace and of life. Therefore, we have to resemble Him to follow Him and to love Him. It is a matter of necessity, that a child should resemble his parents. A house that is divided against itself cannot stand and is doomed. Any house where a member therein engages in quarreling and lusts for materialism, such a house is doomed. Any individual or group of persons who lust after the things of this world is doomed.

Let us seek for God now while it is yet day and do so with the whole of our heart, and soul. Let us look for Him when it is possible to see Him. A time is coming when such golden opportunity will not be available again. This is the time of peace, life and the right time to seek for God. When God extends His divine call to you, do not hesitate, waste no time and harden not your heart but follow Him immediately He can call you by whatever means, it may be through sickness, court case, hatred, hardship or through the enemy. God is never pleased with the death of an evildoer. He continues to call His people through various means to Himself.

THE EXPERIENCE OF JONAH

Something spectacular happened to Jonah. Many of us today are like Jonah. The voice of God went to Jonah instructing him to go to Nineveh to save souls. But because of his lust for materialism he refused. To fulfill the local adage which says that, "**a child that would not want the mother to sleep, would also have to stay awake**". Jonah obtained a fair share of his bargain. A number of us today have been called by God and charged to go into His vineyard but we have refused. We are God's servants and messengers, just as the angels are.

This is indeed a wonderful time in spirit. God is never pleased with the death of evildoers. It is for this reason that He commissions us daily into the vineyard and save souls. It is said that, today when you hear His voice harden not your heart. There is no other salvation apart from our Lord Jesus Christ. There is no other person who can save the world apart from Christ. This is the right time to save those who cannot help themselves.

The ways of God are different from the ways of man. God is not lax in fulfilling His promise but only exercises long suffering. It is not His will that any should perish but that all should repent and be saved.

Governments all over the world, the churches, the various communities, nations and individuals are in a precarious situation and pitiable state.

Now is not a good time for anyone to go about seeking for money, wife, husband, children or any material thing. This is God's own period for His service and for the manifestation of His Kingdom. This is the time to seek for only The Living and Mighty God. For a time is coming when we shall seek for Him but will not see Him anymore. Read our lesson again.

FIRST LESSON: 2 PETER 2:9

The Lord knoweth how to deliver the Godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the Day of Judgment to be punished.

THE END IS AT HAND

All the events that we see in the world today merely represent "Police Action". The real time of judgment is fast approaching. People are crying and shouting that life is so hard and the going so rough. This is yet a tip of the iceberg. Tougher conditions and harder times are yet to come. The First Lesson has it that:

The Lord knoweth how to deliver the Godly out of temptation, and to reserve the unjust unto the Day of Judgment to be punished.

Tell the world that judgment is coming. What is obtainable now are mere signs of labor and pains. Let all the inhabitants of both the heaven and earth seize this golden opportunity to serve The Lord. Those that worship Him should hold fast and those who do not know Him should now return to Him. It is advisable to search for a black goat when it is yet day. Do not think that after all, He is the God of love, mercy and grace and because of that you continue to wallow in sinfulness. This is the time of peace and joy. Therefore, you have to seek for peace and joy.

During the era of Noah, this same situation was what took place. People were busy selling and buying; they got married and were equally given in marriage. They engaged in all the trades and pleasures of life to the detriment of God and total abandonment of His message. Noah preached persistently to the people for 120 years yet they refused to listen to him. They rather derided him and regarded him as a demented and idle person. But in the end, the foolish became, wise, the demented sane and the idle active. The First Lesson therefore reveals God's plan and handiwork. If all of us turn to Him, follow and worship Him, we will surely have salvation. All the songs that we sing, the testimonies that we give, our dances, the words that we preach, all constitute the blowing of the trumpet to the world to repent of their evil ways and come over to God.

All the churches, associations, and individuals must remain one with each other to foster peace, prosperity and eternal life in the world. If the whites refuse to abide by this call

they would not be saved. On the other hand, if the blacks refuse His call, they will also perish. Do not think that your color, sex or religion will save you, if you fail to listen to His call to righteousness.

Let no church deceive itself that, it will be saved except it lives in peace with all. This is the time that every man should advise himself and unite with one another in peace. Live in peace with your parents, children, friends', government and all the inhabitants of the world. He has come to rule us in peace and to untie all people in love. Therefore, you should discard the thought for right knowledge, rivalry, war and other reactionary activities for they cannot profit you anything. All those who seek for love, salvation, peace, and eternal life must live in peace with all. This is the Everlasting Gospel. Tell the proud and arrogant and those who delight in the abundance of their wealth to surrender to the Rulership of The Almighty Father so that peace, love and prosperity would return to the earth. Tell those who continue to wage wars, and to plan for further wars that, the time for that has since passed. This is the time of God; all should therefore surrender to His Rulership.

The Lord has come to save the whole world in general and in particular, those that worship Him, from temptation. He is also reserving the unrighteous under punishment till the Day of Judgment. You should always remember what the Bible says that, one day is like a thousand years in the eyes of The Lord and a thousand days like one day. On the other hand, one day for men is a thousand years for God. Do not live in the illusion that, after all God had been planning to destroy this world since the time of our great grandparents yet up till now He has not done so. Matthew 24, Luke 17, 2nd Peter 2 and 3 all confirm that fire will be used to examine each individual's work. He said that as it was in the time of Noah so shall it be on The Judgment Day. Also as it was in the days of Lot so shall it be in this generation. As The Father did not forgive the erring angels but held them in detention until judgment, so shall it happen in these days. As He did not forgive Sodom and Gomorrah: as He did not forgive the people during the time of Noah, He shall in no wise forgive this generation. All sinners should repent and turn to him. You should abstain from stealing, fornication, adultery, idolatry, killing, anger, disobedience and all the vices. Hold fast to God. He has come to bestow us with love, peace and good health, which are better than raiment. Read our Second Lesson again.

SECOND LESSON: JOHN 14:27

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you; Let not your heart be troubled, nether let it be afraid.

THE DAYS OF GRACE

Brethren, you should now realize that this is the time of peace, mercy, love and righteousness. If He is given the cause to withdraw the peace, love, grace, and mercy then the world is doomed. If you refer to Revelation 7:1-3:

"And after these things, I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on the trees.

And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having The Seal of The Living God; and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea. Saying hurt not the earth, neither the sea nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads."

You would discover God's plan for mankind. This is to remind you that if God withdraws His grace, the whole world will be destroyed. Let us embrace the peace that The Lord has left with us so that we can equally extend it to our neighbors, churches, governments, husbands, wives and all the inhabitants of the world.

ONE FLOCK, ONE SHEPHERD

There should be one flock under one shepherd. Remember our Lord Jesus Christ's statement to the disciples when He said that He had another sheep that was present there. And so He had to go and bring them into His sheepfold, so that, there would be one flock under one shepherd. Do not allow yourself to be deceived that you can have peace except you live in peace with your brethren. You will never be justified except you live in peace with one another. Why The Father commissions us to go into the field is to bring back all the lost sheep together under one shepherd in love and peace. God is not pleased with the death of a sinner but preserves them through His long suffering so that they may repent.

No man does a good thing and confines such a thing to his house. He will definitely take the thing outside into the full view and appreciation of all. Warri in Delta State is very close to Calabar, yet a certain brother confessed that it was only recently, about two weeks ago, that he heard something about Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. There are those who are looking for help in prison, sick beds, water and forests. There are those who would have only called on the name of The Father for their problems to be solved but could not because, there is no one to direct them. In trying to evangelize the world, you should be prepared to answer any derogatory names, which the world will call you in the course of propagating this message of hope and salvation.

God has promised mankind when He said that we should call upon Him and He will answer us. The spiritual song, which goes with, the above promise says: "Call upon me in the time of trouble, I will answer you". The question now is, how will the people call upon the person, they do not believe in? How will they believe in a name they have never heard of? How will they

hear when there is no preacher to inform them? And, how will a preacher go out and preach when he has not been commissioned to do so.

A certain brother in America who was in prison was asked to call upon the name and he would be saved. He believed, he called upon the name and was saved.

This also confirms the statement of our Lord Jesus Christ that except a man is born of water and Holy Spirit, he cannot be His disciple. Many are called unto The Lord, but there is a danger when you delay. The song goes thus: "Many are called unto The Lord, many are called unto The Lord, there is danger if you delay."

GOLDEN TEXT: MATTHEW 11:28

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

THE LAST CALL

The biblical excerpt above is the last call and the golden opportunity for those who want salvation, whoever delays shall have himself to blame. Do not quarrel with any person or engage in any argument over anything, do not even beg anybody, but only tell it to them and whoever believes and answers the call shall be saved. But if you go to a place and the people there reject you, the Bible says that you should shake the dust off your feet there and that will remain as an instrument of witness against them. The end of such people or city would be worse than that of Sodom and Gomorrah. Any house you go into, first say. "Let the peace be unto this house", and if there be a child of peace, the peace of God shall follow him. Go and preach to individual and groups, preach to the government, preach to all the creation of God to repent and turn to God. Those who hearken shall be saved but those who shall reject you will reject their lives. Go into the enemy's front, for as a soldier of Christ you cannot be wounded at the front.

Tell everyone; that comes across you to forsake sins and follow Christ. Let nobody continue to engage in planning and doing evil to his brethren. Let them know that whoever goes with the sword shall die by it. I know that as you go out the people do ask you what The Father says. Tell them The Father says they should leave their old ways and accept the truth, love and peace. Tell them that Christ is the way, the life and the truth. Tell them that except they pass through Him they would not see God and they would not inherit His Kingdom. Inform them that The Lord is willing and ready to accept and wash any sinner clean. Preach to the President, Prime Minister, Governors, Senators and the rest of the people in the corridors of power.

Tell those who want to plant themselves as life President, or Governors that the time has come when they will run away from those political positions themselves. This is the time for Jehovah God and His Christ to reign and rule. The government and the governance of the

people are in His hands. The blacks, the whites, men and women, young and old, animals in the bush, fishes in the water, birds in the air, the trees and all God's creations have to return to their creator. All the activities that men do, none, will help them. If we do not follow Him now, we stand to lose His love, peace and grace.

GOD'S PROMISE

Remember His promise that you should not trouble your minds; that you should believe in The Father and in Him, for in His Father's Kingdom there are many mansions. If it were not so, He would have told us. He said He went to prepare a place for us thereafter He would come and take us there so that wherever He is, we should be there also. He has come to take us all into The Kingdom. This is the time to part ways with anything mundane and follow God. Follow Him now when it is not late so that you will not regret.

Our spiritual chorus says:

Come O! Come, Come, my Children, I do not want you to be destroyed. Come and make peace with me.

And another one is: **Those who were with Me, I will come to take them to myself.**

It is advisable that we follow God because He lives, and we shall also live. He does not taste of death. He has said: but this man, because He continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him. Seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them. For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners and made higher than the heavens (Hebrews 7:24-26) This is the time He has come to lead the world to salvation. He is our Only Savior and Treasure.

AN OPEN LETTER

This Gospel is an Open Letter to the world. It should be disseminated to all Nations, all liberation fighters and rebel leaders, all life Presidents and Monarchs, all oppressors and deceivers, and all the inhabitants of the world and the angels. To be forewarned is to be forearmed. Your money, education, position, power, color or stature will not help you. There is no life, no glory, and no truth, nothing in the world at all, other than sorrows and woes. But whoever accepts this message stands to be saved.

Remember that the same letter was written to Sodom and Gomorrah in Isaiah 1:10-12. If the two cities of Sodom and Gomorrah had heeded God's instruction that they should refrain from iniquities and love one another the young and old, rich and poor, man or woman, they would not have been destroyed. If they accepted to come and make peace with their Creator,

He would have forgiven all their iniquities and washed them to be as white as snow as He promised. But because they refused God's injunction they were devoured by the sword.

Christ is here on earth and The Father is here too. Both are calling us to come and be saved. The Lord has come to save the living and the dead.

The call is not to follow Obu or Brotherhood, or my church denomination or country or individual. Follow Christ alone, for He is here on earth to gather all the sheep under one flock and one shepherd.

Let us refrain from war, hatred, stealing, killing, and every act that destroys a man. We should rather love one another, live in peace, and be humble and merciful. If all the inhabitants of the world and all the nations do this, then we shall be saved. A stroke of a cane is sufficient for the wise. May God bless His Holy Words. Amen!

THANK YOU FATHER

THE FIRST STEP TO GOD

COMPLETELY REFRAIN FROM SIN

Any person, who does not refrain from all the sins enumerated below, cannot be a good Christian. These sins are:

Fornication, adultery, stealing, lying, deceit, envying, cunning, anger, quarrelling, fighting, gossiping, idolatry, witchcraft, taking of drinks, smoking, snuffing, heresy, lasciviousness, sedition, unrighteousness, mischief, jealousy, vindictiveness, pomposity, division, laziness, covetousness, argument, flippancy, pride, fraud, bullying, murder, insult, rancor, vain thinking, aggravation, whispering, cursing, herbalism, traditional plays, worldly dance, worldly scene, swearing by blood, oath, inordinate lust, and evil concupiscence; both native, and English treatments; occult science, burning of incense, Ogboni society; Playing of band, or drums; Weeping, frowning of face, sighing, bribery, or being bribed, selfishness; flogging of children, wife, or servant; and disobedience or lamenting. Wearing of gold, pearls, earrings, necklace, finger ring, piercing of ear, etc. Offering people drinks; Keeping company with fornicators, mourning, keeping mourning houses, and secret societies such as: Rosicrucian, Lodge, Abu, Ekpe, Ekpo and others. Court action, backbiting, sacrifice, presence in worldly society, sooth-saying, or worldly gathering; eating meat of strangled beasts, or, meat of animals which die by themselves, and such like unGodly manners. Any person, who refrains from the sins, enumerated above, and complies with the instructions given in the New Testament, such a fellow will be fit to be Christ's disciple, and will become a True Student of: The Universal Spiritual School of Practical Christianity.

THE VIRTUES OF A GOOD CHRISTIAN IN BROTHERHOOD OF THE CROSS AND STAR:

Love, truth, patience, faith, hope, joy, temperance, peace, righteousness, generosity, complacency, meekness, truthfulness, and rightful action. Being a husband of one wife, or a wife of one husband, or remaining a virgin. Mercy, honor, humility, and happiness, in what God gives, and respect towards God. Holiness, eloquence, quick to forgive one another, oneness of mind and endurance.

THE LAWS OF GOD

- 1st. **Love:** Love ye one another even as Christ loved you.
- 2nd. **Faith:** Have faith in The Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3rd. **Hope:** Have hope in God perpetually.

THE WORK OF GOD

The work of God includes: The hearing of the gospel, and putting into practice what is preached. The preaching of the gospel right through the world, being generous to the poor, the saints, the lame, the widow, the afflicted, the distressed and the sick. Hospitality to strangers and orphans. The work of God is to have faith, in His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, and to have love for one another.

HOW TO WORSHIP GOD

Paying of Tithe, Free Will Offering and Charity. Take all God has given you, divide it into ten parts, and offer unto God one part out of the ten parts. This is what is meant by paying of tithe. Render thanks unto God, on account of what He has done unto you, giving freely what you like unto God. Praying all the time, and singing His praises continually.

REFRAIN FROM EVERY BIT OF SIN

First Bible Lesson: Philippians 3:13

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

Second Bible Lesson: Romans 6:1-2

What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Golden Text: 1st Timothy 6:11

But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, Godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

Today, we are going to reveal to you, the first step, to take, to qualify you, as a man of God, worker for God, and a Child of God. This is what is really meant by Baptism. As a first step, it is so necessary that it must not be skipped. We are prepared to work for God, the moment we decide to take this step. Otherwise we are not yet ready. Preparedness to work for God, also means abandoning all earthly things, and giving up ourselves wholly, to doing good alone. Take this decision now, and you will be on the first step, up the ladder to God. After taking a strong footing on the first step, we are just about to advance. We have not yet finished the race excepting, we can count on the first step as a good start, to enable us to press on to the mark.

GOOD WORKS

The race that lies ahead of everyone to run, is doing good. But the trouble with the world is, none is wise enough to know, we cannot do that which is good, if we do not first of all stop doing that, which is bad. Therefore brethren, let us all continue in doing good, throughout our lives.

First Bible Lesson: Philippians 3:13

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

From the above text, you can see, when you have forgotten worldly things, and refrained from sin, you have done only one thing. Many things are still lying before us, to do. For instance, patience is there to be had. The Holy Spirit will direct us, and our conscience will be worried, if we do not do the first thing first; that is, if we do not refrain completely from sin, before attempting to have that patience.

COMPARISON

To what can we compare the abandoning of sin, as the first duty of a Christian? It is like the clearing up of a bush, which should be done first, before the trimming of the trees. In the process of making a farm, if the process is reversed, and the trimming is done before the clearing, the trimmings will fall over the undergrowth, and the bush will not take fire; thus it will not be possible, to clear it, for planting. For this reason, the greatest, and foremost thing, a Christian should do, is to confess his or her sins, and be baptized. In short, he or she should first refrain from all manners of sin, and the fire of The Holy Ghost will direct him or her, to do good always. We can compare anybody, who does not take this step, to a man, who misses the consecutive order of counting from one, thus missing the first thing, and cannot have his sum correct, because he ignores the first number.

Thus also, anybody, who has not completely refrained from sin, should not count himself as a servant of God. He is not fit to do anything for God.

NOT YET HOLY

This does not mean that any person, who has refrained from all sins, is holy or good enough before God. Such a person has not yet started the work of God, until he learns to love everybody as himself. Abandoning sin only shows, the person believes in God and His Son; and, he is prepared to follow God, and to do His Will.

He is determined to go forward. He has begun to hear the Gospel, and is different; from the sinful person, who can never be counted, among those, who hear the Gospel, though he be a preacher of it. So, let all those, who are now prepared to follow Christ, refrain from every bit of sin. And once they have refrained from sin, let them not go back to it. But let them go on, loving, and spreading The Teaching of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Second Bible Lesson: Romans 6:1-2

What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

After, you have been taken out of sin, would you like to go back to it; so that your soul may perish. The scriptures answer: God forbid. Anybody who stood before God, and denounced Satan, the world, and sin, should under no circumstances, go to attach himself to these things.

In 2nd Peter 2:20-22, it is written: "For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of The Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them, than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them, according to the true proverb, the dog is turned, to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed, to her wallowing in the mire."

Even if, you are to be killed, suffer death; instead of going back to sin, after you have abandoned it. The practice of goodness is the only thing that can sustain a man to be sinless. So, if you have actually abandoned sin, be sure of your salvation, by holding on to doing nothing but good. Otherwise you are not yet saved. And if you go back to sin, your last position is worse than the first. The person, who has abandoned all sins, is like a man sent to England to study. He has to resign his former appointment, before leaving for further studies. If he does not do well in his studies, and is sacked from the University, he comes back without any degree; he has lost both his job, and the University qualification, and is bound to suffer. So let all of us, who have abandoned sin, proceed at once, to do the Gospel.

We should not fail to do good after we have stopped doing evil. Otherwise we shall confuse ourselves, and be in a dilemma. If we have been making such mistakes in the past, let us resolve from today never to do so again. It is said, when a person makes the first mistake, he is a fool; but when he makes a second one, he is a bloody fool. It is indeed foolish to return to sin, after we have denounced it. At First, We may ask ourselves, "Why did we refrain from it at all?"

If sin was all that good, why did we not continue in it? Again, if we go back to sin, shall we find any good, as we perhaps thought there would be? If we will not, what gain then do those who still cling to sin have? If you abandon hundreds of sins, but still retain one, you will suffer for that one sin, just as a person, who has not refrained from 100 sins. (James 2:10). What is the use of refraining from adultery, and fornication, and still holding on to anger? It is written, a little leaven, leaveneth the whole lump. If you have refrained from all other sins, but continue to beat your children, are you not still in the grip of Satan? Has the Scripture not forbidden you from tormenting your children?

In Ephesians 6:4, it is written: "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of The Lord." You may stop actually flogging your children, but if you continue to threaten them with such words as: "I will beat you to death," are you not committing sin? This you know is provoking the children to wrath. So, if there is any sin still remaining in you, remove it right now, in order to fulfill the first, and the most important condition, to qualify you, as a Christian, and a Child of God. Among us here today are those who have abandoned all sins. There are also among us those who have one sin left; those who say, they will leave sin gradually; and there are those who say, they are not yet ready to refrain from any sin now. I ask: "what use is there, in retaining even a single sin?" There is no sense in this thing. The only wise people are those, who have refrained from all sins, and will never go back to them, in their lives. Everybody wants God. If you have one sin left, when are you going to take just the first step to God?

If you say you will not leave sin, until God does His work, and changes you, when will that be, when will God do His work? Is God not doing His work, now that you are hearing this Gospel? May I assure you, God is doing His work now? If you change, it is better. But if you continue in sin, you are laboring in vain. You are building on sand, thus making in vain the work of God in our midst. All those, who have only one sin still remaining, are the same as those, who have not forsaken any sin; and all those, who have forsaken all sins, for a while and have gone back to commit them, are like those who have never refrained from any sin. If you abandon sin for twenty years, and then suddenly, in the twenty-first year, you commit it again, you are even worse than the person, who has been committing sin continuously throughout his life. What then is the benefit you have derived from the many years you had stayed and avoided sin? May I remind you again, if you have refrained from all sins, but you do not do any good service to humanity, there is no virtue in you, and your effort to refrain from sin, is of no benefit.

Golden Text: 1st Timothy 6:11

But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, Godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

This lesson explains what is meant in the First Lesson, concerning reaching forth unto those things, which are before. Let us who have therefore refrained from sin; now go after charity, peace, humility, kindness and all the rest of the virtues. And let us note, while doing this, if we don't first of all refrain from all sins we cannot do any good; we cannot do The Work of God. Anger is of Satan. Hatred, lack of faith, stubbornness, hard-heartedness and lying are all the works of Satan. But love, faithfulness, obedience, forgiving one another, and truth, are all of God. If you do not first, do away with everything satanic, how can you have anything that is from God? If you do not stop telling lies, how can you begin to speak the truth? If you do not leave Satan, how can you hold on to God?

Now Brethren, let us all refrain from sin, and go after virtue, let us remember first, the FIRST STEP, which is refraining from all manner of sins. If we do this, we shall find Salvation for our souls. Those who have ears let them hear, may God Bless His Holy Words. Amen!

THANK YOU FATHER

THE SECOND STEP TO GOD

First Bible Lesson: 1st Corinthians 5:11

But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such a one, no, not to eat.

Second Bible Lesson: 2nd John 1:10

If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed.

Golden Text: 2nd Corinthians 6:17

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

DISASSOCIATE YOURSELF COMPLETELY FROM SINNERS

Brethren, we are going to reveal two important things to you today:

- A. The First Step to God which teaches us to refrain from sin entirely, and
- B. The Second Step to God, which also teaches us to leave fornication, falsehood, drunkenness, juju-making, lying and all manner of sins.

You are neither to eat with those who indulge in these practices, nor converse with, nor do anything with them. As you refrain from sin, you must leave sinners too, if you want to be a true son of God. How can you be the son of God without disassociating yourself from sinners? It is easier to be the son of Satan, than to be the son of God.

God does not want any bit of sin in us. If you leave sin, you must part company with sinners. You are to leave them and their deceitful practices. When we tell you to leave the world, we do not mean that you should abandon the earth, but the earthly things: wealth, money, men, women, riches, fathers, mothers, children, parents and relations. If you want to enjoy God, have nothing to do with sinners, even their greetings. God does not want their prayers or songs. Their actions are sinful. God does not hear the prayers of sinners.

Brethren, today's preaching is meant for all those, who have finished with The First Step to God, that is: Leaving sin completely. If you corroborate with a sinner, you are a sinner, an earthly man, a fornicator, and everything evil.

It is a great sin for a Christian to eat, drink, converse, exchange greetings, or have anything to do with a sinner. That was why Paul was annoyed when he saw Peter eating

with the Gentiles. He, (Paul), disgraced him, (Peter), in public. (Galatians 2:11-14) Until you disassociate yourself completely from sinners, you are an earthly man. This was the reason why Christ chose His 12 disciples, and had them separated from the world.

They had nothing to do with false doctrines, juju men, unbelievers, doubtful followers, money, cigarettes, and drinks. We too must have no business with them, if really we are the sons of God. It is not possible to be God's friend, or His son, without first of all, leaving sinners, and their sinful ways.

First Bible Lesson: 1st Corinthians 5: 11

But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such a one, no, not to eat.

ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN?

Brethren do you see, there is no subtraction? If you have done the "First Step to God," and this Step you know, you are near to God. Do not keep company with any brother who is a backbiter, fornicator, idolater etc. Christ was said to be a friend of sinners, but ever since He died and shed His blood, He has no business with sinners anymore. God counts as nothing, the death of 100 sinners a day. He hates people who backbite against His workers. What you take pride in doing, is what He hates. It is disgraceful for a Christian to drink, or smoke, or associate with unbelievers. What are you going to preach to them? Nothing in them is good, even the food they cook. If you keep company with sinners, you sin against God; and your prayers are not answered. Do you see now why Christ said: "if you do not forsake your father, or mother, you can't be God's follower?" (Matthew 19:29) You do not hate him, but you should hate his bad ways.

Traitors are unbelievers; whatever you do for them, is lost. God does not count them as His children; and He does not listen to them. I stress that you should not associate with them. Even their word means evil. Do not be surprised to see their prayers worsening a sickness, instead of improving it. They are nothing. This gospel is not meant for them, but for those, who have forsaken sin.

Second Bible Lesson: 2nd John 1: 10

If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed.

THE WEAPON

This is our weapon and salvation. Any brother or sister, who does not bring this teaching to you, do not greet him, or her, or entertain them. Let him go his or her way, for by

keeping his or her company, you have offended God. Christ said: "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees." (Matthew Chapter 16:6, Mark 8:15, Luke 12:1). The leaven is the false prophet. Why entertain him, when he says, the time of The Holy Spirit, and vision has passed? This is the last teaching, and the revelation of The Word of God. Do not listen to whoever teaches you to wear earrings, and other ornaments; because this is against Bible teachings. (1st Peter 3:3-4) Do not rejoice with a sinner, or share with him in committing any sin, even if he is your brother, or your relative. If you do, you bear his burden.

Why do you listen to those, who speak evil words against God, whereas you get annoyed when evil is said about your earthly father? You will find the Second Step difficult if you haven't passed The First Step. Brethren, let's think well. There is no greater sin, than rejoicing with sinners. The Apostles of old had nothing to do with sinners. If you want to be clean, be clean from head to toe; otherwise the juju-maker will laugh at you, on the last day.

Golden Text: 2nd Corinthians 6: 17

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

WHERE DO YOU STAND?

Do you understand the above lesson? After this sermon, if you still have something to do with a backbiter, you are a confusionist; you are a pig that throws itself into a muddy place, after being washed. The food of a backbiter, his water, words, even his greetings, are poisonous. To associate with the Child of God, you must always be clean. Do not touch any unclean thing, and I will hear you, when you call on me. Leave all sinners, otherwise you are lost. Many lament why they should be Brotherhood, yet things are hard with them. Do you keep to advice? How can the Child of God serve a demon? The Child of God works for The Father. If you do not leave sin, how will you not touch unclean things? Psalm 1 says: "Do not walk in the counsel of the unGodly, nor stand in the way of sinners, nor sit in the seat of the scornful."

God does not lack children. Remember the Parable of the Sower; how he planted good seeds, but the wicked one came, and planted wild seeds among the good ones. (Matthew Chapter 13:25-30) Satan swears, he will continue to mix up with the Children of God, so as to cause them, to denounce God. I tell you this with tears in my eyes, the time has come to select out the real Brotherhood. So do not let Satan laugh at you. God, your Father, has everything for you; so you should require nothing from the house of the lost ones. Your Father has silver and gold. Life is in His hands. A man of God should not befriend a worldly man, because he is blind and deaf. Take this gospel home and practice it. You will become the Children of God. You know we are looking for saints now. If you are not a saint, and you are no longer a juju-maker, where do you stand? Surely the world will laugh at you. If you want to serve God, do

so whole-heartedly, so that He may take you as a child, and then you will have salvation. Those who have ears to hear let them hear. May the Lord bless the preaching of His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

THE THIRD STEP TO GOD: THE CONCEPT OF EQUALITY REVISITED

First Bible Lesson: Luke 12:48

But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

Second Bible Lesson: Luke 3:11

He answereth and saith unto them, He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise.

Golden Text: 2nd Corinthians 8:14

But by an equality, that now at this time your abundance may be a supply for their want, that their abundance also may be a supply for your want: that there may be equality.

EQUALITY, THE COMMENCEMENT OF BROTHERHOOD

Brethren, what you have heard is what we want to reveal to you this morning. The summary of the lessons constitutes the "primary," as well as, the "University," Brotherhood. It is the real Brotherhood. The Gospels preached about the qualities of love, patience, truth, honesty and humility hang on the lesson on Equality. That is the commencement of Brotherhood, by sharing all you have with those less fortunate than yourself. It is also the complete Brotherhood, sharing equally whatever you possess, so that none is more abundant than the other, and none is in lack, that there may be equality. Whatever is made by God is meant to be shared equally, amongst the Children of God.

It is for lack of the wisdom of truth that, man accumulates everything for himself, in one spot, so that the wealth accumulated gets rotten; some wasting away, others destroyed by rodents and wild animals, while others die. Meanwhile the children of men are dying of hunger. If you are able to practice all other Gospels, but cannot practice this Gospel, you have scored a zero. This Gospel is like beginning to count the arithmetical numerals starting from "zero," or "nought". And nought or zero, as you know, is the beginning, and end of the numerals. You are true witnesses to the fact; the zero is the starting point of arithmetical numerals, before one or two is counted. This "0" or the zero makes up most of the numbers. It makes the '10,' or '20,' or '50,' or '100,' or '1000,' or one million, or one billion. The '0' is therefore the "A" and the "Z": the Beginning and the End.

EQUALITY WORKS HUMILITY

This Gospel is the initial step, the 'ABC,' in understanding, The Work of God. If you have two coats, you have to give one to the person, who has none. As God has blessed you, so you have to share all your resources, equally, with those, who are less fortunate, than yourselves. This is the commencement of The Gospel of God. When you possess love, truth, patience,

meekness, mercy and self-control, equality is the foundation on which these virtues rest; and if you have equality, in addition to other virtues, you are perfect. It appears to be the least of the Gospels, indeed very infinitesimal; and when you listen to it, you may ask, if that is all, you are expected to do: giving one of your two coats to another person who has none. But I want to put it to you; it is the greatest, the final, and indeed, the most significant of all the Gospels preached.

Our own salvation, and that of the whole world, hangs on this Efficacious Gospel. Those, to whom God had promised would inherit this Kingdom, are those who practice this Gospel. If you fail to practice the Gospel, it means, you will have no share, in The Kingdom of God. This Gospel does not require vision, prayer or preaching. This Gospel should be written, circulated and distributed to all parts of the world, to enable every soul to read, and understand the wisdom of the truth. It does not serve any useful purpose, for you to seek after vision, prayer, or to receive lessons. But practice the Gospel, and all will be well with you. Whosoever receives and practices this Gospel, his eyes will be opened, and he will no longer steal, or tell lies, or commit murder, or indulge in any act, of sin.

EVERY PERSON IS EQUAL BEFORE GOD

It does not only end with your sharing the two items of clothing, and food mentioned, but includes also, all the material possessions. Having been bestowed with the manifold blessings of God, you are now called upon; to share all you have, with those, who are not as fortunate, as yourself. A great many people become worried, and would want to break their heads, when they are told, in Brotherhood, every person is equal. Those, who call themselves chiefs and kings, find it difficult to accept that, with their possessions, they can be equal with schoolboys, the unemployed, and the orphans. They feel, they should not be equated, with any other classes of people. What you are listening to now is The Gospel of Equality, and I wish that you listen attentively, in order to assimilate it.

THE THIRD STEP

You are aware that we have the First Step to God and the Second Step to God. The provisions of the two books lead you to this Final Gospel of Equality. You do not require that somebody should preach this Gospel to you, or that you should be offered prayer. It does not require testimony. You know its efficacy. There is no compulsion about it. But whosoever has two things, should give one to him, who has not. You should not wait, until he requests of you. It is intended to be a voluntary, or humanitarian service. Knowing that you are the child of The Father, whatever you have, share with other children of The Father less fortunate, than yourself.

THIS GOSPEL IS A SINE QUA NON TO EVERY BROTHERHOOD

I want every inhabitant, the world over, to know, this Gospel is the everlasting principle, laid down in this New Kingdom of God, with which every person has to comply. Once you are elected into Brotherhood, you should know, the practice of this Gospel is your hobby, your extracurricular activity. When you begin to think about money, you will appreciate, money in itself is nothing. In the same way, land is not useful in itself. Food, per se is not useful, unless it is consumed by man. A motor vehicle is not useful in itself, when no one enters to drive it. You erect a story building, reaching to the sky, if you do not practice this Gospel, by giving the apartments of the house for people to live in, the house by itself is not useful in anyway.

All the material possessions, you will appreciate, are not an end itself, but only means, to an end. The end is The Gospel of Equality, sharing all you have with those who are not as fortunate as yourself, so that every person can use the resources to serve God. God created all things first, before He created man. He created water, dry land, trees, animals, food and all other things, and kept them properly; preparatory to the creation of man, so that man might use those things to maintain himself, and that all might be at peace; and that man should superintend over all His creations. Man cannot live properly without these possessions. Similarly, if man does not exist, the material possessions are void. God the Father is greater than us, and we are greater than any of the possessions.

All possessions are under us, and in turn, we are under The Father, who owns everything. God has created these things so we might be strengthened, and enabled to serve Him, and glorify Him for His handiwork. That is why, the rich is cursed. "Woe unto you who are rich, for you have received your consolation." (Luke 6:24) The rich will not enter into The Kingdom of God, for as long as they continue to amass wealth, put their money in the bank, or build store houses, and keep their wealth, no useful purpose is served. Such an action does no good to any person. What is it to you, if you erect a house, and furnish it heavily, but no person lives in the house; the house becomes useless, and you, the builder are useless as well.

NO CLASS STRATIFICATION IN THE KINGDOM

In this Kingdom, there is no place set aside or a city created specifically for the rich, where they keep their money and wealth. This means, no rich man has a place in the Kingdom. In the Kingdom also, there is no place set aside specifically for a person, who has many children, but would not want them to serve God and his fellow man. There is no room for those, who build houses in all the towns and cities, and put up signs, "House to Let (Rent)". As a result of the number of houses they have built, they boast since they have houses in all the towns, they should be allotted important places in the Kingdom. There is no room for such house owners. That is why Our Lord Jesus Christ says: "What shall it profit a man, if he

gains the whole world, and loses his own soul, or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matthew 16:26) He also says: "Go to now, you rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you." (James 5:1). How do those, who are rich in the things of this world, look at their wealth? Do they regard them as pieces of furniture, or articles of adornment? They are not for any of these purposes, but are given to them for safekeeping, intended to be distributed to those who are less fortunate than themselves. Consequently, they will not only have self-satisfaction, but also loose eternal life. Wealth is an instrument to us, and we are instruments to The Father. We have to employ these resources in the Service of God, that there may be satisfactory service in The Father's Vineyard. All the currency minted should be used in the Service of God, distributed to those who are poor. All food crops, planted and harvested, should be used in feeding those who are hungry.

MAN'S PROPER FOOD PRESCRIBED

You have heard, in the beginning God said: "Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat." (Genesis 1:29) There is no place specifically allocated for money, or wealth to be kept, in this Kingdom of God. There is no place where food is prepared and kept, without being eaten; but people keep watch over it, fanning it and protecting it from being destroyed, from day to day.

When food is prepared, it is meant for people to eat, this is done every day. There is no empty or unoccupied house, in this Kingdom, on the wall of which is inscribed: "house to let." All are occupied. It is a wrong connotation to say, "Home to let." For whom is the home built? Who built it? It is my home, and you own it, it is built for us. Do not put up that notice, and as soon as a house is erected, get in, eat there and sleep.

DELIBERATE ACTIONS CARRY HEAVIER PUNISHMENT

You should go home and sleep over this Gospel, and then ask yourself, to whom do all the things belong. The things are owned by man, who has no second. It is said heaven and earth belong to Jehovah, and the fullness thereof. What belongs to Him also belongs to His children. That is why the Scripture has told us, a slave, who is ignorant of his lord's will, shall be beaten with few stripes. And so, if you do not know, all the food, and other material things belong to man, and that you should use them for the benefit of your fellow man, you will be inflicted with a few strokes of the cane. But any person, who has known the provision, since this Gospel has now been imparted to the whole world, from high heaven, but fails to comply with the provision, then he will be inflicted with many stripes. (Luke 12:47) I want this Gospel to be properly written and circulated to all parts of the world, and to men of all stations in life from Queen Elizabeth of England, to the presidents of European and American countries, because it is The Voice of God, descending upon the world. This Gospel is the cause of

confusion and rebellion, death and sickness, the affliction and tribulations plaguing the world. An English adage has it; a hungry man is an angry person. What will you tell a hungry person, to induce him to listen to you?

DO NOT AMASS WEALTH FOR YOURSELF

The Wisdom of God is higher than that of man. So He started by creating the earth, heaven, water, dry land, food and other things; so that, His children might not perish of hunger, under pains of starvation. But you have not been instructed to accumulate all the things, in reservation for yourself, as your bona fide property. You neither eat them, nor give them out to others, but you preserve them there, while many are dying of starvation. Observe that their souls will haunt you. The rich always argue, it is not a true statement, it is woe unto the rich, they cannot explain why they, who possess wealth, should be cursed. I want to tell you, the statement is true. As long as you are rich in the things of this world, but you close the bowels of your kindness, by not distributing what you have to others, who are not as fortunate as yourself, it is woe betides you.

BE NOT FORGETFUL IN ENTERTAINING STRANGERS

A great many people erroneously argue, food is nothing, but I tell you, food is an important thing. Of all the material things enumerated, food occupies the first position. When Our Lord Jesus Christ appeared unto His disciples after His resurrection, what did He ask them? (Luke 24:41) What was the first thing done by Abraham and his wife, when the angels went to their house? The first thing they did was to prepare food for the strangers. (Genesis 18:4-8) That is why the Scriptures have advised; we should not be forgetful in entertaining strangers. (Hebrews 13:2). Entertaining visitors is the first and foremost thing, one should do. It was by entertaining strangers; Abraham had a share, in The Kingdom of God. Do you not remember Our Lord Jesus Christ asked His disciples about the guest chamber? What is a guest chamber or a guesthouse? Guest chambers are established anywhere for strangers to lodge. This is the preliminary thing that should be done in Brotherhood.

Very soon guesthouses will be established and opened so, whoever comes, lodges there, eats, washes, and rests. What did Lot and his wife do, when those two angels entered their home? (Genesis 19:1-3) The first thing was for them to prepare food for the strangers. What did Rahab, the prostitute; do for the two spies from Israel, who visited Jericho? (Joshua 2:1-24) The first thing she did was to entertain them, and to make them feel at home. She gave them water to wash, food to eat, and a place to lie down. When the various signs and omens shown by God, through Moses to convince Pharaoh, to release the children of Israel from bondage, failed; because Pharaoh's heart was hardened, what was the last omen on the last day? God instructed Moses to conduct a feast, using the first male of each animal, whether of sheep or

of goat, or of any other animal slaughtered, roasted and eaten by the congregation, with great jubilation, after which the Pharaoh will release the Israelites. That was the function of food, you do not regard as anything. Who says food is not important?

THE IMPORTANCE OF FOOD

By what means did Jacob usurp the birthright of his brother Esau? It was through red pottage of lentils. Returning from his hunting expedition, where Esau had killed large animals, he was about to die from hunger. He asked for food but was told there was no food. As he was almost fainting, he said to his brother Jacob: "feed me I pray you, with the same red pottage, for I am faint." But Jacob gave a condition: "Sell me this day your birthright." Esau told him: "Behold I am at the point of death, and what profit shall this birth right be to me?" Esau therefore, with an oath, sold his birth right to Jacob, for a pottage of lentils. Jacob did not usurp the birth right with any other device. And Esau did not consider it important to consider his birth right, because when you are hungry you are not yourself any longer; you will complain, and curse every person, and ask your God what sort of life you are living.

BLESSINGS ACCRUING FROM ENTERTAINMENT

When Isaac was about to die, he called Esau and told him: "my son I am old. I know not the day of my death. Take your weapons and quiver and your bow, and go to the field, and take me some venison, and make me savory meat such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat, and that my soul may bless you, before I die." Why did Isaac not tell Esau, come and let me bless you, but said go and bring venison, and prepare savory meat? Why did the mother of Jacob not urge Esau to go and receive blessings from his father? She did not say that because she knew what it was. That was why she took a fat goat, and prepared delicious food for Jacob to give to Isaac. This explains why it is said; we should not be forgetful to entertain strangers for some have entertained angels unawares. (Hebrews 13:2).

When you argue, food is nothing, why is it, you have food enough and to spare in the house, but you refuse to give a part to some other persons, who have nothing to eat? You assert that you do not worship anything, but why do you have five naira, and the other person has not even got one kobo, but you fail to give him even one naira? If your brother is hungry and is sick, and has no clothes to cover his nakedness, you offer prayers over him and he recuperates, but he is very hungry and naked, and you pray that God should be with him. How is that? He is now naked and hungry. When he was sick he did not feel the pangs of hunger, and he did not realize that he was nude, but you prayed, God should be with him, at the time he is hungry, and has needs to wear clothes. Have you remembered what happened between that widow and prophet Elijah? It was the question of food.

He was sent to hide himself by the brook Cherith, to drink from the brook, and ravens were commanded to feed him every day. After a while the brook dried up, and he had to face

the stark realities of life. But when he wanted to go up the hill, he met the widow who was assigned to sustain him. (1st Kings 17:9). Following that kind gesture, The Father's work continued to grow, from strength to strength. There are so many examples, I may not want to cite here.

THE REPERCUSSIONS OF IDLENESS

Remember that rich king, who said the man of God was lazy, and for that reason refused to help; but one of the wives always prepared food, and took to David, whom the king referred to as an idle fellow. When he discovered, the wife used to sustain David, he was very angry.

What happened at last? God took away all his wealth, and handed them over to someone, who was prepared to use the wealth, in the glorification of The Kingdom of God. Do you believe you are always afflicted for your failure to practice The Word of God, delivered to you today? Sometimes when angels visit your house, they go there with good news and wealth, but you dilly-dally, and wish, God should be with them. They will return with the wealth. If in the past you considered, money was greater than a human being, you should now repent, because you are overwhelmed with darkness. A human being is better than food, or money, or motor vehicle and all other material things in the world. Man is greater, and in a better position than all mundane things. I do not want to overload you with these facts. Our First Lesson will now be read. Listen attentively to The Words of God.

First Bible Lesson: Luke 12: 48

But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

Brethren, what is read to you is the foundation of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. This is the sole worker in all parts of the world. Have you not seen this foundation in this Gospel? Are you not witnessing for Him? Are you not seeing these things for yourself? Is there any point in time, when you were brought with sickness, and you were not cured of your ailment, and in addition given food to eat? From the beginning of time, this has been the order, to distribute wealth to every person, and share everything equally with everyone. You have been elected, but you do not comply with the order. You have failed. Is there any particular day, there was no food for any person in Brotherhood?

MAN OWNS NOTHING. GOD OWNS ALL

In Brotherhood there is no secret. Have you not seen the Guest House? It is not opened for nothing. That is the real work of God. When Brotherhood will start in earnest, food will be

prepared, and kept everywhere, in all nooks and crannies for people to eat. Clothes will be kept too. Wherever you would want to go, a motor vehicle will be readily available. In this New Kingdom, no person owns anything. Everything belongs to God. It is time for Him to use all His wealth, to reveal His glory. When you watch carefully you will discover, you are very healthy and strong. No person has dominion over you. If your family rejects you, what else do you want? You have already eaten to your satisfaction.

You have food and a dwelling place; therefore, you should not bother yourself with family property. What weapon has your family used to suppress you? Is it not food? They give you a condition, if you continue to be Brotherhood, they will not educate you, and you will not be assisted. They will disown you, and when you turn round to discover, you have no kobo, you will have no better alternative than to remain with them, even under the pain of death. You are aware of the system of policies; if you do not belong to a political party, which holds the reins of power, then money cannot be given to you; but they want to use the money as an inducement and as a bait, to cause you to cross, to their party. This is what obtains everywhere in the world. It was the same trick Jacob applied, to usurp the birthright, of Esau. (Genesis 25:31-33). This is the order of the day. Tell me why things will be well with a rich man; in as much as, he has been given wealth by God, but he closes the bowels of his mercy and kindness against the poor, who are dying of hunger. They do not understand the wealth is not theirs. They are only caretakers. But they have chosen to reserve all the wealth for themselves. They do not make use of them, nor do they eat them, nor give to others.

You do not come with anything into the world, nor will you take anything with you, when you will return. Sometimes you are fortunate to be born into a family with a golden spoon in your mouth, where everything has been ready-made for you. A very good foundation, for your wealth is laid, and very soon you become very rich. But you bluntly refuse to distribute them, to those less fortunate than yourself. What wisdom is there? If you do not contribute your wealth, what then will be used, in the furtherance of The Work of God, to all parts of the world? That is why it is said; whosoever does not comply with the master's instruction, as a result of ignorance will be beaten with a few stripes. But when he has known, all the riches bestowed on him belong to God, he should distribute them to the poor, the needy, the afflicted and the wounded, to enable them to serve God, and so turn darkness into light. If you accumulate all your riches, for yourself alone, instead of sharing them with your fellow man, the punishment, which will be imposed on you, will be severe.

DAILY BREAD

When the disciples of Our Lord Jesus Christ asked the Master to teach them how to pray, what did He teach them? He taught them to pray saying: "give us this day our daily bread." He emphasized "Our Daily Bread." Has God not given you your Daily Bread? Whatever is left over, after your daily bread, does not belong to you. You should share the remaining

ones with others, because He will continue to give you your bread, day by day, ad infinitum. Whoever does not have this Gospel is an abominable man, a child of perdition. But if you receive it, and practice it, you will be prosperous, wealthy, and healthy, and have eternal life. And The Father will bestow all blessings on you, being regarded as a good storekeeper, into whose care, The Father will entrust all His riches. And Our Lord Jesus Christ asks: "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his lord shall make ruler, over His household; to give them their portion of meat, in due season?" He continued to say: "Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Of a truth I say unto you, that He will make him ruler over all that He hath." (Luke 12:43-44)

THE EVIL EFFECTS OF STRINGENCY

Have you not heard the parable of the five talents, the two talents and the one talent? What was the five talents? It symbolizes a person who distributes his riches to others. If he has two coats he will give one to somebody, who has none; and when The Father comes, he will be made to rule over an extensive kingdom. If God has given you a lot of money or many children, and you reserve all to yourself, instead of distributing them with others, or if you inherited land, and other property, but refuse to share all with other persons, there is no wisdom behind your action. If you do not distribute your riches to others, you are not only in a pitiful situation, but you have also been condemned. What is the significance of one talent? It symbolizes a very thrifty, and an unknown person. He is a tightfisted, stingy and miserly person like you, who loves carnal things, more than things of God. Therefore, whosoever has been bestowed with riches, and he fails to use them for the good of his fellow man, such a person has his portion with unbelievers. He is in everlasting fire, burning with brimstone, where he desires for life, and there is no life. Even if he desires to die, death runs away from him. Tell it to the entire world, whosoever does not comply with the Words of this Gospel, remains in eternal torment, and damnation.

Whether you attend church or not, whatever your church denomination is, whether you are a Christian or not, this Gospel is for the inhabitants of the earth. No matter what religious affiliation you have, whatever is your religion, whether Hindu, Judaism, Mohammedanism, Christianity, Buddhism or any other, God's injunction is, if you have much, you have to distribute to others who have not. Whether you are a member of the Rosicrucian, Amorc, Ogboni, or any of the secret societies, God tells you to give part of your wealth to others not as fortunate as yourself. It is not right that you should reserve anything for yourself, but rather, distribute, all your resources to the poor, the pauper, the orphan, the wounded, the sick and the maimed

TAKE NO THOUGHT FOR THE MORROW

Brethren, can you remember what happened to the children of Israel, when they were in the desert? In the wilderness, they were fed with manna, which fell like rain from heaven. Everyday enough manna fell to feed them, according to the words of The Lord's Prayer, "give us this day our daily bread." It is the promise of God that for every person born into the world, He has prepared enough for him; and not only humans, but also animals and birds, even the sand on the ground are being catered for. As we are talking now, our food for tomorrow is now ready, our food for next week, next month, next year, indeed, for every day, till eternity, is ready. He has not refused to give us food, day by day.

The main trouble besetting the whole world is not what they will eat or drink, or put on, but the selfish accumulation of wealth, which they preserve for themselves, without giving out to any person, without using them, but allowing them to rot away, while a great many people are dying of hunger. How many times will something happen to serve as a warning to you? It has been said, every man's work shall be made manifest, for the day shall declare it; and fire shall try every man's work, of what sort it is. What happened to you, during the Nigerian Civil War? Were you left with even a kobo? Were you not going almost nude, like animals? All your wealth had been gradually phased out, and you were left at the position of abject poverty. What brought about the whole situation?

It is love for wealth, instead of God, who created them, and their fellow human beings. This is God's instruction and advice. It is incumbent upon every person to abide by it, no matter your station in life. No matter the figment of your body, do not seek to know anybody, before you assist him. But once God has given you wealth, if you come across any person in need, God wants you to use your wealth for the good of others, in love.

FAILURE TO DISTRIBUTE YOUR WEALTH BRINGS SUFFERING

I want to tell you what happens to you, when you complain, your wealth has been seriously depleted, you are completely exhausted, or all your money has been taken away by people, in an extortionate way; that some obtain it under false pretenses, some stolen by thieves, and some of it was consumed in fire. It is because you are not faithful to God, and you are beaten with few stripes, but there is another punishment, more serious than that and which will afflict you in the future. As I have already told you, the children of Israel were fed with manna from on high, day by day, but one of them collected the manna, after eating to his satisfaction, he kept part to reserve it, for his tomorrow's meal.

At any point in time, in every community there must be a tempter, and the temptation must also be revealed to somebody. In the morning the manna melted. It is this selfish attitude, which has brought about all the woes and wretchedness in the world. Sometime ago, Nigeria was said to be the richest country. She even started giving loans to other countries.

But today she is the poorest country. Why has she become the poorest country, now? It is because she has not assisted the poor and the needy. She does not make good use of the money. Those in power put the country's money, into their own pockets. Others struggle to share the national cake, each trying to grab as much as, they can keep. In the course of these struggles, various avenues are opened through which thieves and swindlers also share in the booty.

God knows all about Nigeria. A great many people suffer and are afflicted, as a result of this attitude. Every time it is reported, a house has been burnt; thieves have broken into the banks; robbers have burglarized a shop. Have you used your means to help the unfortunate ones, as God has instructed?

NO PRECONDITION FOR ASSISTING THOSE LESS FORTUNATE THAN YOURSELF

If we were to understand, the wisdom given us by God, is meant to be used for the good of others, so that we remain in peace; then all money given us, is meant to be used in common, with our fellow man. All other things we have, are meant to be used, by mankind in common. God does not regard, one thing is inferior or superior, to the other. What remains to be done is for us to make good use of these resources, in the Service of God; and for the good of our fellow workers, in the vineyard. This statement does not imply, if you do not have, you should give. The statement is quite plain. He says those who have two coats, should impart one to those, who have none. Those who have should give to those who have not, so, there should be no sadness, no weeping, no regrets in this Kingdom, and so there may be no sickness. Do not set any condition for anything you do; neither promise paying at the end of the month, nor pledge to your property to indemnify yourself, or ask for a fee, before you render any services. If you behave in this way, you are completely overwhelmed with darkness, and great suffering. Brethren, it does not so much matter whether you are educated or not, for high educational attainment, cannot influence it. Whether you sing or do not sing, has nothing to do with it. Dexterous dance cannot also influence the turn of events. You cannot be exempted, no matter what your station in life has been. Whatsoever God has bestowed on you, use them in helping those, who have not. Once you do this, it is enough evidence; you are practicing The Word of God.

THE SPIRIT OF ONENESS

There are now certain countries practicing "oneness," communism. If therefore, every person in our country practices this Gospel, there will be no theft, no death, no sickness, and murder will be considerably reduced, and every person will remain in peace and tranquility. That is what I have brought. What you hear today is the real truth, and it is Brotherhood. Every person should be engaged somehow, in order to help others less fortunate than himself. This does not mean people should be idle. All hands should be on deck, producing

something not only to support one's self, but also to assist others. He has given you hands to work for Him. He has given you eyes to see, for Him; and He has given you the mind to reason, for Him. This is not a matter to wait until it is revealed to you in a vision, or until you have a dream.

The Spirit has already told you to work and earn a living, and, whatever you have should be used in the Service of God. Whether we like it or not, that is the indebtedness of every person to God. And if you do not comply with it, you are lost. It is said, to obey, is better than sacrifice, and to harken than, the fat of rams. Do what you may, you only deceive yourself, if you are rich in the things of this world, but you see your brother, who is in want and has need; but you shut up your bowels of compassion from him. How can the love of God dwell in you?

God has given you one thousand naira, but you come across a brother, who does not even have a kobo, neither has he any clothing to cover his nudity, must you wait for him to ask you for aid, when you have known his need? You have to give him money, buy clothes for him, and arrange for his food. God will surely bless you. This provision is neither grievous, nor burdensome on you. If you have only one, you have no problem. God Himself knows, you have only one, and cannot give it away to another person. This injunction is not binding on you. In the same token, if two of you have equal quantities of goods, it does not imply, you should add your own, to what he already has. The injunction is also not binding on you. It does not imply, if two of you have twenty things each, you should add ten of yours to his, so that he may have thirty, while you have ten. What it does imply is that all those, who have, should look after those, who have not. Our Second Lesson will now be read, because in the mouth of two or three witnesses, every word may be established.

Second Bible Lesson: Luke 3: 11

He answereth and saith unto them, He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise.

Brethren, have you heard what has been read to you? He has merely used these two items to serve as examples. This is the finality of The Gospel of God. These two examples are meant to help you work out a system, of distribution, of all other possessions, of yours. Decide within you and take it, as a point of duty. Whoever is lacking in anything, if you have two of them, give one to the person, who has none. You shall have then complied with the instruction of God.

If you come across somebody, who has children, but has no food to feed them, and you have enough food, send food to them; and henceforth, you have to look after them food wise. If you have a number of children, but know of someone, who has no child to fetch water for him, you have to send some of your children, to serve him. With whatever item you have been

blessed with by God, whether food or land, or house, or any other thing, since that particular thing is not yours it belongs to God; and it is God who owns it, you are bound to share with others. He has given this injunction that any person, who has two coats, should give one to him, who has none. He who has food should do likewise. And every other item should be treated in the same way. This instruction does not come from man, but from God. Those who are blessed abundantly, but who refuse to give out to others, are regarded as saboteurs.

SPIRITUAL INSPECTION

Angels are now going from house to house inspecting the attitude of every person. That is why there are so many losses, and people suffer from diverse forms of illness. Sometimes they are sick to the point of spending all their money to obtain treatment and yet no success. What has brought about bribery and corruption? Is it not for this very reason? What brings about robbery? Is it not misery? What prompts necromancy and preparation of concoctions? It is the same thing. All the sins and vices plaguing this world emanate from this Gospel. If we, therefore, abide by The Words of The Gospel, there would be no problem and difficulty, no theft, no falsehood, no exasperation, no deceit and no sickness. Abiding by this Gospel is not grievous. Whatever you are blessed with does not belong to you; whether it is money, food, house, land, children, all are given by God; and you are ignorant of how they managed their way, into your hands. It is expedient that, since nothing belongs to you, distribute these things to those less fortunate than yourself. So Brethren, if you have not put into practice this Gospel, you have not yet started The Work of God. Sometimes a person may have money, but when you ask him for aid he denies that he has. This is different from a case in which somebody has been known to be koboless (penniless), but you have money. What prevents you from giving money to such a poor person?

IT IS BETTER TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE (ACTS 20:35)

God has never instructed you to give a loan of ten thousand naira to any person. Somebody, who already has five thousand naira, comes to you to obtain a loan of ten thousand naira. What does he want to do with the money? It is said, "he who has two coats should give one to him, who has none." Sometimes somebody has five naira, but goes to another person to borrow five naira, to make ten naira for his need. If I am placed in that position, I would not give you, because you have not exhausted the five naira you have. God has not implied, you should give to those, who already have, but He says: "Anyone who has two coats should give one to him who has none." He who has food and other things should do the same thing. The emphasis is on, "Those who have none."

Unless you have never experienced poverty, you will be ignorant of the condition of the poor ones. Poverty or want is the worst sickness, in the world. If there is a person, who does not have even a kobo or cloth to wear, such a person is not fit to live. Do not joke with any

person, who is in a position of abject poverty. If you toy with him, he can cut off your head, or deal with you anyhow. On the other hand whenever you come across somebody in lack, if you give him even one kobo he will be very happy, knocking his head on the ground several times, and will pray that God should bless you. Indeed, God will bless you.

It is incumbent upon you to abide by this Gospel. We should neither add nor subtract anything from The Gospel. Take note, when you get out from here, you should not go begging, somebody should give you soutane. What about the one you are wearing is it yet torn into rags?

TO WHOM MUCH IS GIVEN, MUCH IS REQUIRED

There may be a sick person, who has money, but he wants to recover from illness. If you give him money has he complained he needs money? He wants to be well. There may be another person, who has both food and money, but he is illiterate. He cannot even write a letter, and is asking for somebody, who will write a letter for him, but he cannot find anyone. When you go there and give him money, does he require your money? He wants you to write a letter for him. Go and write, since you are educated. We should be extremely careful in practicing this Gospel. We should not practice it in a way, which does not give glory to God. God has said, anyone who has two coats should impart one to him who has none. He who has food, houses or other things, whenever you have two things, give one to him who has none, so that you may be equal.

God has never tempted man. If you have not, he will not advise you to steal from another person. But He says any person who has should give to you. It is said, "To whom much is given, much is also required." (Luke 12:48) If he does not give, what will be required from you? He rather wants somebody who is abundantly provided to give to you. This Gospel does not work any evil to any person, who has nothing; neither does it work evil to him who has, but it is beneficial to both. Why those who are rich suffer is, they conserve all they have, for themselves. They may be hopelessly sick, they spend a lot of money to obtain treatment. They may be beset with diverse problems and difficulties, losses, and bankruptcy, because they have refused to distribute their wealth to the poor, the needy, the orphans and the wounded. For not giving to those people you are suffering, as an unbeliever. Sometimes you are induced to drink like the bee; and you spend all your money, and that is when you are in a state of penury. I can also induce you to be a chain smoker, or chronic fornicator, or a notorious idolater. If you were able to abide by the instructions, those problems would be solved, and you would call a halt, to the sinful behavior. It is God Himself who has caused you to spend your money in these ways, because you refuse to spend it in the Service of God, by showing kindness and benevolence to those less fortunate, than yourself.

HANNAH PRACTICED THE GOSPEL

There is no other medium through which you can be prosperous, and have glory, and also enter into The Kingdom of God, apart from practicing The Gospel of this day. The only way through which you can be poor and wretched, and have all your wealth taken away from you, is by your rejection of this Gospel, and the instructions contained therein. Any person in the world, who rejects the instructions imparted today, has rejected his life, and his very existence. What is the wisdom in your having all the wealth, but you are of no assistance to any person, and after sometime you pass away? It means, both you, and your wealth are lost. Have you not heard what the Scripture says, "he who has, to him shall be given, and he who has not, from him shall be taken, even, which he has." (Matthew 13:12, Matthew 25:29). God knew Eli and his two sons would be taken away. But Hannah surrendered her only son to Eli, even though she was barren. But by giving her only child to Eli, God gave her five other children. What did she lose? If you practice this Gospel, you will never again be poor or wretched. You have entered heaven, and you will be friendly with all men. You will be a good person. You will have peace. Sickness and wretchedness will be taken away. Our Golden Text will now be read.

Golden Text: 2nd Corinthians 8: 14

But by an equality, that now at this time your abundance may be a supply for their want, that their abundance also may be a supply for your want: that there may be equality.

Brethren, notice The Wisdom of God. That is why, when you are sent as a light into your family, sell the light to every other person; do not regard it as your bona fide property. Use it equally for the good of all men. In your village or community, whatever God has bestowed on you, should be used in a very beneficial way to all. Whatever God has bestowed to anyone in this world, should be used in assisting, and aiding others. This is the divine order of God. He is never discriminatory. You are aware; He loves every person in the same way. He thinks about every person in the same way.

YOU ARE ONLY A STEWARD

You have heard, Adam was appointed to superintend over and control all God's creations. God has appointed man to look after His own handiwork. God cannot pour money along the street, at the market square, inside your house, and instruct the money to begin work. But money is given to man by God, and to be used in His own Service. He has also bestowed money, and other wealth for you to use for the good of mankind; and so glorify God. You will not find it difficult to distribute the wealth you have gathered, once you have the understanding, you are a treasurer, a steward, a messenger, and an administrator of estates; and so you are aware, they do not belong to you, but to The Father, and that The Owner has come.

IF YOU PRACTICE THIS GOSPEL, YOU HAVE A KINGDOM TO RULE

What He has promised you is, if you practice His Words appropriately and uprightly, when He comes to inspect your performance, He will give you a large kingdom to rule over, and will bestow all riches to you, and make everything quite clear to you. All the power, glory and ruler ship that we want are based on this Gospel, i.e. whether you have used your resources, to assist your fellow man, in the service of God. From today you should regard yourself as borrowing all parts of your body. He only loaned His eyes and ears; the hands, wisdom, children, money and every other thing are but His own, and you, as a contractor, are given the tools to execute the contract.

If you patiently and meekly execute your contract, without doing the work for your own aggrandizement, without stealing or reserving one for yourself, when He comes He will catapult you to the highest position, which you had never thought of occupying. In order to benefit from it, you should not regard anything you have gathered as your own, but that all belong to God; and, whatever you distribute are not distributed by you, but that God has graciously and kindly given them to His children. You will be quite free. You will not quarrel with any person. You will not bother yourself struggling for wealth but will realize that nothing belongs to you, that God owns everything; and you will continue to practice as you do, for God. That is why, I continue to tell you, Brotherhood is not yet understood by many, because I see you people struggling for one thing or the other.

Every person tries to grab as much as he can; and conserve for himself, as his bona fide property. That is why thieves are so attracted they break in to steal. Some become rotten, some are lost, and others are thrown away.

WHAT YOU HAVE IS NOT MEANT FOR YOUR FAMILY ALONE

When you are given money, you take it to your family. When you are given a car, you keep it for your use alone. When you are given land, you keep it as your bona fide property. You are given food, and you keep it for yourself alone. When you behave in the ways enumerated, you will appreciate, your eyes are not yet opened. This Gospel does not refer to your family. If your family is bestowed with wealth, they have enough to eat and to spare. They also owe a debt to give some of what they have to those, who are not as fortunate, as they are. If your village is very rich, every person owning property should give the extra they have to others. You are told to give to him, who has none. It is a very pitiful situation to find people, who already are rich, who go to beg. Upon all that you have and the money in your pocket; have you already exhausted these? When you go to collect property from several people, are you not content with what you have? You are working for wretchedness to yourself.

You build a house and give it out for rent. But you go, to put up with another person, in a small congested and inconvenient apartment, and always complain to people you have no quarters. Note, your house, can be demolished. You have food, but you hide it; and when another person brings food, you eat with him, complaining that you have no food. Note also that, the food that you preserve for yourself will be stolen. The greatest mistake people make in Brotherhood is: "as the Father likes it." I tell you, you are doing a great harm to yourself, because before you realize what is happening, your cars have all gone, and your houses taken away from you, and you suffer in addition.

IT IS INCUMBENT UPON EVERY PERSON TO DISTRIBUTE

If you are a preacher, but you have money, houses and other things, why do you also collect money from people? You should rather distribute your resources to other preachers, who have nothing. It is not for you to receive pay from others, since you are actually rendering the services to God. At the time you came into Brotherhood, as a poor person, you were given food and clothing. But after you had been healed of your ailment, and you began to own certain things, why do you still want to go begging for food and clothing? Why do you keep these things to yourself alone? Whosoever has one or two properties, but is looking for more, is a thief.

IN BROTHERHOOD ALL ARE EQUAL

I give this Gospel that it may be circulated to all parts of the world, because what brings about trouble, problems, death, sickness, poverty and tribulation is this Gospel. Have you not seen what God has done in this fold? He does not discriminate between the various classes of people. Every person is regarded as equal, and the same treatment is given to every person. But people have taken undue advantage, and have closed the avenues of assistance. In Brotherhood every person is the same. But this does not imply that every person has the same amount of money, or that every person has the same amount of education. But it is that those who have should help those who have none; and that everything should be used in common, so, there may be equality, and so, there may be no difference between the rich and the poor.

I know, this lesson has been revealed to many by God, and they are practicing it, while others do not make any attempt, but regard those who comply as foolish persons. They walk about, telling people that they are in lack, thinking that they are deceiving God. Do not forget what happened to Judas Iscariot. The same thing can happen to them. Notice that Our Lord Jesus Christ started this Faith and this Work, i.e. the establishment of one common purse. Therefore, wherever the Children of God are found, there should also be established one common purse, the proceeds of which should be distributed to all, that there may be equality. That is The Kingdom of God; and it is, what I have brought, to the world.

You are urged to remember the orphans. When Paul and Barnabas met with Peter and the other Apostles, they told them to remember the orphans. Right from today you have to remember the orphans. Think about them, and assist them. Poverty is the worst sickness prayer cannot take it away. Always help those less fortunate than yourself. Brethren, I do not intend to be tedious unto you. One stroke of the cane is sufficient for the wise. Those who have ears let them hear; and may God Bless His Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER.

THE FOURTH STEP TO GOD

WHOSOEVER DOES THE WILL OF GOD IS A CHILD OF GOD

1st BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 12:50

For whosoever shall do the will of my Father, which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

GOLDEN TEXT: ACTS 4:32-33

And the multitude of them that believed were, of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things, which he possessed, was his own; but they had all things common. And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

THE AIM OF BROTHERHOOD

Brethren that is what we are going to reveal to you today, "What is Brotherhood of the Cross and Star?" This is what has been read out to you. The theme of this gospel is the aim of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Whosoever does what God likes, irrespective of his tribe and nationality, is the Son of God. In this new kingdom of God, we do not know a person because of blood relationship but one is known by God if you do what he likes. You will discover that people have strayed from the wisdom of God.

We are told to have love, peace, mercy, kindness, temperance, self-control, endurance, patience, meekness, humility, tolerance and forgiveness. These virtues will unite us into oneness and give us the right to enter into this new Kingdom. The children of this new kingdom are the children of promise. Who are the children of promise? They are those who only do the will of God.

I have earlier told you that money food, tribe, nationality, or book knowledge does not give you the right to enter into this new kingdom of God. What gives you the right to enter into this new Kingdom is to hear and practice all the words of God that you have received. Whether you are black or white, male or female has nothing to do with this new Kingdom. Our Lord Jesus Christ died and resurrected and lives because of this gospel. You know that we have some booklets entitled the First step to God, Second step to God, Third step to God and this gospel will be the Fourth step to God. Our Lord Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life. Originally human beings were one. They ate together and did everything in common. Now the situation has changed. There is a division between a wife and her husband, brothers and sisters, father and children and nations and nations. This situation has brought hardship, afflictions, poverty and death into the world. Unless we practice the Gospels we receive daily, there can be no peace in the world. That is why our Lord Jesus Christ says, "I am the way, the truth and the life, no one can come to the father, except by me." If we do not

practice the gospel, we can never be united. When you say our Lord Jesus Christ is a good friend of sinners, but I say that unless you practice the teachings of Christ, he cannot be your friend. You say that our Lord Jesus Christ is your brother, but I say that he cannot be your brother if you do not practice his teachings.

You say that our Lord Jesus Christ is your God, he cannot be God to those who do not abide by his teachings it is an easy thing for us to listen to his teachings and put them into practice. There is a lot to gain, if we practice the words of God, which we receive. Remember the woman who said to our Lord Jesus Christ, "Blessed is the womb that bore thee and the pap that gave thee suck," what answer did our Lord Jesus Christ give to her? He said it is more blessed for the man who hears the word of God and puts it into practice. Therefore all blessings glory and peace, hang on practicing the word of God, sometimes you imagine yourself as the son of Joseph or that you were born in Bethlehem like our Lord Jesus Christ but "I tell you that even if you are the father to our Lord Jesus Christ, or that you were born in Bethlehem like our Lord Jesus Christ himself, if you do not practice the word of God, it profits you nothing. Our Lord Jesus Christ died so that all those who practice the word of God may become united. He did not die for those who will not practice his words. He does not also live unto those who do not practice his words. Our Lord Jesus Christ died and resurrected for those who will hear his words and put them into practice.

THOSE VERSED IN THE WORD OF GOD ARE BUILDINGS SET ON ROCK

Our Lord Jesus Christ liked those who hear his words and practice them to a house built on a rock. When the storm comes, it cannot be shaken. When the flood comes, it cannot be swept away.

THE WORD OF GOD UNIFIES ALL RACES OF PEOPLE

Let us be those who hear the words of God and put them into practice. We should not come into this kingdom because of visions food and drink, clothes and other mundane things. Come into this kingdom with the aim of hearing the word of God and putting it into practice. That is why our Lord Jesus Christ said that anyone who does not drink my blood and eat my flesh has not eternal life in him. A wife and the husband cannot be one if they do not practice the words of God, child and the father cannot be one, if they do not practice the word of God. We find division and segregation where the word of God is lacking. The government cannot make the people in the whole world to become united. There is no other teaching apart from the word of God that can unite the whole world. The worldly doctrine causes division among different races in the world. If people practice the word of God, the entire human race will become one.

The Gospel that we receive from 1st January to 31st December, every year is that all those who receive these Gospels and practice them may become united. You will discover that

neither the black race nor the white race practices the word of God. Had they practice the word of God; there would have been no division in the world. If we were to practice the word of God barren women would not have sought for children and those who have only female children would not have sought for male children and vice versa. It is not the brother or sister born from the same womb who is your brother or sister, neither the children from your womb who are your children. The whole world had failed because she feels that the children born out of their own womb are there real children. If you regard your carnal father as your real father, you fail. When you feel that you should assist your town's man so that you may be remembered, you also fail. The whole world has failed because she claims to be looking for their relations, sons, fathers and their town's people.

This kingdom does not belong to the children of the flesh. No worldly person has a share in this new kingdom. This kingdom was given to Abraham because of his faith that worked in love. Abraham is not a friend of God because he claimed equality with God he became a friend of God because he did what God liked.

ONLY THOSE WHO PRACTICE THE WORD OF GOD ARE BROTHERS

If you study the Bible you will discover that Abraham was not among those who came from heaven. Why is Abraham now called the father of Nations? Why is it that every person is now the child of Abraham? It is because he did what God liked. That is why our Lord Jesus Christ says "Whoever rejects me and my words, I will not condemn him, but these words will judge him on the last day. If you practice the word of God and your child does not practice it both of you are not one. If the husband practices the word of God, and the wife does not, both of them are not one. If you practice the word of God and your friend does not, there will be a great difference between you. That is why you may address someone as your brother and he will reply that he is not your brother.

Remember when our Lord Jesus Christ told the disciples that "If you do what I tell you, I will not call you servants but friends." because a servant does not know what his master does. You and your friend confined in one another and dress in the same way and this shows equality. We have so many things to learn in brotherhood. It appears we have not yet started. If you are not a thief why then do you call somebody who is a thief, brother? When you do this, you are also a thief. "How can you call somebody who is a fornicator, sister?" When you are not a fornicator. The term brother or sister means maintaining a state of equality with a person who does not commit sin. When you say that a person is your sister, it means that she does not fornicate, neither do you that is the reason why the white race does not trust the blacks. The black race, does not know the meaning of friends neither do they know what is called, brother.

The black race does not understand what man is. For example you may meet a person in the Bible class today and tomorrow when you see him on the street, you call him or her a

brother or sister, "do you know whether he or she is a rogue or a thief?" If you ask a white man to identify a person, he will tell you exactly the time and date that he met that person, and what the person is.

IF YOU DO NOT PRACTICE THE WORD OF GOD YOU ARE NOT HIS CHILD

This statement is true but a black man will claim that he knows such a person very well. Does he know whether the man is a thief? When you make such statements, you implicate yourself. That is why the Bible says "But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard or an extortion with such an one do not eat." How is it that you do not drink or make concoctions and charms, do not lie, or become easily annoyed but then you go to associate with a person who indulges in all these vices? Why do you keep company with such a person? "How can such a person be your brother, does it mean that you are like him? This is what brings troubles and problems into the world. As soon as you seen someone you take him as your brother or sister. From this you will realize that the wisdom of our Lord Jesus Christ is above all the wisdom in the world. Our Lord Jesus Christ knows what man is therefore no human being can deceive him. Remember when he was addressing his disciples somebody came and told him that his mother and sisters were outside waiting for him. He asked the fellow "Who is my mother and who are my brothers and sisters?"

Anyone who does the will of my father who is in heaven is my brother and sister. This indicates that we do not know our position in brotherhood and where we are going. If your child is a thief and you are not, you still call that child your own. Why is it that some people are called Satan and others are called the children of God? Why is it that God addressed only our Lord Jesus Christ as "my beloved son" and no other person in this world? The Scriptures says that the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayers. But his back is turned to the evildoers. You will discover that when you sin, you are not a child of God and God does not regard you as his son. Do not allow anybody to deceive you that an evildoer is the child of God. All those who hear the word of God and practice them are the children of God. So it is in this new Kingdom. All those who hear the words of God and practice them are the true sons of this kingdom. Brethren, we should forget about our pride and pomposity that Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is revealed in Africa. Rather we should thank God if he gives us the ability to hear the word of God and put it into practice.

A TREE IS KNOWN BY ITS FRUITS

Today, what did our Lord Jesus Christ say? He said, "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and endeavor to put them into practice. Not all those who call me Lord! Lord! Will enter into the kingdom of God, but those who do the will of my father which is in heaven." Therefore if it is only one or two who practice the words of God, they are better than

50,000 people who do not practice the word of God. Now nobody is known by his color, tribe, nationality, or beauty but you are known if you practice the word of God.

Brethren, it is not my wish to be tedious with you, let our first lesson be read.

1st LESSON ST. MATTHEW 12:50

For whosoever shall do the will of my Father, which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

IF YOU DESIRE TO LIVE KEEP THE WORDS OF GOD

I want to have this gospel by tomorrow, although it is not long, it is the key to this kingdom. Why the father teaches us to refrain from fornication, anger, hatred and other vices, is that we may be qualified to be called brothers and sisters. No matter how wealthy you may be, if you do not do what is pleasing to our Lord Jesus Christ you are not his brother. If you have so much faith that you can raise the dead, open the eyes of the blind, make the lame to walk and perform all other miracles, if you do not do what God likes, you are not a brother. On the day of reckoning, many people will say, Lord did I not cast out demons in thy name, raise the dead, and open the eyes of the blind." And the Lord will say unto them depart from me, I do not know you, ye workers of iniquity." Any person who is friendly with a sinner is a sinful person also. This knowledge is the key to this kingdom. You should examine yourselves if you do not practice the word of God you are not a brother or a sister in this kingdom.

If you want to be a real brother, sister or mother in this new kingdom practice this word of God, do not steal, lie, kill, but love your neighbor as yourself. Forget about your name in this kingdom, whether Pastor, Deaconess, Christ servant, Christ student, Apostle, Elders, Choristers, the Pope and the Archbishops. all these names are irrelevant, only those who practice the word of God, are the real brotherhood. In a short time, this gospel will come to manifest. People want to know which person is loved most in brotherhood, by the Holy Father and mother; it is the person who practices the word of God. God does not love any person apart from those who practice his gospel be they black or white. If only two or three persons practice the word of God, if they are put together there would be no segregation, fighting and quarreling. To establish the new kingdom of God here on earth does not consist in building big cathedrals, but it is only those who practice the word of God who build up this kingdom. We have problems in as much as we do not practice the word of God, because there would be hated, stealing from one another and killing one another and so confusion would prevail.

IF YOU LOVE ME DO MY WORDS

Why did our Lord Jesus Christ handover the sheep of God into the hands of Peter? Peter and our Lord Jesus Christ would were not from the same family or tribe. The Christ handed over the sheep of God into his hands even though his own carnal brothers and sisters were alive. The reason is that Peter loved him and practice the word of God. Christ asked Simon

Peter "Do you love me more than any other thing in the world" Peter answered "Lord, thou knowest that I love you more than anything in the world." The Christ said, "Feed my sheep." While he was on the cross why did our Lord Jesus Christ not hand over his mother to James, John or any of the others? The reason was that our Lord Jesus Christ was practicing this gospel. He surrendered his mother to John who did not come from his tribe because John practiced the word of God.

Now what is happening in the world is that no matter how sinful your blood relation is you would surrender all your property to that person. Which means that you are laying your foundation on sand. Perhaps your son is a thief and does not believe in God but there is another child who is honest, devoted and faithful to God but does not come from your family, you will not like to draw such a child to yourself, but attach importance to your son who is a rogue. Your mother is a witch and a confusionist, there is also another woman who fears and reverence God but is not your mother, but you will attach importance to your carnal mother and ignore the woman who fears God, in so doing you are an abominable person. Our problem is that we do not practice the word of God but soon we shall see the whites coming here and remaining together, because they practice the word of God.

Why there is no progress among the blacks is because they entrust all their valuable possessions into the hands of those who do not believe in God. The Europeans are blessed by God because whenever they find an organization where the truth is found, they will invest all their wealth there. Even though the people founded such an organization are not their relations, they will put all their resources there and regard that place as their own family. Europeans have endeavored to practice the word of God but their problem is that they do not have the Holy Spirit. Now that the Holy Spirit is on earth, they will also have a share in the Holy Spirit.

YOUR NATIONALITY IS IRRELEVANT IN THE KINGDOM

For one to claim that he does not come from Biakpan, Cross River State, or that he is not the Son of Obu is irrelevant. Our duty is to unite together with God. God is no respecter of persons. Whether you come from Biakpan or not or you are Obu's Son, or from the Cross River State, Nigeria or Africa, if you do not practice the word of God you will not enter this kingdom. Let someone come from Russia, India, America or any part of the world, but puts into practice the doctrines of the Holy Father, he is a real brotherhood. This gospel is very important and it is the foundation stone of this kingdom. Any person, who desires to be a real brotherhood, should be given this gospel. If he jokes with it, it means that he has only come in here to play.

THE CHILDREN OF GOD PRACTICE THE WORD OF GOD

Your claim to be the first son of Obu or to be his child, or his mother or to know him, to have been in Brotherhood 20 years, is useless unless you practice the word of God, all these claims are irrelevant and will not profit you anything. To claim to be a visioner or to have

opened 20 stations, or to have conducted open-air service but in as much as you do not do what God likes, you are nothing in this kingdom. Nothing unites you with God apart from practicing his words. That is why our Lord Jesus Christ says, "He that is sent by God speaks the word of God and God does not give him the Spirit by measure. The children of God hear the word of God and practice the word of God. You do not hear the word of God or do not practice the word of God because you are not a child of God. The children of God understand the word of God, while the children of the world do not understand the word of God.

If you practice one word of God, your eyes will be opened and you will not be able to associate with or trust those who do not practice the word of God. To keep company with a person who does not practice the word of God is like someone putting his precious gems before the swine. The reason why communities, companies, firms, corporations, governments and churches fail is that they behave according to the directives of the flesh. The Scripture says that you should sell all that you have and give them out to the poor, then come and follow God. When you sell all your possessions to a person who does not believe in God, such an action is useless and both the giver and the recipient will perish. The word of God says flee youthful lust and follow after those who call upon the name of the Lord with a pure heart. When you run away from sin and then go and meet someone who is in sin, it means that you have jumped out of the frying pan into the fire. "I had preserved this gospel. I do not know why I have released it to you today. When you look into the memorandum you find it there." Anyone who does not practice this particular gospel will never enter into this kingdom.

Whatever sin a person remains in brotherhood to commit does not interest me, because I know that such a person will never enter into this new kingdom of God. Any person who comes into the brotherhood and completely surrenders himself to the will of God, such a person is on the right path of righteousness and the gateman will open the gate for him. Do you believe that the real children of this new Kingdom are so many in the overseas countries and they are coming? Our golden text will now be read.

GOLDEN TEXT: ACTS 4:32-33

And the multitude of them that believed were, of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things, which he possessed, was his own; but they had all things common. And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

WHOSOEVER DOSE NOT PRACTICE THE WORD OF GOD IS A REBEL

Many of our brethren who practice righteousness and later on commit sins are harming themselves, because God has nothing to do with a sinner. Anyone who does not practice the word of God is a rebel and a wanted person. Since God created human beings no one can be compared to our Lord Jesus Christ. Of all the prophets and patriarchs, it is only our Lord Jesus Christ that God said, "This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased, hear ye him" Since he did the will of God, God raised his name above any other name in the whole

world. God uses his own words to beget us. Any person who hears and practices the word of God is a true child of God.

There is nothing on earth that qualifies you as a true child of God apart from your ability to practice the word of God. "And all those who believed were together and have all things in common and sold their possessions and goods and parted them to all men. There was no division, quarreling, stealing or any confusion among them. They ate their food in joy and gladness's. To entrust your possessions into the hands of an unbeliever is likened to one entrusting his goats under the case of a tiger. The following day all the goats would have been devoured by the tiger. The wife and the husband will profess to practice common purse while the husband is a flirt and a gambler, there will never be any prosperity in such a family because the husband will always misuse the money.

Before a white man can give a loan of \$20 to someone he will, first of all, want to know how much the person earns. If the man earns \$20 a month, a white man can never give him a loan of five dollars. The reason why the white man will not give him this loan is that the man is a civil servant and will not be able to save anything after his monthly expenditure in order to defray his debt. In the case of a black man, he will give you a loan of a \$100 even though you only earn \$30 a month. Such a loan can never be repaid, when the lender goes to demand back his loan, the recipient of the loan will tell him that he only earns \$30 a month and therefore, cannot afford to repay such a loan. In such a situation who is to be blamed?

THERE MUST BE EQUALITY

The situation is exactly the same as when we call a very wicked person a brother. If you give your money to a thief to keep for you and that thief goes to steal and a search is conducted in his house do you think that your money will be refunded to you? This period in brotherhood is not the time for falsehood. If you are in partnership with someone who has the same spirit as yourself, there will be no cheating or deceit. It is not an easy thing for two people to agree in principle. What brotherhood has come to do is to collect everybody and all their possessions together so that there may be one mind and one spirit. If there are two or three persons who have the same mind and one spirit and they practice one common purse there would be prosperity and growth in their midst. Our Lord Jesus Christ said that all those who enter into the house through the window are thieves and robbers. Any person who passes through the gate into the house, to such a person the gate man will open the gate for him and he will lead the sheep and they will follow him.

We can deceive human beings, but we cannot deceive God, he knows the mind of all the people in the world because he is their Creator. No matter how cunning and crafty we are, God knows all and this behavior will not profit us anything. At the time of Cain and Abel, God directed that they should make sacrifices to him. Able offered an acceptable sacrifice unto God while Cain only deceived himself. The sacrifice of Able, which was acceptable to God was counted for him as righteousness and was used in saving him. We in brotherhood are

receiving blessings from God in the form of material benefits, but we later on go and share those blessings with unbelievers as a result, we become poor because we have given the blessings of God to Satan. If we were to have one mind and one spirit, there would be no cunningness, craftiness, and deceit. Once we regard ourselves as brothers and sisters we would not exercise fear in relation to one another. Now when we embark on business, our business decline because it is not managed by honest and sincere relatives.

In the event of your death, your inheritance will pass into the hands of your enemies. In this situation, there is no security for your possessions. Therefore brethren, this is the appointed time for God to be glorified and if we do not practice this gospel, God cannot be glorified. In the case of Ananias, who had a double mind, when he sold all his possessions he divided them into two and kept one part and gave the remainder to the Apostle. When Peter asked him whether that was the total sum of money realized from the sale of his land, Ananias replied, "Yes", Peter replied and asked him why has Satan deceived you into lying to the Holy Spirit? After this statement, Ananias fell down and died.

PARTNERSHIP IN EQUAL TERMS

If there is love amongst the brethren, they can enter into partnership one may contribute \$1000. These contributions belong to the two partners together. In the event of wanting to purchase something to the value of \$4000 both partners stand to gain from their partnership because the one who had 1000 could not have bought the goods, nor the other who had 3000 but as they have combined their resources. The commodity can be bought and sold for \$10,000. No one tree can stand by itself and form a forest. All the punishment, suffering, and tribulation, that is facing the world is the refusal to practice the word of God. The foundation that our Lord Jesus Christ laid is this oneness and one mind.

Brethren, I am not going to take you further than this because it is said that a stroke of the Cain is sufficient unto a wise man. Let all those who have ears to hear, hear, May God bless his holy words. Amen!

THANK YOU FATHER.

WHOSOEVER COMMITTETH SIN IS THE SERVANT OF SIN.

Golden Text: John 8:34

Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.

Anybody who commits sin is bound to suffer. Even the least bit of sin is bound to bring untold punishment and death, to any person who commits it. Do you then see why, we have no peace, in our lives? You should not allow anybody to tempt you to fall. This is the reason why, you should not find fault with anybody. There is no portion in the scriptures, which says, you have the right to judge others or revenge. God is the maker of everything, and we should leave everything to Him to do for us.

But when we sin, we are the cause of all our troubles, because God Himself does not commit sin, and is therefore not responsible for anything we may suffer in consequence of sin. The punishment we get by committing sin is from the sin not from God. All bad things, bad dreams, quarrelling and discomfort come from sin. That is why, it is said: the wages of sin is death. At the time Adam and Eve did not commit sin in the Garden of Eden, they never lacked anything. They were never ill. They neither quarreled, nor fought, nor did they suffer any disgrace. In fact, they were not worried in any way.

But from the day they committed sin, evil followed them, in everything, and in every way. When we have known this, why are our hearts hardened, our eyes closed, and we still remain in sin? Why do we allow our hands to touch or do evil? If anybody commits sin, all his words, eyes, ears and anything within and about him, are turned evil? All disgrace, tears and torments reach him because of sin. Bad thoughts come from sin. What is worst, about committing any sin at all is the fact; one sin giveth birth to another. When we steal we are punished; but it does not end there. We may wonder why, we who have not been stealing, are doing so now. Have we forgotten, the knock we gave that little child on the head, which is sinful enough to urge us on to commit another sin: stealing? This is a very strong reason why, we should run away from every bit of sin.

EVERY SINNER IS DEAD

No sinner knows God. Those who know God, never commit any sin. If you like, give them millions of naira to induce them to commit sin; you will never get them to do so. They rather choose to die than to commit any bit of sin. Why? Because they know, to sin is to die. I have told you, if a man is careful enough to avoid all manner of sin, he will not die forever. He will not suffer from any disgrace or illness. But when you feel the slightest pain, trace the cause, it will lead to sin. Any stain of sin, on the soul, is like a black spot, on a pure white: it

cannot be hidden. Likewise, if you commit the slightest sin, you need not inform God, because He knows it all; and you will be disciplined, unfailingly.

Therefore, if any person says, he will commit sin, because God is merciful, and will forgive him; he is making a great mistake. Such a person does not know God. He is a slave to sin, and until he denounces sin, he will not be free to do any good thing, even to be able to ask God for forgiveness.

THE SINLESS WILL NOT SUFFER DEATH

Sin is the cause of death. Adam and Eve died, because they committed sin. Christ is living today, because He did not commit sin. If you do not commit sin, you will not die. A person, who commits no sin, does not know any juju, witchcraft, mermaid, or hatred; he does not want suffering, or death. But if you do anything God forbids in His Holy Scriptures, you will die, because you have committed the sin of disobedience, which Adam and Eve committed, and died.

From the day you commit sin, you have become a slave to sin, and sin will begin to rule you. Let us all, who do not want to be slaves to sin, refrain from it. Even if you are to be starved for a hundred years, suffer it, instead of being persuaded, to commit sin, and eat sumptuously every day. Even if you are promised the whole world, if you would sin, remember Satan made the same promise to Christ in the desert, but He refused all; because all these would lead Him to death and make Him lose eternal life. Shun the devil, the world, and all that is in it.

OUR FOREFATHERS PERISHED IN IGNORANCE

If our forefathers in ignorance did commit sin and perished, should we who claim to be wise today, also commit the same sin, and perish like them. And if we willfully commit sin, what excuse will bring us out, of the consequences of it. We are taught to avoid sin. This is the best measure against death. Those of us, who are wise, know prevention is better than cure; and the way to prevent death, is by refraining from sin. Where then lies the wisdom, of those who say, they will commit sin and afterwards come back, to ask God for forgiveness? Once a sin is committed, the consequences will be disastrous and death often follows.

ILLUSTRATION

Once there lived a certain king, with his queen, and three courtiers, who were eligible to act for the king, should he be absent, and to succeed him, should he be dead. These courtiers lusted after the person of the queen, and were jealous. Each of them wanted very much, to have an affair with her, but because they discovered how faithful the queen was to her king, they feared; they had failed, in their individual attempt of eliciting love from her.

All three of them plotted to rape her or cause her death, should she resist or disgrace them by refusing their approach. Their jealousy against the queen raged so fiercely, they started to call her names, and to say the queen was disrespectful, looking down on every person.

Being courtiers, they were much trusted, loved by the people and allowed unlimited access to the court. They used this advantage, to secure themselves a hiding place in the court, from where they could pounce on the queen

THE PLOT

The queen was returning from bathing alone. Half way to the bathroom, her escort of maids had stopped to wait for her, to go and come back to join them. But before they could see their queen again, the three courtiers had jumped from their hiding, to grip her. Then they demanded a love affair: "You know, we are courtiers, much honored in this kingdom, and that we have equal power, with the king your husband, so, whatever we say must be done, and whosoever refuses to do what we want, we have power to condemn to death?" "Yes, of course," she replied. "And now, we want you to love three of us, as you love the king, and to allow us, to have the same right, on your person, as the king; if you refuse, you will be killed."

The queen was maddened by what to her sounded the most treasonable thing ever spoken by man. Boldly she told them, by having the thought to approach her, with such ignoble questions they had already committed a great crime: a moral sin, and for opening their mouths, to utter such dirty words, they were already dead. As for herself, should she ever think in her heart of having an affair with anyone of them, she should die; and for her to agree, to do so, when they demanded it, she should die. God forbid, she should not do any such thing. The three courtiers were greatly disappointed and disgraced. They wanted revenge. So, they raised an alarm, and summoned the whole court and the whole kingdom to the palace. There they explained to the people, how they had caught the queen, having an affair with another man, and when they came up to catch them, the man escaped. This was noised throughout the land, and everybody knew the penalty for such a crime was death, and that the queen, was soon, to die.

Many blamed her for such an act, which from the evidence of the courtiers; the people believed she had committed, and were very sorry, she was to die such a disgraceful death. But the three friends who plotted it were very happy. Yet the queen was not in any way ruffled. Her heart did not condemn her, because she had committed no offense. According to the law of the land, there was nothing remaining to prevent her execution. The courtiers were trusted to say the truth in the evidence, which they gave against the queen, and no other evidence was needed to disprove what they had said. Whatever the queen had to say to defend herself was not to be listened to.

THE EXECUTION

The execution of the queen was fixed at eight o'clock the next morning. So, the people dispersed with the awful impression of what had happened. In the night one of the prominent young men had a dream of the true nature of the case, for the queen.

The next morning when all assembled to watch her execution, the young man cried out, he would not bear to see an innocent person executed before his eyes, and that he had the other side of the "queen-caught-with-man" story to tell them. He was granted audience. He called the nobles privately and asked them to separate the three courtiers, and then cross-examined them, one by one, to know their individual versions of how they caught the queen, with a man. The three of them were kept at distances that made it impossible for them to see or hear one another. When they were called in and cross-examined one of them said, "I caught the queen having an affair with a man, under the mango tree, and when we came running to catch them the man escaped. He was taken aside still far away.

The second courtier who was called in said, he saw the queen and the man, under the pear tree; the third courtier said, he saw them, under the coconut tree." There was no collaboration in the evidence given by the three friends, and this proved, they conspired to kill the queen. They were guilty of high treason, and were condemned to die on the gallows. Before the death sentence pronounced on them, the Queen was called to say how everything happened. She told them a very pathetic story of how these courtiers had sought to have an affair with her, and when she refused they turned to say they had caught her with a man.

THINGS CHANGED

Everything, the courtiers said, was false. Things changed automatically. The queen was set free, while the three courtiers were hanged by the same rope, which was earlier prepared for the queen.

Golden Text: John 8:34

Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.

In the above illustration, the queen, who committed no sin, could not in any way be brought under punishment of sin. But the courtiers as sinners were serving sin from the day they started to worry themselves, planning how to get the queen into their lustful trap. They told lies, and suffered shame, and finally died for their sins. Therefore, let us run away from sin, even the least type. In thought, word or deed we should not sin at all. For disgrace, tribulation, and death await all sinners. Women ought not to suffer any pain, in delivering children. Men ought not to suffer, for their daily bread, but today the sufferings are due to, our own sins. If we commit no sin, we shall experience no difficulty in anything. So let us run

away from sin, so that sin will run away from us, and we shall be free, and never again serve under its bondage, forever and ever. Those who have ears to hear let them hear, may The Lord bless the preaching of His Holy Word. Amen!

THANK YOU FATHER

THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH.

Golden Text: Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We have already started, and will continue to explain to you, what harm sin has done to this world. If our forbearers long ago, and the philosophers of today, had known earlier, sin is the cause of all the troubles in this world, death would have ceased entirely by now. For sin is the cause of all our tribulations and death. The increasing death toll today is alarming, and has set everybody thinking as to how to stop it. And here in our lesson today we have been shown the cause of death, which should be removed, if death must stop. We must therefore refrain from sin, for sin is the cause of death.

THE PROFIT

The only reward or profit, we derive from sin is death. Why then do the people of the world cling to sin, or does it then mean, the world does not want life? If we quarrel, backbite, steal, hate or fornicate, cause division, fight or curse, we must die. Why then should those who desire life, do any of these things? We all have noted how our bodies and feelings react to sin. Once you backbite somebody, your whole person is thrown, into a state of confusion. In our conscience, we are no more free and happy, as we used to be, in the company of the person, we backbite. All the sting and illness, we may suffer, are only minor consequences, death is the final wage, we are paid for the sins, we commit. It is the sum set aside for a sinner, to earn, as pension. When a sinner dies, God has no hand in his death, for he has been paid his pension, by sin. God is eternal life; sin is death.

SUFFERINGS

Sinners suffer terrible things, in the course of sinning. For instance, a thief cannot tell how often, he has been attacked, stoned and buffeted; or has escaped from death, and his ordeals, under rain and sun. If we consider these things, we need not be told, to run away, from sin. Apart from sin, there is no person or angel, who has the right, to destroy the life of any person. If anybody dies, and if you investigate the cause, you will discover it is sin. If you see anybody, who has eternal life, it is given him, by God.

WHY WONDER

People wonder why, this or that prominent person should die. I ask: "Has he not committed sin, and thus deserve to die?" We keep on explaining this thing to you, because some think, God is responsible for illness and death. Some say, death has power. No, it is sin not death that has power. God knows sin has power to punish sinners, with death.

He does not obstruct anybody, who after being told to refrain from sin, still continues in it. He knows every sinner will earn death as his reward.

ILLUSTRATION

Once there was a synod, attended only by very high dignitaries, from the rank of a bishop and above, from all over the land; the number of them being above two thousand. At the end of their deliberations, one of the bishops was to serve up Holy Communion. He prepared and brought it out, but when he was going to start serving, thunder struck. The table was overturned, the bread scattered, and the wine was spilled all over the floor. The bishop himself was killed. All these things happened, because the bishop, who died, had secretly poisoned the food, when he was preparing it. His plan to kill all the bishops present, at the synod, was a direct attack on God Himself. He had committed a grievous sin, and the wages he received was his own death.

CONFESSION

Before he died, he confessed the many acts of cruelty, he used to commit, and expressly told the people, the death he would suffer was what wages, he deservedly earned, for all the atrocities, he was committing, in his life. This story also illustrates, Satan is not afraid of God, and does not scruple to tempt the Children of God, in the house of God, disguising himself as an angel of God, but whatever form the sinner may take, his end is death.

Golden Text: Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

So brethren, let us refrain from sin, if we desire to have eternal life, as the gift of God, and gain victory over death, now and forever more. Those who have ears to hear let them hear. May God Bless His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

BAPTISM: CRITERION FOR SALVATION

First Bible Lesson: Mark 16:16

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Second Bible Lesson: Acts 2:38-39

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in The Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of The Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Golden Text: John 3:5

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.

FIRST AND SECOND BAPTISM

Brethren, the texts above have summarized this sermon. You have been reading these portions for years, yet you could not understand what they meant. This sermon is meant to reveal to you that **those who practice the injunctions of God must be saved**. It is also meant to reveal those who are qualified for The Kingdom of God.

There are two major things needed in The Kingdom. The first is to repent and refrain from all manner of sins, and the second is baptism by immersion in water. This will qualify you for forgiveness and remission of your sins by God. **We have two types of baptism in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star; via, Baptism for forgiveness of sins, and that of The Holy Spirit**. If you undertake one and fail to take the other, it avails you nothing. If you had committed any sin, no matter how grievous that sin was, once you are baptized into Brotherhood, you are washed clean. Since you have repented and refrained from your sins, our Lord Jesus Christ and The Father will forgive all your sins. That is the first baptism. The second baptism is that of The Holy Spirit. If God bestows you with the gift of The Holy Spirit, your heart will be pure. Consequently, there will be no judgment against you anymore. You will be completely free from all problems.

If you are bestowed with the gift of The Holy Spirit, yet your sins are not forgiven due to the fact that you are not baptized, you are not saved. If you have received the baptism of The Holy Spirit but do not accept that of immersion in water, there is no salvation for you. On the other hand, if you receive baptism of immersion in water but do not receive that of The Holy Spirit, you are not saved.

Though you may have received several baptisms from all corners of the world, if you fail to receive that of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, your sins will not be remitted.

It indicates that you are not saved. This is because this baptism is preceded by repentance. This is the judgment.

Whoever knows that he/she is a sinner, such a person has to go to Christ by repenting and refraining from those sins and then, get baptized. Apart from this, there is no salvation for him or her. Salvation eludes so many people who refuse to be baptized into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star having been baptized in their previous denominations. They do not know that any baptism without a proper confession of sins is no baptism. Let it be known that whoever baptizes with all his sin with him is not a baptized member of any church; and in such a case, he cannot be saved.

However, if after receiving the aforementioned you still believe in and continue to prepare diabolical substances, go on marrying so many wives and in fact, indulge in any sin, it means that what you had received was not the baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Lord Jesus Christ said that whosoever, "believeth and is baptized is saved". He, however, did not add that, after the baptism whoever goes back to his sinful ways shall be saved. If you realize that you are a sinner and repent of your sins and accept this baptism, it means you have died and resurrected with our Lord Jesus Christ. Through this way, all your sins are forgiven. These two types of baptism are necessary because through them, the true children of God which are scattered all over the world can easily be identified.

It should be noted that not all the inhabitants of the world are bestowed with the gift of The Holy Spirit. The Second Lesson reveals that you should repent and be baptized so that you may receive The Holy Spirit. This promise is for you, your children and your great grandchildren. All those who do not possess the gift of The Holy Spirit, are not His true children. Though you may be baptized (by immersion in water) and your sins forgiven, if you do not receive the gift of The Holy Spirit, it means you are not His true follower. This is why you cannot sing, preach or heal. This indicates that The Father has not elected you for His glory. Do not blame any person who has received baptism, but, does not receive The Holy Spirit, for he has not yet been chosen. Such a person can neither surrender himself to God nor believe that God is the one doing the work in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Whenever such people receive the gift of The Holy Spirit, they will believe fervently.

That is why we have these two types of baptisms. You can now understand why the Golden Text emphasizes on the point that one must be born of water and spirit otherwise he cannot enter into The Kingdom of God. If your sins are not forgiven, and you have not received The Holy Spirit, then you are not worthy of this Kingdom. If you leave any sin unconfessed, you cannot receive The Holy Spirit. Do not forget that the confession, baptism and reception of The Holy Spirit constitute the first death and resurrection. **Revelation 2:11 states that. He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.** Therefore, it is mandatory that you confess all your sins before baptism.

If you did not die with our Lord Jesus Christ, you will not resurrect with Him. On the other hand, all those who participated in the first death shall not "taste" of the second death.

THE ESSENCE OF CONFESSION OF SIN

Whosoever does not believe in the truth cannot be saved. Believing connotes refraining from former vices and involvements in vices. When this is done you are free. Also, once you receive the two baptisms as practiced in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, you live a problem free life, because you are one with The Father. In fact, you will become a new person in our Lord Jesus Christ.

A lot of people who claim to be churchgoers are still plagued with various illnesses. The reason is that, they were baptized with their sins in them; which tantamount to no baptism. As it was earlier said, there is no meaningful baptism that could be effective when a person has not denounced his cults and all the vices he or she had been practicing. It is not confession of sins alone that matters. The crux of the exercise is repenting and refraining from sins. Take the case of a man from Eniong who came to this place, for instance. When the book, "**First Step to God**" was given to him, after going through it, he left with the excuse that he had to complete his rounds of medication in the hospital first. Meanwhile, this man was receiving treatment in the hospital, but the sermon in that book abhors that. And for that reason, he fled and till now, he had not returned. He did not realize that if he had confessed his sins and got baptized, his sickness and problems would have been over. If baptism were to be of no importance, our Lord Jesus Christ could not have requested John the Baptist to get Him baptized.

Read Matthew 3:13-15:

Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbade him, saying, I have need to be baptized of Thee, and comest Thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, suffers it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered Him.

Our Lord Jesus Christ was baptized at the age of 30 (thirty) in the month of August. That was the day He died the first death, and for that reason, the second death had no dominion over Him; and so He resurrected. That is what is applicable to all the children of God. Death has no power over them. What you call death is no death but a spiritual transfer. The first death is that day you repent and completely refrain from all sins and get baptized. When you are baptized (by immersion) and do not go back to your former vices, but surrender yourself to the service of God, you cannot die anymore. This is because; you have no more association with the agents of death. What are the agents of death? They are fornication, lies, stealing, murdering, backbiting and many other vices.

All those who are still lustful of the world and the fullness thereof, in spite of their baptism, shall be damned. Our Lord Jesus Christ, for instance, was a qualified carpenter from His youthful age to the age of thirty.

All along, He was doing the carpentry work, but after His baptism, He received The Holy Spirit without measure; and since then, He did not go back to carpentry. He continued with The Work of God having surrendered Himself fully to God. Up till this moment, He has been in active service without slumbering. This is the model for all believers.

You may recall that when our Lord Jesus Christ was not baptized, He was not tempted by Satan. Immediately after His baptism, He was taken to the Wilderness where He fasted forty days and nights. There and then Satan tempted Him. (**Read Matt 4:1-10**). It should be noted that our Lord Jesus Christ could not succumb to these temptations because He was led by The Holy Spirit. Note very importantly that this Holy Spirit was bestowed upon Him just after His baptism. Therefore, when Satan departed from Him, He was ministered unto by the angels. (**Matt 4:11**). Similarly, all those who had decided to forsake all forms of sins and get baptized shall also be ministered unto by the angels. On the other hand, those who have refused to forsake all forms of sins and get baptized shall be damned.

Henceforth, before any person is baptized, he must read this sermon and be prepared to refrain from all vices and evil practices which are not in consonance with the tenets of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star.

If this is not done, your baptism should be regarded as an ordinary bath in the water. However, if you hearken to this teaching, you will be free from all bondage of sin and Satanism. You will then become the real Child of God. **Romans 6:2 asks: How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?** Our Lord Jesus Christ died once and thereafter He lives. Those who are dead and can never resurrect are those who have never been baptized. The root of death without resurrection can be traced to the wrong preaching given to new converts - that once they are baptized, all their problems are gone. They are not told to repent and refrain from sins.

These new converts therefore, go in for baptism as though they are going to the hospital or to the necromancer. Whosoever knows and confesses his or her sins, repents and is baptized, is saved. This is because his sins, having been forgiven on earth, are forgiven also in heaven. Whether you are a royal highness, king, queen, pope, archbishop, millionaire, billionaire, general or field marshal in the armed forces, you have to abide by His Teachings. Apart from this, you have yourself to blame.

DENOUNCE YOUR OLD WAYS BEFORE BAPTISM

The two baptisms - Repentance and Holy Spirit - are very important. If you undergo these two types of baptisms, you will have nothing to do with anger, fighting, bearing malice or anything that will cause discrimination, discomfort and segregation. This is why some people say that they are baptized into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, yet they can neither pray,

preach nor practice any sermon. In addition to baptism of repentance, if you had received the baptism of The Holy Spirit, you will not gossip, backbite, tell lies, indulge in idolatry, commit adultery, smoke tobacco and take all types of drugs. Do not ask any person to rush for baptism so that his sickness, court case or other problems may be cast away. Let the person confess all his or her sins; repent and refrain from such sins, then receive baptism. Thereafter such a person is washed clean and free from all judgment in heaven and on earth.

If you know you have committed too many sins and cannot bear the burden of them any longer, take refuge in our Lord Jesus Christ. This could only be done through repentance, refraining from, and abhorring sins. After this, **you will have to accept baptism as administered in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star.**

No prayer or fasting can save you without the above stated method. This is confirmed by the words of our Lord Jesus Christ as recorded in **Matt 11:28: Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.** Most people in various denominations baptize converts with the least opportunity. This should not be so. In Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, for instance, **I did not baptize any person from 1956 to 1957.** It was just a month to our departure to 26 Mbukpa that I started baptizing people. This was because, I did not want to baptize just anybody, that is, those who do not believe in our Lord Jesus Christ.

The first set of converts were baptized between the end of July, 1958 and August of the same year. On this note, therefore, **no baptism should be administered to any person who has not believed in God, and does not know what is sin and cannot accept having ever committed any.** Before 1958, all the people who came for prayers and to attend services, had to denounce their various churches, cults, secret societies, and other sources of power they believed in. How then could I have baptized such people?

It was at 26 Mbukpa Road, Calabar that some people started discarding their rings, bangles, charms, and amulets. If God did not apply His Great Wisdom, He would not have had any follower on earth. At that time, I could not place my hands on people's head for any reason if he could not confess all his sins. If he had begrudged any person, he had to go first to make peace before I could pray for him. At that time, whoever did not denounce his charms and cults, I did not pray for such a fellow.

THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The spirit, blood and water move and work in unison. (1 John 5:8). Most people in the prison yard and those in different precarious situations are being disturbed by The Holy Spirit. If The Holy Spirit is in you, you will be punished for any sin you commit; and if you

continue in sin, your end is death. In this wise therefore, once a sick person confesses all his sins truly and repents wholeheartedly, all his sicknesses will vanish completely.

Many people are plagued with various problems. The cause of their mishaps could be traced to the fact that they are not baptized. This fact could be confirmed in **Acts 2:38** where Peter advised the men of Judea during Pentecost to "repent and be baptized every one of you in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of The Holy Ghost". Similarly any person who does not possess The Holy Spirit must be baptized. So that he may receive it. The churches do not possess The Holy Spirit yet they claim to be God's children who are serving Him. How can you be a child of God or serve Him without The Holy Spirit? Those who must serve God satisfactorily must serve Him in Spirit and Truth (**John 4:23**).

Most people say they do not want a spiritual church, but they crave for the "real church" or what they call orthodox churches. Consequently, you can see their failure and perdition and how they die daily. As you go about praying for people and giving them money and other gifts, can such things save them? Though you may buy a car, a house or other things for a person or even train him in the university, he cannot receive salvation unless he confesses, repents and be baptized as is done in Brotherhood. Someone may pray for another and all his sickness, poverty and his hardship vanish; but if he does not possess The Holy Spirit, he is not saved.

It was for this reason that our Lord Jesus commissioned His disciples to "go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in The Name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Ghost...." (**Matt 28:19**). Therefore, anyone who realizes his or her sins and repents and gets baptized is saved and will be free from any judgment. On the other hand, he that feels he or she has no cause for repentance and subsequent baptism is condemned and nothing can save him. If he likes, he may distribute all his wealth to the poor and be charitable to all. At the end, he must perish because he believes not in God.

The gateway to this Kingdom is by confession, repenting and refraining from all sins, and then baptism (by immersion). As you emerge from the water, you have received The Holy Spirit. If anybody had not confessed, repented and refrained from all his former vices and evil ways, do not baptize him. If you do, it will be of no use, because the new spirit will be at war with his "customers" (sins). He therefore, will not stand fast in faith to God. From today, if any person desires to be baptized, ask him or her to confess about all his cults, secret societies, different sources of power and wealth. In other words, all his sins must be confessed before you baptize him. Any person who does not accept that he is a sinner, do not baptize him. On the contrary, all those who realize their sinfulness and seek for baptism should be baptized. Do not beg or plead with any person to accept baptism. The First Lesson below emphasizes this point.

First Bible Lesson: Mark 16:16

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

THE HOLY SPIRIT IS OBTAINED THROUGH BAPTISM

Our Lord Jesus Christ died because of our sins. If you realized that you are a sinner and believe in the fact that confession, repentance, refraining from all your sins and then baptism (by immersion) is the only way to Him, He will never disappoint you. For those who claim to have been baptized somewhere and that one does not baptize twice, leave them alone for judgment shall be against them. When you read in the Bible that children of God will judge the world this is that judgment.

Read 1 Corinthians 6:1-5. "Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints? Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? And if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters? Know ye not that we shall judge angels? How much more things that pertain to this life? If then ye have judgments pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church. I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? No, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren?"

The baptism of John the Baptist signified repentance; so that people may believe in our Lord Jesus Christ. This baptism was also for the remittance of sins. Did you know that this is judgment, and that any person who has no cause for repentance and baptism is condemned? It is said, that **"they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts". (Gal 5:24)**. This can only be achieved through confession, repentance and finally, baptism. When once you are dipped into the water, all your charms, juju, evil desires and lust, die completely. Nothing rules over you apart from The Holy Spirit.

When the churches fast, they do it between 6 am and 8 am actively. Beyond 9 am and 10 am many will fume. By 12 noon, food is kept all round so that they will eat and live. They cannot fast effectively for long because they have not crucified the flesh. They therefore, had not received The Holy Spirit which could have empowered them to fast. The entire world is still in the flesh. Whenever The Holy Spirit has taken dominion in your body, no power can either threaten or push you about. When any power or force hits at you, it breaks and cannot penetrate, for a local axiom has it that, "two cocks cannot crow on the same roof". Similarly The Holy Spirit and elementary (evil) spirits cannot stay in the same temple. That is why people change from bad to good and good to better and finally to best when they baptize and keep to the tenets of Brotherhood as taught by The Supernatural Teacher.

All the powers and forces in the entire universe put together, cannot remove any child of God from Brotherhood. Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is an unshakable Kingdom. The

moment you are baptized, you become one solid being having been possessed by The Holy Spirit. It is The Holy Spirit alone that controls your actions and operations. From the day you accept Him, all your problems are gone and there is no judgment for you. Do not be afraid of either death or any power. When people say that a Brotherhood member is poisoned, charmed or shot with a gun, I normally conclude that such a person is not a true member of this fold.

A Brotherhood member cannot be killed by any weapon, whether spiritual, physical or otherwise. He is above destruction. Remember the promise of our Master and Lord Jesus Christ that those who believe and be baptized shall not be hurt by anything whatsoever. **(Mark 16:16-18).** If you know that you are not really baptized, go immediately for baptism so that you may no longer be in tears. It is out of mercy that The Holy Spirit is changing the entire humanity from evil to good. He who does not experience this transformation cannot know the difference between good and bad. This is because, under the influence of evil spirits, murder is not a sin, likewise charms and amulets. Those who indulge in these things believe that it is a way of protecting oneself. However, let it be known that there is no salvation in any other place in the entire universe.

You have read that **we were shaped in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceive us (Psalm 51:5).** Consequently, from the first man, Adam, till now, we have all sinned and have fallen short of this Kingdom. God, The Merciful Father knows this and so He opened the only available channel. This channel is this baptism in which the procedure has earlier been explained. He who continues to pray for money and wealth should stop seeking for such things, but for his salvation. Neither government, your parents nor other powers or persons can help you. You cannot help yourself either, because we have all been clothed with sins. Only our Lord Jesus Christ can help us through the above stated method.

Forgo everything you know that will not give glory to God, so that you may be able to please Him. God does not want anyone to perish that is why He has opened this way unto the entire world. No other baptism can forgive and remit your sins. You can be a worshipper in any church denomination, but first come here and be baptized in the proper way; so that your sins will be forgiven and remitted. **Only The Almighty God can forgive the sins of any man or human being. Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is The Real Kingdom of God, where The Father, Son and The Holy Spirit (The Trinity God) dwell.**

No angels can forgive or remit your sin. If the almighty God forgives your sins, no other person can judge you again, and you will be free forever. This is not because of your good qualities but through his grace.

Formerly, when I tell members of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star that they were with The Holy Father, they had always been left with some doubts. They doubted the

possibility of any person staying with The Holy Being. However, today the scales have fallen out of their eyes and they have seen the truth of the issue. The songs rendered here and all the wonderful testimonies you give in this place are not heard in any other organizations. The sins you have refrained from, are those, which the world enjoys most. The type of life you live, people outside may regard you as a fool, for not leaving Brotherhood to work for money and other mundane wealth. Little do they know that here, you have seen what the world has never seen; and that where you are is The Kingdom of God. You cannot be snatched out by anybody.

As a member of Brotherhood, you have "put on" Christ, though the world accuses you for worshipping a man. They also say that you have been given something which protects you wherever you may be. This is true. You have been given what is not in the world, because you have been freed from judgment. Consequently, our Lord Jesus Christ had taken dominion in your body, and so, you are defeating all powers of death, poverty, sickness or lamentation. If any person prepares charm or diabolical substances so as to harm you, he or she is wasting his/her time. Whatsoever they do against you, instead of harming you, will return to them as a boomerang. That is the cause of all the sufferings amongst them. Anybody that gets baptized and receives The Holy Spirit, his/her eyes will be opened and he/she will realize his former folly.

For you to administer holy oil or water, prayers and visions to someone who neither believes nor baptizes is a futile effort. He or she cannot be saved. **There is not much time left to be wasted. Help yourself now, for the time is short.** Members of Brotherhood have cause to rejoice immensely with The Father for giving them such a Kingdom and glory, which cannot be shaken when they did not even believe in it. Consequently, there is no sighing, crying, tribulation, suffering and lamentation for them anymore. All adverse conditions have been removed from them.

When it is said that the kingdom of the world has become that of God and His Christ, (Rev 11:15), you are the ones being referred to. Formerly you were idol-worshippers but today, you are a Brotherhood member enjoying the full protection of The Almighty God. This is because from the very day you believed and got baptized, you had received The Holy Spirit. Therefore, the Kingdom of this world has become that of The Almighty God and His Christ. A true child of God in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star serves God 24 hours without any complaint. Those of the world cannot stay awake one night without complaint. It is said: **"fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell". (Matt 10:28).** Today, all members of Brotherhood are free from the above warning because they are not under any law. Nothing can kill you anymore. It is very pathetic to see a Brotherhood member going to a necromancer, juju doctor, or taking any form of medication. This is because Christ, having taken possession of you, no other power works in you.

If you are involved in any diabolical practices against any person, it cannot be effective. It should be known that, you are not what you think you are. **All Brotherhood members are not just human beings, they are "Spirit". It is this "Spirit" that does all things. You are only witnesses to The Work of The Holy Spirit.** Any person, who points an accusing finger at you, does so to Our Lord Jesus Christ. To prove this, if you go back to eat the former food which you discarded, you will not be comfortable. Thus, the choice of food to be taken is the entire prerogative of The Holy Spirit indwelling you. But rest assured that you are in The New World and in The Kingdom of God. You are therefore, free to go about preaching, singing and testifying about it. Read the Second Bible Lesson again.

Second Bible Lesson: Acts 2:38-39

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized, every one of you in The Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of The Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, *even as many as The Lord our God shall call.*

THE NEED FOR REPENTANCE

The above lesson is applicable to Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. As stated earlier, **the baptism of John was for repentance, while that of Brotherhood is for forgiveness and remittance of sins.** I thank God for the baptism of John the Baptist, because it brought man to the knowledge of The True God. Through his baptism, people believed in our Lord Jesus Christ. After the Baptism of remittance of sins, The Holy Spirit is given to such a believer. In fact, this promise has been made manifest in the children of Brotherhood.

Whoever baptizes you, be he a child or an adult as long as he is a baptized Brotherhood, your sins are remitted. However, if the baptism is administered by any other person who is not in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, it changes to that of repentance. Every other baptism in the world is undertaken for repentance; so that those who accept such baptism may believe in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star as the New Kingdom of God.

Simon Peter was baptized seven times before he met our Lord Jesus Christ. If he had not received the baptism of John, he would not have known our Lord Jesus Christ. After the era of our Lord Jesus Christ, I have not seen or heard of anybody who truly baptized people for the remission of his/her sins. Every person seems to be baptized so that their problems may vanish. Henceforth, let it be known that if you force someone, by much persuasion to be baptized, it means that you are the one who had accepted the baptism and not him/her. The best thing to do is to preach The Word of God to someone. When the person listens, and by what he hears, asks how he/she can be saved, you then have the chance to inform him to confess, repent and refrain from all sins; then he will be baptized. Let him know that after the baptism, he will receive The Holy Spirit. Consequently, if he believes and accepts baptism,

he is saved. Somebody who is entangled in so many secret societies and cults, and who is deeply involved in traditional medicine and occultism may become bored about his situation.

If he comes to you to know what he may do to be saved, you can tell him that, unless he forgoes all those former entanglements, repents and baptizes, he cannot receive salvation. If he believes and baptizes, his sins will be remitted and he will be saved.

A Brotherhood member is not expected to sue somebody no matter the offense. He is not supposed to kill. He must not be a liar, fornicator, adulterer, idolater or quarrelsome. A Brotherhood member must not be an immoral person or laden with iniquities. In those days, if you have a case pending in the court, you will not be prayed for or baptized unless you have withdrawn the case from the court. One woman who has a land case with her brother came to me then and I told her to forgo the land for him but she vowed that she cannot do that: and so was not baptized. She had since been transferred to the world beyond. Many other people perish in the same way. **A Brotherhood member does not take any part of medication; neither does he administer such to other people.** He must not initiate into any tradition or custom of the world. He must not count or impute sins on others and should not bear malice. Brotherhood is **the new heaven and the new earth where righteousness reigns. (2 Peter 3:13).** There are two things our Lord Jesus Christ holds and is ready to give free to whosoever merits them. If any person confesses his sins, He will first wash the person clean and also give him The Holy Spirit. Take note of the fact that people from all races have committed various and numerous sins. Read **Romans 3:9-10.**

"What then? Are we better than they? No, in no wise; for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin; As it is written, there is none righteous, no, not one." (**Rom 3:10**). However, Brotherhood of the Cross and Star had been established so that these sins maybe remitted.

Brotherhood is love, peace and goodness. The forgiveness and remittance does not stop the sins of this generation. It covers the sins of different generations such as those committed in the era of Adam, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Melchizedec among others, and other generations yet unborn.

Do not direct any person to Calabar, Biakpan, or give any person holy oil or water. Rather, when they ask how they could gain salvation, tell them to confess all their sins, repent and refrain from such sins, and then receive baptism. This is the only sure way to salvation. Do not hearken to those who are out to deceive you; that they will give you "spirit" at the bank of the water, in the forest, hills or mountains. Come to Brotherhood of the Cross and Star and receive The Holy Spirit free. **The spirits you receive in any other place are elemental which later turn to destroy you.**

A lot of people have problems in this Kingdom because they have refused to forsake their former cults and secret societies. This group of people could be likened unto a man that sent away his old wife to marry a new one. After a short while, he rented a house outside the matrimonial home for the old wife. He secretly goes to the old wife; sleeps and eats with her. Gradually, the old one draws nearer until she comes back to the home. Immediately she enters the home again, trouble sparks and the entire family becomes disorganized. This is how some members of Brotherhood go back to their former societies, which they had earlier abandoned. One of our brothers from Trinidad who said he was a member of 36 secret societies for instance had gone back to them. Such people are bound to have problems; for "no man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment. (**Matt 9:16-17**)

The memorandum of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star makes it clear that a Brotherhood member has no association with the world. Similarly, The Holy Spirit has nothing to do with weeping, lamentation, fornication, murder, wars, and all manners of sin. **The Holy Spirit brought peace because He is The King of Peace. He also brought joy and everlasting life to mankind.** Any Brotherhood member who does not possess The Holy Spirit is an unbeliever. Such members are faithless. **Faith cometh by hearing The Words of God.** Give the people The Words of God and they will ask you what to do in order to attain salvation. That was what happened to the Ethiopian Eunuch. **Read Acts 8:26-38.** Immediately he was baptized, all of Eunuch's sins were forgiven and he received The Holy Spirit. Accordingly, whoever rejects baptism, his sins will ever be on him in this generation and the one to come.

This is the last chance given to all children of God to practice love, humility, charity, patience and all virtues of Godliness. Our Lord Jesus Christ said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray The Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever. Even The Spirit of Truth whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but you know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." (**John 14:15-17**). Accordingly, **The Holy Spirit is The One doing all the great works in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star.** Formerly, the world claimed that Brotherhood's leadership is satanic. Now, they have seen love, righteousness, peace, patience, meekness, joy and holiness in the Leader Himself. Their eyes are now opened. This is because if Satan can have true love, righteousness, holiness and all virtues of Godliness, then it ceases to be Satan but God. Read the Golden Text again.

Golden Text: John 3:5

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."

THE NECESSITY OF A SPIRITUAL REBIRTH

In order to gain entry into The Kingdom of God, you must crucify the body and its lusts; for you cannot serve God and Satan at the same time. You must forsake all sins, repent and be baptized; then you become a newborn child in the Spirit. The children of the world cannot do any good because they will be directed by one mind to do good and the other takes the opposite stand. They end up doing the wrong thing which is evil. On the contrary, Brotherhood of the Cross and Star members believe in good deeds. There is peace, love, meekness, righteousness, joy and all Godly virtues expressed by only one individual. That is why they usually comment that all Brotherhood have one voice. **Our Lord Jesus Christ has fulfilled His promise as stated in John chapter 14 verses 15-16. That Comforter is now with us. We therefore have nothing to worry about.** We all live unto God and not the world. We have nothing in common with the world. What we do is help the world, just to fulfill the principles of love, which is in us.

The Holy Spirit has already revealed that any person who has any type of charms or diabolical substances should throw them away. Do not keep any such things in your house. The Holy Spirit is the force that is doing all things in this Kingdom. **May God bless His Holy Words. Amen.**

THANK YOU FATHER

NEITHER RACE NOR SKIN COLOR QUALIFIES ONE FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD

I sincerely request you to pay attention to this Gospel today. It is a very short gospel, but it is of great importance because it reveals the grace and the benevolence of God to the entire humanity. This Gospel shall serve as a warning to those who still discriminate or segregate, saying we are from Nigeria, Africa, Europe, America, Asia etc. This Gospel will be spread all over the world throughout all the radios and print media. This Gospel reveals that God is no respecter of person's nations or organizations. It is only those who do His Will and Purpose that He knows.

That is why you are mandated to go and spread this Gospel to all the nations of the world because the children of God are found all over the world. Some of them are in India, Europe, America, Africa and everywhere. And of a truth, it is only those who carry out the injunctions of God who are His children. This is not a matter of men, women or children, neither is it of Black man, White man or the Colored people. There is no color in this Kingdom. The Kingdom is only for those who perform The Will of God. And it is only those who do His Will who shall be admitted into this Kingdom.

It is written that heaven and earth shall pass away but God's Word shall not pass away. You have even begun to see its consummation. People from all parts of the world including America, India, Europe, Africa, come to occupy their positions in The Kingdom of God. If you have got the necessary qualifications which is righteousness then your admission is automatic no matter your race or country, be it France, or Africa, you are still subject to God's scrutiny. He does not look at your relations; and so do not be misled by the misconception that this or that person is your brother or sister, but God does not practice nepotism. If you want to use other values and considerations do, but in this Kingdom, it is justice and fair play, which reigns. Therefore nobody should ever imagine that merit or righteousness, which are the necessary qualifications, would even be compromised. Consequently, only those who practice The Word shall be saved.

You should forget about the church you have founded or the Bethel or cathedral, which you may have erected, if you don't do God's Will, all are in vain. Forget about all the things you have donated or committed to the services of God, for if you don't do His Will, you shall not enter The Kingdom. For Our Lord Jesus Christ said that this Kingdom shall be taken away from you, and given to the nations, which shall bear good fruits. There you should realize that this Kingdom does not belong to Nigeria, Africa, the Eastern world, or the Western world but it belongs to everyone who practices righteousness. It is very important for those who are really seeking The Kingdom to readjust their thinking. Therefore those who had come here for fun, or commerce should re-order their priorities in respect of this New Kingdom.

No matter how much money you have, your riches or affluence cannot help you to enter this kingdom. Your education, position or power cannot enable you to enter this Kingdom either. Even if you are so great that you can cause the day to become night and vice versa, you will not enter. Why did the Greeks not enter with all the wisdom and knowledge they exhibited? Why did the Israelites not enter, and yet they claim to own the kingdom? Why did all the other people not enter, through all of their fasting and prayers? Why did the Orthodox Christian and the Muslims not enter? And similarly, if you don't do The Will of God, you will not enter. It is senseless for anyone to go about boasting that he will not leave his church, be it Roman Catholic, Presbyterian etc., simply because he either founded such a church, or that it is the church of his ancestors. This is the time for you to practice love, patience, humility, meekness, mercy, righteousness, joy and peace, because these are the virtues, which would admit you into this Kingdom of God.

For anyone to glory in the fact that this Kingdom originates from Africa, Nigeria, or is from the Black race is futile. The Kingdom could be taken away and given to any nation, which bears those fruits of righteousness, which are needed for entry into it. God has to be born as a human being since He created man in His image and likeness. He cannot be a tree stone neither can He originate from the air, sea. Therefore the fact of His place, or family, of negativity does not qualify anyone for The Kingdom of God. Neither does the fact that He has revealed himself to you automatically entitle you to His kingdom.

In the worldly scheme of things, you can receive favor because you come from a certain family, village or community, or when you have blood relation with some people, but this is not practiced in The kingdom of God. That is why The Kingdom could be taken away from you at any moment you derail from the path of righteousness and be given to those who are qualified. I have been telling you that this Hall shall be filled to capacity with the Whites, Blacks the Colored people all coming from various parts of the world. Do not be surprised with what you have witnessed. This is just the beginning.

As a matter of fact, love does not segregate. Love does not backbite, love does not puff up. What you are witnessing now is the consummation of The Prophecy of God, which has said that people shall come from the north, south, east and west to receive this Kingdom. Whether it is a small child, an elderly person, a man or a woman, whoever does The Will of God shall have his share in this Kingdom. I want this Gospel to be given to all brethren who have just arrived from abroad and to every other person who is lucky to be there. My concern is not for Great Britain, America, India, Russia, Africa etc., nor for the Whites, Blacks or Colored people. My concern is for all those who practice The Word, and do The Will of God. That is why I often tell you that you do not know or understand where you are.

If you had known where you are, you would have put into practicing the injunction of 'love one another', which you are being taught every day. This is because wherever and whenever you practice this love, it gives you direct entry into The Kkingdom. There is one spiritual song in Igbo vernacular which says that whoever has no backing, once he practices the injunctions given by Leader Olumba Olumba Obu, Olumba will become his backing. So whether you have no father, mother, wife, husband or children, all you need to do is to practice The Word of God, and Leader Olumba Olumba Obu will be everything to you. This Kingdom is not for the rich, the millionaire's, billionaires, the engineers, and lawyers, professors, etc. It is not meant for Nigerians, Africans, Europeans or Asians. It is only for those who practice The Word of God. This Gospel is for all the fellowships everywhere, so as to put a stop to all the witch-hunting and intrigue. It will claim and solve difficult situations in the affairs of our lives, in our families and society.

As the political activities and elections are due in Nigeria in 1992, this Gospel will give enough warning; so be careful in whatever thing you do. We should spend much more energy and time in the service of this Kingdom then we should do away with the mundane things of this world. Let our Second Lesson be read and please be attentive.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 21:43

Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.

Brethren, is that a parable or vision? This is The Word of God; this is what shall come to pass, and this too is what had come to pass. God did fix a new day; and He warned the Israelites, "When you hear His voice, harden not your heart." If they had properly utilized the first day, another day would not have been fixed for them. It all boils down to the fact that the Israelites did not enter, but the Greeks and the Gentiles did. That was why God out of His loving kindness, fixed another day. This Gospel of this morning, showed very clearly that The Holy Spirit uses love, mercy, patience, meekness, humility, and temperance to rule over all humanity. And these virtues of God are what His children should possess or look for, rather than for the cars, houses, wife, husband, children and money etc. For if you own all these mundane things and lose The Kingdom of God, what benefit are they to you? And if you own material things, but you have no ability to practice The Word of God, then, The Kingdom shall be taken away from you and given to those who are really qualified. What shall it profit a man if he gains the whole world but suffers the loss of his life.

It is self-evident that it is better to get into The Kingdom of God with one hand or one eye, rather than go to hell with both hands and eyes. Rather than you to be a king in the kingdom of Satan, it is better to be a slave in The Kingdom of God instead of you to be a millionaire in the kingdom of Satan.

It will pay more to be a poor wretched person in The Kingdom of God. When this thing was directed to the Israelites and today's Christendom, they never believed it. This Kingdom shall be taken away from you and given to any nation that will do what is pleasing to God. If you ever think seriously about the gospel of today it should be an eye-opener for you. It is a great homework, which should occupy our minds and enable us to readjust our thinking. All the Christians, the Muslims, the churches, the politicians and all the occultists should think about this Gospel, and begin to come back to their God and Creator. Those of you who look for glory from the hands of men, how can you at the same time serve God?

This is The Kingdom of God, and when you have it, you become self-sufficient, and you are immediately endowed with The Virtues of God such as love, peace, joy, patience, endurance, meekness, humility and righteousness. You would not need to go and plead with anybody to do you a favor. Your community may ostracize you, and say they have nothing to do with you socially; or the family reject you for not following their line of action, or even the church; or the government might sack you from work, and you become dejected and desperate, yet if you lose these, but enter into The Kingdom of God, you have in fact lost nothing at all. That is why all true Brotherhood members do not look unto their families, governments, churches, and society or on any person for help, but unto God. And that is the more reason why we should do The Will of God who will never disappoint us. For, those who practice righteousness, the eyes of God are always focused on them. The Muslims, the Christendom and other religious are looking for this Kingdom of God; and since all these people are looking for this Kingdom, it is then incumbent on us to rearrange our own thinking so as to take the advantage we now have, for getting a place in this Kingdom.

All evildoers such as drunkard's fornicators, murderers, backbiters, swindlers and thieves have no share at all in this Kingdom. Those who, therefore hope on this Kingdom, should not commit sin, worship idols, and initiate themselves into traditional societies and cults, such as Ogboni, Amorc and the rest of the secular organizations and fraternities. Those who indulge in all these demonic things are not worthy. Our Lord Jesus Christ said unless you deny yourself of many worldly things, hate your brethren, wife, children, husband or the material things of this world, you shall not qualify for this Kingdom. If you do not take your cross and follow Him, you shall not enter because the native doctor, necromancer, and Satan shall laugh at you if you do not have any share in it at the end. How shall you feel if you see people from USA, India, Europe, other parts of Africa, come to have their share in this Kingdom but you who professed to have served God for 20 years, 30 years and 40 years are thrown out? It will be a great shame to you who profess to be chairman of this fellowship, or the other, yet you are found to have been conspicuously absent from this Kingdom.

That is why this Gospel has to be disseminated to all inhabitants of the world so that all those who have been having a wrong concept that this Kingdom is for Biakpan, Nigeria, Africa should stop it; for nobody shall enter or have a share in it if he does not do The Will of

God. They should no longer make such noisy claims, shouting hallelujah as though entry into The Kingdom depends on such aimless noisemaking. If the Africans, refuse to accept The Kingdom and do it's bidding, they will lose it. All should realize that Egypt was the cradle of civilization, but where is Egypt now in the affairs of the world today? All forms of scientific, technological and mathematical breakthrough in the world today started in Egypt. The manufacture of vehicles, aircraft and the rest of it; all the formulas were initiated from Egypt, but today Egypt is still one of the countries in the developing world. That is why it is said that a wise man sees evil from afar and takes precautions, but the foolish person wants evil to happen to him before he regrets later.

The things of God are purely spiritual and just. Nepotism and discrimination do not come in. God neither compromises nor condones anything evil. The question as to whether someone is your brother or sister does not arise. Therefore all must endeavor to do their very best to enter this Kingdom, as this does not require money nor material wealth. It only requires righteousness. There are no Godfathers in the affairs of God. You should seek for the food that shall not perish. Do not be despondent that you have no money, nobody, no wife, nor husband, for all these are irrelevant in the affairs of God; what is needed from you is only righteousness. When you practice His Words that entitles you to direct entry into God's Kingdom. You can ride straight and comfortable into The Kingdom of God.

Right from 1960, when Nigeria got her independence, those who boasted of their positions as presidents, governors, ministers, etc. have gone into oblivion. It was just the same thing that happened to former world powers such as the Babylonian kingdom, the Medo-Persia, the Grecian and the Roman Empires. All went into oblivion and to rise no more. It shows the emptiness of the mundane powers, which you have very high regard for these days. It is not only peculiar to Nigeria. Many other countries of the world and their presidents and empires have all faded away into nothingness. All the noise, claims and counterclaims have all gone with them into oblivion.

And The Kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ which Daniel prophesied about, is now to be ruling and reigning, and shall last for eternity. And of a truth, liars, thieves, murderers, swindlers, manipulators and all the unrighteous, shall not rule again. The kingdoms of this world have been snatched from the earthly rulers and given to those who practice The Word of God. Your numerical strength does not matter; even if it is one man; that one righteous man, shall rule and reign alone, irrespective of wherever he comes from.

For it is written in the Bible (Psalms 127:1) that unless Jehovah God builds a house, they that labor to build it, labor but in vain; and in the same vein unless Jehovah God watches over a city, the watchmen watches in vain. You will remember when the 10 virgins went to a marriage ceremony (Matthew 25:1-12). Five wise virgins put sufficient oil in their lamps and had some reserve. But the other virgins neither had enough oil nor any reserve. And so when the bridegroom delayed till midnight, the oil of the foolish virgins got finished. They went to

the wise ones for more oil, but unfortunately for them the wise ones said that they had just enough for themselves and advised them to go and buy theirs. And they went out to purchase oil, and ever since then these foolish virgins were yet to come back and join the others. The door was shut against them.

I would also like to remind you about that rich man, in the Bible (Matthew 19:16-23) who said that he had kept the laws and the prophets. The rich man asked Our Lord Jesus, what else he should do to have eternal life. Christ told him that he still had one hurdle to overcome, and that was that he should go and sell all his belongings and distribute the same to the poor. And furthermore he should come and follow Him. That he would have greater wealth then he had ever had if he complied. God had already revealed this Kingdom to Prophet Daniel during the reign of King Nebuchadnezzar. Daniel told him many kingdoms would come in series, each one fading away and giving room to the next, until all shall have been completely destroyed from the earth plane. But eventually that of Jehovah God and His Christ would come and rule and reign for eternity.

And it was also predicted by Moses that at the close of this age, (Acts 3:22-23) a prophet shall arise, and those who would not want Him to rule, shall be brought before Him and killed. Therefore let not the false accusations, abuses, curses, humiliations which we have been receiving because of this Kingdom be in vain. Let our sleepless nights and other sacrifices be not in vain. Let us not allow the things of the flesh and the material considerations block our minds. For, I say, that The Kingdom of Our Lord Jesus The Christ has finally arrived. Brethren, I shall not be tedious unto you. Let the Golden Text be read, as I am not going to be tedious unto you.

GOLDEN TEXT: MATTHEW 12:50

For whosoever shall do The Will of My Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, sister and mother.

The person who interprets this Gospel, and the person who shall write out this Gospel those who spread, and those who listen or read this Gospel and put the same into practice should regard themselves as being the luckiest in the world. This Gospel shall be made into a small pamphlet for distribution to banks, offices, corporate bodies, governments' departments, mercantile houses and to all the fellowships.

Wherever does The Will and Purpose of God is my mother, father, brother, sister, and relation. God does not look for Orthodox churches and their Cathedrals. What God looks for are those who practice righteousness and do His Will. He is not interested in the Duke town, Catholic or in any well-decorated sanctum or church buildings. He is not looking for Black or White or Colored people, or any other things for that matter, but for those who will do what is pleasing to Him.

You must remember that a sick person who laid beside the pond of water for 38 years (John 5:5-8), he had nobody to help him. When Our Lord Jesus the Christ saw him, he asked if he was desirous to go home. He told Christ that it would be impossible for him to go home since he had nobody to put him into the water so as to be healed when the Angels troubled the water. Our Lord Jesus the Christ told him to take up his mat and go home. The man automatically became well. Jesus the Christ was then his brother and relation. Therefore whoever does The Will of God; God will become everything for him. All the time shouting, "Jesus, up" and, "Satan, down," cannot salvage anyone at all. What is really needed is to do God's Will. It is needless calling Jesus Christ your friend and brother when you are not prepared to do His Will. It is a reality that people shall come from the north, south, east and west to sit in His Kingdom. A Russian, an American, an Indian, or an African who does what pleases God, shall be admitted into The Kingdom.

There is no church, no person, no organization or religion that is good enough. Rather it is only those who do The Will of God that are good enough to be chosen. That is why we start from January to December yearly teaching you to come to The Accurate Knowledge of Truth. For this is the only path to salvation. What do you do with the glory and the power of man, which passes away soon? The time of glory and pride of man has ended. And this is the Golden Reign and Rule of Jehovah God and His Christ. There is one spiritual song, which says that whoever is with God must certainly overcome the world. Should we miss this Kingdom for anybody's sake after having suffered for it for many years, it would be something pathetic.

I thank The Holy Spirit for this wonderful message of salvation and spiritual liberation, which He has so graciously given to us. We thank The Holy Spirit for the interpreter and the writer of this Gospel for if our God had wished that we should perish, He should not have sent us this unique Gospel of salvation. Brethren, God is true, and His words are also true, and we are thankful to him that He is not discriminatory. "Any country, nation, race, tribe, family, community and religion which does His will, will get the right to be His children and He will admit them into His Kingdom. These are Words of God, you have seen Him and that is really what this New Kingdom is all about. Whether you are an Egyptian, an Indian, a Muslim, a French man, a Buddhist, but you do His Will, He is your brother and your sister. Nobody is known by the flesh.

You are known by your righteousness. A man is known only by God if he does what is pleasing to Him. Don't deceive yourself that you are a bishop, pope or that you have founded so many churches because such claims shall not save you. The only thing, which shall save you, is to do The Will of God. For when you do The Will of God, He will become all things for you. Even if you are rejected and ostracized in the society once you do The Will of God you have nothing to fear. For God will give you your life's ambitions and desires.

It is said that a stroke of the cane is sufficient for the wise, let those who have ears to hear, let them hear. May God Bless His Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

LOVE IS THE IDENTITY CARD OF THIS KINGDOM

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: JOHN 13:35

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

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: REVELATION 2:4-5

Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

GOLDEN TEXT: REVELATION 3:21

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in His throne.

Brethren that is the theme of our revelation this night. If we have love, we shall stay together with Our Lord Jesus Christ in The Kingdom of God. If we have love the whole world will know that we are the Disciples of Christ. Founding a church does not cause any person to be known as a disciple of Christ. To build a school and be highly educated cannot make you a disciple of Our Lord Jesus Christ either. To go to church and be appointed to a high position in the church cannot make you a disciple of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The only passport and credential and qualifications required is "Love". As one of your spiritual choruses asks, "Whether you have an identity card?" The identity card of this Kingdom is love. Whosoever has no love has not got an identity card; and can, therefore, not enter.

THE PRINCIPLE OF THE KINGDOM IS LOVE

If you fail to enter this Kingdom of God, it implies that you have departed from the first love that you had. And so brethren, the guiding principle is that we all must have love. See that none of you is exasperated, or quarrel, or fight, or begrudge any person, or take court actions against anyone. But seek after love, which is the only injunction from heaven. All those who tell lies, have no love. All those who hate their brethren have no love. All of those who begrudge others have no love. All those who quarrel, have no love. All of those who fornicate have no love. All those who are not merciful unto others, have no love. And here we are reminded that if we have love for one another, then will people know we are the disciples of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

WE HAVE PASSED FROM DEATH INTO LIFE

People are very fond of shouting upon the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ. No matter how loud your shouts are, if you have no love, your shouts mean nothing. Some claim to know Our Lord Jesus Christ. Why is it that they have no love? Whosoever loves his brethren

has love. If you have love you will sit on the right hand of God in His throne, even as The Son of God is sitting. Wherever you find yourself if you have love, you are admitted into the throne of God. We have been taken out from the old world, that world of suffering, and woe, and sorrow into the New Kingdom of God. We have been taken out of the world of sin into the world of righteousness. Now there is no other law in this Kingdom apart from love alone. Therefore, in the throne of God only love prevails.

LOVE PREVAILS IN THE THRONE OF GOD

You are aware of the spiritual chorus we always sing, "The covenant has gone, the covenant of Moses, love is the new commandment." Do not be deceived that you are a chorister, a visioner, a preacher, one who offers prayers, an Elder, and what have you. This Kingdom is nothing else but love. What will make the people identify you, as the child of God is this love. It is because of love that people will hate you. It is only through love that you have dominion over death, sickness, poverty and all manners of sin. It is only through love that you sit in the throne of God and the Lamb. The secret in this Kingdom is love. The foundation stone of this Kingdom is love. The Christ said, "Not those who call me Lord, Lord will enter into the Kingdom of Heaven but those who do The Will of my Father. (Matthew 7:21) what is The Will of The Father? The Will of The Father is to love. The Kingdom of God is love since Our Lord Jesus Christ is love it is incumbent upon all the inhabitants of the world to love one another. It is love that makes you real brotherhood.

YOU SHOULD ALL CHANGE OVER

All those who have no love are subjects of suffering and afflictions. This explains why we should repent and go back to the first love we had. Money will not make you sit with Our Lord Jesus Christ in His throne. If you have money, or children or wealth it means you have not overcome but if you have love, you have overcome. This "changeover" should symbolize love. All those who quarrel and fight, begrudge others, think evil, become exasperated, and bear malice, should change over and wear the armor of love. It is a period of changing over from hatred, from malice, from anger, from fastidiousness, from falsehood, from theft, from fornication and from all acts of sin. If you have been imputing sins on people, change over and begin to lead a righteous life so that you can sit in The Throne of God. If you had never appreciated what another person was doing, please change over and appreciate others. If you are one who always wants people to serve you, changeover and serve others. If you were proud and arrogant changeover, and be humble. If we profess to be Brotherhood and in this period of change we do not love all men, we are deceiving ourselves. All those who confess they have neither love nor goodness, should remember the first love and changeover. So brethren whether or not you have money, have love, because only love can take you into The Kingdom of God. No other thing can enter therein except love. The New Kingdom is love; The Throne of God is also love. I do not want to overload you. The First Lesson will now be read.

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: JOHN 13:35

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

Brethren have you heard that? That is exactly what Jehovah God and His Christ require from us. Whosoever has love is known of God. Let us have love, which emanates from a pure heart. Whosoever has love will not wait to be asked to do what is good. If you have love, you will do what is good always, and you will always think rightly. You have to live exemplary life in your thoughts, words, deeds, actions and movements so that you will give glory to The Almighty God.

ONLY LOVE CAN SAVE YOU

It is not vision or prayer or preaching that will save you but if you have love for all men then you stand saved. If you had no love in the past, from now on, beginning from this changeover, you must love. If in the past you had been doing good to somebody but because he offended you, and you refuse to do good to him, seize this opportunity and change over and repent and confess your sins. You have heard that any person who has love has passed from death onto life, but those who have no love abide in death. (First John 3:14) you can observe that from January to December every year, we preach no other sermon except love.

ONLY LOVE CONQUERS

Who is the person who conquers? It is the person who has love. Since God Himself abides in love, The Christ abides in love, The Holy Spirit abides in love, we all ought to abide in love. Love is The Throne of God and of The Christ and it is The Throne of Brotherhood. It is this opportunity that The Holy Spirit has seized to chasten us, reprove us, rebuke us and to change us where we err, so that we go back to our first love. Now that He has changed you, do not go back to the world of sin. He uses love to change us. We should, therefore have love, lowliness of the heart, meekness and tolerance, accommodating and enduring what we see from day to day.

THE CORRUPTIBLE PUTS ON INCORRUPTIBLE

Whoever comes into The Kingdom of God will realize that it requires no other thing apart from love. There is no other Throne of God apart from love. There is no other glory, apart from love. It means, that whosoever has love, has overcome the world. Any person who has love overcomes death, sickness, the Hades, tribulations and wretchedness. Rebuke and reprove all those who have no love, and teach them to love. From now on, irrespective of your station and disposition in life, let no person nurse animosity against another person.

If you begrudge any other, repent and be saved because The Father has changed us and has taken away from us the carnal body of sinfulness, the corruptible body, the body of

fornication, the mortal body, the vile body, and has changed us into spirit, incorruptible and immortal. (1 Corinthians 15:53) at every moment of our life, in the morning, in the afternoon, in the evening and the night, during the day, at dawn and at dusk have love, show love, demonstrate love, speak the words of love in your prayers, and your songs, in your testimony, and in your preaching. When you submit to love, you will also submit to God.

THE LAND OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

The promise, which He made to us, was that if we have love we shall sit in The Throne of God even as He sits on The Throne of The Father. As He has the right to sit and enjoy every privilege, you also have the right, and we all have the right and the privilege. A great many of us, have eyes but cannot see, this is The Throne of God notwithstanding. In it no sin can enter. If you were to know The Throne of God, no person would quarrel or fight, or commit any sin or even pronounce woe and curses on people. You are not called to quarrel and fight, to scramble and begrudge people, to criticize and condemn but you are called to demonstrate love. If somebody asks you what Brotherhood is, tell him that Brotherhood is love. If he further asks what you learn, tell him you are taught love. If he asks you further the reason of your faith, tell him your faith is in Our Lord Jesus Christ. He says whosoever overcomes will sit with Him in The Father's Throne. (Revelation 3:21) today He had openly declared to us that if we have no love, we will be annihilated from the surface of the earth. A wise man suspects a disaster when it is yet far away and takes precaution, but a foolish man stays until it reaches him before he arranges to take caution. Do not boast because of your wealth, or because of your beauty or because of your education or that you are in Brotherhood, but boast because you have love. If you bear malice against anyone, if you begrudge any person, repent. Repent of all your sins, your evil utterances, your animalistic behavior, your pugnacious and quarrelsome tendencies, and begin to demonstrate love.

Whosoever has no love has no share in The Kingdom of God. Whatever you are, if you do not demonstrate love, you have no share in The Kingdom of God. Do not be laughed at by a necromancer on the final day of reckoning because of lack of love. The Scriptures say that whosoever shall keep the whole law and yet offends in one point he is guilty of all. For He that says, do not commit adultery also says do not kill, if you do not commit adultery but you kill, you have become a transgressor of the law (James 2:10-11). We are definitely very lucky in this era that things we have forgotten, what we do not know, what we have less regard to, The Father reminds us all.

BROTHERHOOD CAME FROM THE THRONE OF GOD

Many people believe that when you love, you are submitting yourself in the service of people, but they do not know that when you love you are in The Throne of God. Whosoever loves his fellow human being, sits in The Throne of God. All those who love, dwell in The

Kingdom of God. Whenever you see any person who has love, do not ask him about Jehovah God and His Christ because He dwells in him, and he in Him. All those who love come from The Throne of God into this world. Brotherhood came from that throne. That is why when you are in Brotherhood if you were to have love you would not have shown any propensity to fighting and quarreling and committing all acts of sins. Why we deny ourselves of everything, why we do not fornicate, steal, tell lies is that we may sit on The Throne of God. I do not say such a person will sit, but whoever has not love cannot sit on The Throne of God neither can she demonstrate the attributes of truth, humility, patience, peace, joy and self-control.

EVERYTHING WILL PASS AWAY BUT LOVE WILL ENDURE FOREVER

What we should now concentrate our attention on is to have love, one to another, not to be exasperated with anyone, and not to indulge in any act of sin, in order that we may have good report. We are told that The Commandment of God is that, as the children of God we should have love, one towards the other. If, therefore, you have no love, you are dead. Love had existed before the foundations of the world were laid. The world will pass away but love will not pass away forever. If I love you and you reciprocate my love we shall remain in peace; there will be no quarreling, no fighting and no warfare. If you love me and I love you, the desire to do good will always be kindled in our hearts and this will remain indelible, constantly reminding us of what good we should do. When that is done, death, sickness, poverty, warfare will be swept away. Any person, who is truthful and humble, sits on The Throne of God. Brethren I do not want to take you any further. Our Second Lesson will now be read.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: REVELATION 2:4-5

Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come onto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

Brethren can you notice what is called love. He says I have something against you that you departed from the first love. If you have been loving somebody from your infancy and at your adulthood, misunderstanding sets in, and you sever your relationship, go back and revive that first love, install and maintain it.

RETURN TO THE FIRST LOVE

When God sent Jonah to tell the people of Nineveh to repent, he went and preached to them. The king fell from his throne and rolled in dust putting on sackcloth. All the citizens repented and God saved them. (Jonah 3:6-10) this night that we are finalizing the period of changeover for this year, (July 7-July 14) every person should do what is good in the sight of

God throughout his life on earth. Do not turn back, do not backslide, do not retrogress, do not steal, fornicate, tell lies, drink, do snuff, give or take bribes, and indulge yourself in the preparation of concoctions. But move forward with joy to do what is good throughout the days of your life.

This statement is not made by an angel but by Our Lord Jesus Christ, straight. He said, "Nevertheless I have somewhat against you because you have left your first love. Remember, therefore, from where you have fallen, and repent and do the first works or else I will come unto you quickly and will remove the candlestick out of its place, except repent." You have departed from the love of God, and you rather love food, preparations of concoctions, drinking, snuffing, fornication and other carnal things, which lead you to death, sickness and wretchedness.

CHANGEVER MEANS GLORIFICATION OF GOD

A great many people do not know that old things have passed away that love alone is in vogue. The celebration we observe in this "changeover" week is the glorification of God and demonstration of love because The Father, The Son, The Holy Spirit and the Children of God have joined hands together. All those who fell short of the love of God should now repent and be penitent; and from now on you should not allow any person to induce you to quarrel fight or commit any act of sin, but always abide in love. Wine and the preparation of concoctions will not admit you into this Kingdom neither will the worldly knowledge of this Kingdom save you, except love alone.

Brotherhood has come to save the whole world from roguery, quarreling, fighting and other acts of sin, from death, sickness, poverty, and oppression; and to use love to save all. When you go home read that passage of the Bible again whether your own version will be different. Our Great Judge, our Great Leader, our Great Warrior, our Great Father says He has something against the inhabitants of the world for loss of the first love. He warns that we should go back to pick up from where we had fallen and repent otherwise we will not be saved because He will remove the candlestick from its place.

LOVE CASTAWAY FEAR

If you have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. The wisdom descends not from God but is earthly, sensual and devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. (James 3:13-17) The house we have is love, the bank we have is love, all we have are based on love. We should remember the first love and pursue it. The spirit we have is love. Whatever love costs us we should endeavor to standby it. In righteousness, The Holy Spirit judges and makes war. Brotherhood is love, The Holy Spirit is love, Our Lord Jesus Christ is love, and Jehovah God and His Christ is love.

We should forsake hatred, animosity, malice, and seek after love; love which is without dissimulation and flattery and try to eschew craftiness.

ANY WAR WAGING IS WARFARE OF LOVE

You continue to drink but you forget that you are not born with wine. You fornicate and argue that you cannot do without fornication; you were not born with fornication. You who indulge in the preparations of concoction and charm, you were not born with these diabolical things. Abandon all these and follow Our Lord Jesus Christ. We have to love because if we do not love He will deny us, and He will remove the candlestick from its place, and we shall fall short of the glory and salvation of God. A great many of you have now been elevated to the first Temple. Some to the second and others are in paradise. You always think that it is a dream. It is not, but real. There is no other war apart from the warfare of love. When somebody offends you, do good to him. Evil should always run away from you. Do not be overcome with evil but overcome evil with good. (Romans 12:21) but a real child of God who is in The Throne of God cannot be exasperated. Our Golden Text will not be read.

GOLDEN TEXT: REVELATION 3:21

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in My Throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His Throne.

This throne is kept for all the children of God. The throne is not only for Our Lord Jesus Christ or for Peter but for me and for all who seek after Him. If you overcome, not through enmity, and not through vengeance, and not through departure from the first love, you will sit in The Throne of God. We have the right to thank God for changing us over, and for making this week a Holy Week. All those who conquer will sit on the right hand of God The Father.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS WITHIN YOU

Do not say in your heart, "Who shall ascend into heaven to bring down The Christ from above or who shall descend into the deep to bring up The Christ from the dead. (Romans 10:6-7) but what has righteousness said? The Word is near you even in your mouth and in your heart that is The Word of Faith, which we preach. The Kingdom of God is nearer to you than the tongue to the mouth. He is looking for you and for all creations.

GOD CHASTENS A CHILD HE LOVES

Whatever you see is the chastening of God. (Hebrews 12:6). People in the world depart from the love of God and rather tend towards love for money, for knowledge, wealth, wife, husband, children and all mundane things. That is why God has chosen to chasten us. There

is good and all other things in this Kingdom, but when once you have love everything is at your disposal. It does not cost you anything.

ANY PERSON WHO HAS LOVE IS KNOWN OF GOD

To serve in the Kingdom is to have love. What we do is done by The Father, and we have to do all the work. If you have love, you are known of God. But if you do not love, you are not known of Him. Brethren, I do not intend to be tedious unto you. One stroke of the cane is sufficient for the wise. Those who have ears let them hear. May God Bless His Holy Words. Amen.

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THANK YOU FATHER

WHERE LIES YOUR SALVATION?

FIRST LESSON: MATTHEW 24:21

For then shall be great tribulation, such as hath not been since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

SECOND LESSON: 2ND THESSALONIANS 2:9

Even Him, whose coming is after the working of Satan, with all power, and signs, and lying wonders.

GOLDEN TEXT: MATTHEW 24:22

And except those days should be shortened, there would no flesh be saved: but for the Elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

MAN'S SPIRITUAL WEAKNESS

The greatest spiritual weakness is that the world does not know where her salvation emanates from. Men who are weak in practicing God's Word all over the world have been lying dead in a confused state of ignorance as to where their salvation lies. I pity you brethren. I pity the world as a whole. And because I pity you and love you, I have chosen to preach this Gospel to you. This I know will reveal to you where your salvation lies. Most men blame their troubles on their fellow men. When they are smitten sick, they blame it on their friends. When they are robbed, they find ways and means to accuse man of it. These people fail completely to know that all the suffering of man are planned. They fail to realize that our troubles, wars and other calamities have been prophesied. Today calamities persist everywhere. The world all over is in trouble.

There is war here and there. Man is confused, his trouble prevents him from thinking correctly, and his thoughts are full of evil. He is troubled at sea, in the ocean; the animals of the earth and the fowls of the air are also troubled. The fishes of the sea tremble in fear; nobody knows exactly what to do. The question is who can tell The Way and The Will of God? To call off his woes is what man wants God to do for him. His sufferings, hunger, famine, sickness and his want are what man wants God to remove out of his way or from this world. Brethren, where do you want your troubles driven? Was it not prophesied that you must attain your destiny? Were you not told to get prepared for them? Every one of you should know that God is now exhibiting His Wrath on man. God must do this in order that His Son should come and reign. Why do you doubt God's Power? Man, why slumber and live in sin? Why lie down in silence and allow Satan to take possession of you? Know you not that the hour is at hand. The end of the world is at hand.

The Son of God is breaking the glorious cloud towards you. He is near. He must come. If He does not come, Satan would rule over you. This world must end otherwise the tribulation will be great. Let us therefore know where we are and who will save us. Money, man and education cannot save us. Can earthly inventions and discoveries save us? No! None of these things can save us. Think of it; they have no power of any kind to save man. Bombs, guns, flogging (beating) and weeping have no power of their own and they do not bring salvation to you. When The Christ is near, man trembles with fear. What is greater than the prophecy that The Son of God must come to save you and the people of the world? What is greater than that warning about the coming salvation? Man! You must change from your evil ways for His Coming. You must be prepared to be one of His Elects.

It is written that only the Elects shall be saved. We are saved because of the Elect's sake. (See Matthew 24:22) This is the right hour for the Elects to wake up and save the world. The moment has arrived. The prophesied tribulation is shaking the world. Stand up men of God, stand up; stand firm and do His Will and the world will be saved through you.

ONLY THE ELECTS WILL SAVE YOU

You keep wondering as to what will save us. Will killing, drinking of alcohol, making juju and fornicating save us? Brethren, these will not surely give you the salvation you want. It is said that only the Elects will save you. Are sinners the Elects? No! Sins are destructive. They are satanic and are your enemies. All earthly inventions e.g. bombs, guns and all other kinds of weapons are satanic; they are your enemies and are the cause of your troubles on earth, God does not like them. He frowns at them because they destroy life and are evil. The Will of God of course must be done. There must be these tribulations. There must be these evils as it was prophesied, and in the end, The Coming of The Christ with its attendant salvation. Brethren; the time has come, repent and follow God, and Our Lord Jesus Christ and be saved. Re-examine the First Lesson:

FIRST LESSON: MATTHEW 24:21

For then shall be great tribulation, such as hath not been since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

THE SHAKING OF THE EARTH

Brethren, you agree that war, fighting, hunger, famine, poverty and oppression have shaken you, shaken your family, association and friendship? Have you not seen how tribulation has shaken the whole world at large? Where can we not feel tribulation? Husbands and wives disagree; parents and children are often as daggers-drawn and destroy themselves; illnesses of all sorts have refused to yield to treatment. Brethren, the time has come. Change your ways and be saved. Re-examine the Second Lesson:

SECOND LESSON: 2ND THESSALONIANS 2:9

Even Him, whose coming is after the working of Satan, with all power, and signs, and lying wonders.

THE FULFILLMENT OF THE SCRIPTURE

Brethren, have you not seen that the above excerpt has been fulfilled. Satan has come with power to trouble man in the world. He has threatened the life of man with his devilish inventions namely guns, bombs and all other known scientific inventions. Know that our forefathers never used guns and bombs and there was peace. Your so- called scientific inventions have come to destroy the peace of the world. They have not come to save us. They have neither power nor intention to give us salvation. They have only brought confusion and woes unto man. All those who invented these things should not rejoice and think they are intelligent. Their intelligence is satanic, destructive and evil. These inventions cannot bring peace, love, truth, mercy, humility and everlasting life. No! They cannot bring happiness, The True Life of God. Our hope in them is nothing save destruction. Brethren, The Gospel must be fulfilled. It is written that Satan must threaten the world by its satanic performances. The world is being goaded by Satan; so do not depend on Satan for help. You must not allow yourself to be guided by Satan. If you do, you will be doomed.

GOD'S PROMISE

Only God can save you through the Elects. God has promised you that only those who fear Him and do His Will shall see salvation and His Light. The Elects have been chosen to save mankind but man has always treated them with disregard and contempt. God had wanted to, when He destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, save them if only five Elects could be found in them. Brethren, you cannot save yourself. You cannot save your homes, countries, friends and towns by fighting. You cannot be saved by money and by your own wisdom. Only God can do that. **He alone has power to save. Therefore, obey Him and all will be well with you.** If you want peace in your home and country, go to God and do His Will. Be the Chosen Sons of God by working for Him. Be ye True Children of God and you will be able to save your lives and your country.

God has promised to shorten the days of tribulation for the Elect's sake. Therefore, make haste to be elected as the Chosen Sons of God. Make haste to be chosen for the salvation of this world. By doing this, you will be greatly rewarded. God saves the world through the poor, the meek, and the rejected who have repented and followed Him. The rich, the great and the highly educated have found it difficult to save the world. They are not at all meant to save you or the world. Only the Elects can redeem you. The Elects are the righteous and the upright in deeds and words. Brethren, do not weary, work hard for God and your lives will be saved and prosperous at last. Stand firm and be strong brethren; do the right thing. Stand up

and save the world from destruction and you will be rewarded both on earth and in heaven. Re-examine the Golden Text:

GOLDEN TEXT: MATTHEW 24:22

And except those days should be shortened, there would no flesh be saved: but for the Elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

THE PROMISE THAT GLADDENS THE HEART

Brethren, this promise is for you. The days have been shortened because of you. This is done for your salvation and that of the world. Your reward for being the Elects is the salvation that God has given to the world. It has been said that The Chosen People of God only will have it. This is the unfailing promise of God to them. Believe this wonderful promise. It shall not fail. It is true and must come to pass.

Your task is to go to the world and preach this Gospel to people. Preach The Way of God. Preach His Holiness and practice same for your salvation and that of the world as a whole. Draw near to God so as to be redeemed. Satan will not redeem you. He has no power to save you; his ways are destructive. The Power of Salvation belongs to God. God alone can redeem the world through His Elects. Work hard brethren for righteousness sake. Work for the Peace of God. Work hard for all The Qualities of God. Work harder for your own interest and salvation. God is by your side. He will not leave you alone. He is ready to help you in all aspects of life if only you follow Him and do His Will. He cannot fail you. All things are possible with God. Brethren, you have been chosen to do His Will. Do it and yours is salvation and peace. Those who have ears let them hear. May The Lord Bless His Holy words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

PRACTICE THE WORDS OF GOD

1st Lesson: St. John 14: 21

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

Golden Text: St. Matthew 7: 24-25

Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

FAITH CONNOTES PRACTISING THE WORD OF GOD

Beloved, have you now realized what is meant by faith? Being faithful simply means accepting to practice The Words of God every time, everywhere. Often people mock at you when you claim to have seen God face to face. This is as a result of the fact that they always see you indulging in sins.

A woeful sinner who claims to see God face to face does not understand what he says. You are often mocked by the people of the world for claiming to see God face to face yet you wallow in sinfulness. It is the faithful alone that God reveals Himself to, whoever rejects The Word of God cannot see God. And whoever believes not in God and His Words cannot be His disciple. You have been enjoined not to steal, tell lies, fornicate, use medication, quarrel and engage in the like deeds. You must refrain from these so as to be saved. At any point in time you practice The Word of God, you automatically become one with Him. How can you claim to be seeing God face to face yet you practice none of His injunctions? Anyone who believes not in God cannot practice His injunctions. Invariably, if you do not practice His Words, you cannot establish faith in Him. Read the First Lesson again:

1ST LESSON: ST. JOHN 14: 21

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

THE WORDS OF GOD IS POWER

A great number of people have failed today as a result of the fact that they have shunned His commandments. The Word of God constitutes power. It is through The Word of God that we have peace, love, prosperity, joy and other goodies in life including eternal life. From January to December, I make sure The Word of God is imparted to you. Yet, you refuse to practice same. To show your apathy towards The Word of God, some people do pay a deaf

ear on hearing the Bible that marks the beginning of each service. Note that salvation is for those who practice The Word of God.

Recall that in the time of Noah, only him and his household were saved. This was as a result of the fact that they practiced The Word of God and had faith in God. You claim to have seen God face to face, but do you know what your statement means? Bear in mind that seeing God face-to-face means practicing His Words and forsaking all manners of sinfulness. Having seen Him face to face, it then behooves upon you to shun all forms of hatred, malice, segregation etc., and make sure you love all equally and also practice The Word of God. Read the Golden Text again:

GOLDEN TEXT: ST. MATTHEW 7: 24-25

Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

THE WORD OF GOD SAVES

At a point when a certain woman said to Our Lord Jesus Christ, Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breast, which you sucked, Our Lord Jesus Christ replied her thus:

ST. LUKE 11: 28

"Yea rather, blessed are they that hear The Word of God, and keep it."

Here in The Kingdom, you are blessed with so many things. Your prayers are answered, businesses boom, your sicknesses healed and you are blessed with all your needs. But these things would not profit you anything if you still do not practice The Word of God and have faith in God. Hence, salvation cannot be accorded you.

Irrespective of the positions you are made to acquire here in The Kingdom, in as much as you do not practice The Word of God and have faith in Him, such positions are to no avail. As many as heard The Word of God and did same had ascended to God. For instance, Abraham, Abel, Melchizedek, Enoch, Noah and other prophets of old practiced The Word of God and were elevated. Those who practice The Word of God are accounted worthy and given a place, whereas those who do not practice The Word of God are unworthy and are discarded from The Kingdom of God. Yesterday, I asked my children to read four gospels for me. At the end of reading, I became astonished to realize that the partakers of such gospels still indulge in sins, hatred, quarrelling, fornication, and the like evil deeds. As many as do not wish to practice The Word of God, do not love God neither do they love their lives. That is why things always go haywire with them. It is of immense importance for one to practice The Word of God once you practice The Word of God, you are on top of the world. After all, Christ in our Golden Text said:

"Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock."

Therefore, you have no hope whatsoever if you do not practice The Word of God. It is not good for you to claim to be a Brotherhood of the Cross and Star member yet, you still engage in the deeds, which The Father forbids. In fact it profits you nothing to be recalcitrant not to bow to His Words. For being a rebel, you cannot have peace, salvation or eternal life, but damnation. It is said that a stroke of the cane is enough for the wise. Let those who have ears hear what The Holy Spirit has imparted to the entire world. May God bless His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

FAITH IS ACQUIRED BY HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

First Bible Lesson: Romans 10:17

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by The Word of God.

Second Bible Lesson: John 4:42

And said unto the woman, now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard him ourselves, and know that this is indeed The Christ, The Savior of the World.

Golden Text: Luke 6: 47-48

Whosoever cometh to Me, and heareth My sayings, and doeth them, I will show you to whom he is like: He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock, and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

Brethren that is the theme of our lesson today. This marks the commencement of the Conference of the Leader's Representatives. By right all the Children of God should be present today to listen to this sermon. Many people do not want to come into this Kingdom of God because they do not want to listen to The Word of God. How will you become a Leader's Representative when you have not listened to The Word of God? How will you have faith if you do not listen to the word of God? When the sermon is being preached, you move in and out, you converse; you slumber and sleep, how will you be groomed in the word of God?

YOU CANNOT PREACH WITHOUT FIRST HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Whenever you feel, because of your self-conceitedness and self-aggrandizement, that you are the only right person to preach to others, and that no person has the right to preach to you, you cannot understand The Word of God. A physician cannot heal himself. It is said faith comes from hearing the word, what word? The Word of God. If you do not sit down quietly and in absolute humility and listen to the word of God, tell me how you can understand and preach to others. If you complain to me that your problem is lack of faith, it means that you do not listen to the word of God.

FAITH COMES BY HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

It is said that Abraham had faith. He had faith because he listened to The Word of God and believed in God. It is said Abel believed in God. It is that only he listened to, and complied with The Word of God. It is said: Today if you hear His voice do not harden your hearts. (Hebrews 4:7). As long as you continue to toy with The Word of God, how will you be saved? If you neither surrender yourself to The Word of God, nor wish to listen to The Word of God how can you have faith? That is why it is asked, how shall they believe in Him of whom they

have not heard? (Romans 10:14) faith comes from hearing the word, what word? The word of God. When you listen to the word of God and put it into practice, it means you have faith.

WHOSOEVER BELIEVES IN DIABOLICAL THINGS DOES NOT LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD:

Up till today, a great many of us are still believing in witchery (witchcraft); others still believe in mermaids; others still believe in apparitions; many others still believe in preparation of concoctions. Why do you continue to believe in these diabolical things? It is because you do not listen to The Word of God. But any person who listens to The Word of God, assimilates The Word of God, and believes in The Word of God, will come to the realization that neither witchery (witchcraft), nor mermaid, nor apparition, nor concoction exists. Any person who complains that he has no faith is only betraying himself that he does not listen to The Word of God; neither does he believe in God. And there is nothing else in this world that can save us.

Without faith it is impossible to please God. Any person who has no faith cannot believe in God, neither can he practice the word of God. If you count from Abel till today, you will realize that it is only with faith that you can enter into the kingdom of God.

ABRAHAM OFFERED ISAAC BECAUSE OF HIS FAITH IN HIS GOD

What prompted Abraham to offer Isaac, his only begotten son as a sacrifice? It was faith. What induced Abel to sacrifice his fattest ram to God? It was the faith he had. Why did Moses refuse the son ship of Pharaoh and accepted to suffer for forty years? It was because of his faith in God. What prompted Rahab the harlot, to hide in her house, the two spies who had arrived to inspect the land of Jericho? She was protecting them from the people who pursued them in order to kill them. It was because of her faith in God that eventually when Jericho would be taken by the Israelites, she and her household would be saved. What caused the Mother of Moses to hide Moses and prepare a basket in which to preserve the life of the child in hiding, when King Pharaoh ordered the massacre of the innocent male children? It was her faith in God.

PAYMENT OF THE TITHE DEPENDS ON FAITH

You will notice that without faith your regular attendance at worship is nothing. There are certain people in the world who have never known nor heard anything about tithe payment, free will offering and charity, and they have never offered any of these. And The Voice of God reached the inhabitants of the world: "Even from the days of your fathers you were gone away from my ordinances and you have not kept them. Return to me and I will return to you. But you said wherein shall we return? Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed me. But you say wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings. You are therefore cursed with a curse, for you have robbed me even this whole nation. Bring therefore all the

tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my house, and prove me herewith 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 sake, and he will 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. (Malachi 3:7-11) But why is it that you have not paid your tithe and you are not prepared to pay?

There is another person, who has never heard about the payment of tithe, but the day he hears and pays his tithe, he has expressed faith in his God. Faith does not consist in regular attendance at worship where you engage in arguments and disputing. When you are rebuked for committing sin, you question what sin you have committed. It means you do not believe in God.

These are the types of people whom Our Lord Jesus Christ referred to as people, who have eyes but cannot see, they have ears but cannot hear, and they have hearts but they cannot perceive.

FAITH WORKS ETERNAL LIFE

There is no other way in which you can serve God without having faith through hearing The Word of God. No person can love God without faith. No person can have hope without faith. No person can have faith without hearing the word of God. You are told that God is in your heart and you should kneel down and call upon the name of God and he will answer you, and if you comply accordingly, you will certainly be answered. If you abide by the instructions that you should not steal and that you should not tell lies, it means you have faith. You are told not to fornicate and not to drink any type of liquor and if you obey, because of your faith expressed in your obedience, you will have eternal life. Whosoever listens to The Word of God and fails to comply with the advice therein, is a child of perdition. You are waiting for our lord Jesus Christ to come down from the sky. What else do you want him to do? When our lord Jesus Christ came during his last advent, how many people believed in him? Who is speaking now, is he not our lord Jesus Christ? And he asked: why call you me lord, lord and do not the things which I say. (Luke 6:46) do you think that if people were to listen to our lord Jesus Christ, they would have perished?

LACK OF FAITH WORKS PROBLEMS

He says whosoever rejects me and refuses to accept My Word, I do not judge him but the words he has refused will judge him in the last day. All the punishments besetting the world are due to people's unbelief, and due to their lack of faith. Whatsoever encumbrances and difficulties that beset you are due to your lack of faith. But you argue that you cannot believe until you see.

Have you ever seen the word? And have you ever touched the word? Our Lord Jesus Christ says blessed is he who has not seen and yet has believed. Right now your trouble is that when you come before God you do not listen to The Word of God. You neither want to listen nor practice The Word of God preached to you. What then is your faith? There is no other thing that can save you except faith.

Where does faith emanate? From listening to the word of God. All those who are here but previously did not believe in God, they were sick and unemployed as well as being fearful, the moment they listen attentively to these words of God and believe fervently in the words they are saved and all their problems solved. This is so because Peter cast his net throughout the night but could not catch any fish. But when he met Our Lord Jesus Christ, He commanded Peter to cast his net and launch in the deep for a draught. And Peter argued: "Master we have toiled all night and had caught nothing, nevertheless at Thy Word, I will let down the net." When he had done that he enclosed a great multitude of fishes and his net began to break. If you had been Peter you would have engaged in a long drawn argument that you have toiled all night without catching any fish and that you were not prepared to cast the net again.

OBEDIENCE IS BETTER THAN SACRIFICE

The same thing happened to Naaman the leaper when Elisha told him to go to the River Jordan and wash there seven times but he argued that even at that time he was returning from washing in the Jordan River but his servant told him, "My father, if the prophet had bid you do some great thing would you not have done it? How much rather than when he said to you wash and be clean?" Then the servant said, "Suffer it now, Naaman then went to the Jordan River, washed and was completely cleansed. Can you realize now that there is no faith apart from the word of God? When you are told not to sin again, and you accept it and comply with the instructions, when you are told that apparition, witchery, concoction and ghost do not exist and you accept and believe that they do not exist. I declare from the high heaven that there is no witchcraft, but you sit and make counter-declaration that there are wizards and witches everywhere and that people should not mind me. You strongly believe in the existence of witchery but that the wizards can no longer harm you. It is not only shameful but disgraceful, in with regard to such person with these beliefs. Do you think if you do not believe in the word of God you will have salvation?

THE WORD OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Do not say within your heart who shall ascend into heaven to bring Our Lord Jesus Christ from above, or who shall descend into the deep or hades to bring up Our Lord Jesus Christ again from the dead. What has righteousness said? It says: The Word is nearer to you, even in your mouth, and in your heart, that is the word of faith, which we preach. For if you

will confess with your mouth The Lord Jesus Christ and shall believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. The First Lesson will now be read.

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: ROMANS 10:17

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing the word of God.

DO NOT DOUBT GOD AND DO NOT SIN

Brethren, have you heard what is read to you. The words you hear now can vividly be confirmed by Christ Student Ime Akpakpan. He is my witness. He stood here and complained that he was worried by wizard and witches and I halted him immediately, to nib his contemplation in the bud. I told him witchcraft does not exist. From that day on, after hearing The Word of The Father, he no longer believes in the existence of witchery. If you tell him that somebody is worried by witchcraft and mermaid, he will laugh at you to scorn, for faith comes from The Word. What word? The Word of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Every day you are told that there is no witchcraft, no apparition, no mermaid but you continue to complain that you are bewitched. You are making this complaint because you do not hear The Word of God; neither do you believe in Christ. You are warned not to doubt your God and not to fornicate, but you still doubt God and you fornicate. This is because you do not hear The Word of God and you do not believe in God, how will you be saved? Realize that those who do not hear The Word of God, and are not prepared to practice it are the children of perdition. There is nothing that can save man from this adulterous world except the word of God. Faith is the substance of things hoped for the evidence of things not seen:

Remember that the Samaritans did not possess The Holy Spirit. But when the Samaritan woman told them about Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Messiah, and when Our Lord Jesus Christ met the Samaritans what did they say?

The Holy Oil cannot give you faith, you can drink any quantity of the oil, and it will not give you faith. What is referred to as faith is the word of God, the word of our lord Jesus Christ. If you believe, assimilate, and practice the words of God, then you have faith. All that you see physically cannot be faith. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen and yet you believe. What is the evidence of things not seen? It is only the word of our lord Jesus Christ.

TO BELIEVE IS TO BE SAVED

You have been told that God is now on earth but you still gaze at the sky. You are told that our lord Jesus Christ indwells you, he is in your house, and that he is everywhere, but you do not believe unless you see him physically. All those who believe fervently in these words are saved. Do not believe that money can give you faith, or that man can bestow faith on you. It is only the word of God that can endow any person with faith. What is causing trouble and

confusion in the world is lack of belief in The Word of God. And it is only believing in the word of God that will make this world a perfect place for all. For it is fulfilled in every one according to the proportion of faith he possesses. When those two spies were sent to Jericho to spy and return to give their report, if they had no faith in their God, the children of Israel would not have made any attempt to go to Jericho. But when one was giving the report subjectively, the other discouraged him and gave a report such that would minister faith to the hearers. Now if somebody tells you that you are worried by witchcraft, you believe and become weak. If you are told you are dying, you believe and die also. But if you are told that you will live eternally, you begin to argue that even Our Lord Jesus Christ did not live eternally, and that no person has eternal life. As you begin to fear death and so you die, who is to blame? If you are told that you will no longer be sick, you start to argue that you have been sick from birth; that you always suffer from malaria. I am taking you up and you are dragging yourself down. Can you realize that you have no faith?

Every time you require the father to place his hands on your head or touch your head. How is that beneficial to you? I want to touch the hem of your garment." of what use is that to you? Or you ask for the thick, white oil, what is the use of it to you? Or I want to have private audience with the father.

Why is that necessary? Faith comes through hearing the word, what word? The word of our lord Jesus Christ. And that is why you are invited to hear this gospel. When you hear that there is no witchcraft, no mermaid, no apparition, no concoction, and that nothing can kill any person, and you believe fervently, it means you believe and you are free. But when you are told to go, your infirmity is healed, your poverty is taken away and all your problems are solved, someone will surreptitiously advise you not to listen because God helps those who help themselves. There is someone somewhere who consults oracles very well and he will dictate what your trouble is, with a view to solving it, and if you disobey the instructions of God and follow him, does this behavior of yours show you have faith?

DO NOT TOY WITH THE WORD OF GOD

Who do you think is responsible for all the wonderful work you witness here? It is said, in the beginning was the word, the word was with God, and the word was God. It is the word that has done everything in the world. Do not toy with the word of God. Always come to listen to the word of God; and any gospel you hear, assimilate, comply yourself with it and practice it.

HEAR THE WORDS OF GOD AND PREACH TO OTHERS

This Gospel is not meant for only you. But what you have heard, preach to others who are not as fortunate as yourself, and as many as will listen to The Word you impart to them will also have life. Our Lord Jesus Christ was using earthly situations to illustrate heavenly

situations. The five loaves of bread which our lord Jesus Christ used to feed five thousand persons, were not bread per se, (mark 6:37-43/ Luke 9:13-17) but symbolized the word of God. Because after they have eaten to their fill, there were gathered up twelve baskets of the fragments that remained. That is to say after you have heard that apparition, juju, concoction, witchcraft are not in existence, and that only God exists, and you believe and you are satisfied that you are saved, you will then go and impart such a belief to those who still believe in such diabolical things. It is always a pitiful situation to observe that those who profess to be real Brotherhood when they go to receive The Father's blessing, after The Father had blessed them with prayers and has told them, "Go, all is well," they will still sit back and want to see The Father privately. The gospel says faith comes by hearing the word, what word?

The word of Christ. All those who always want to see the father privately do not hear the word of God and therefore they have no faith. That is why Our Lord Jesus Christ says the Children of God hear The Word of God but you do not hear because you are of the world. (John 8:47) The Word of God is like a lamp set upon a hill, which cast its brightness to the surrounding areas.

LISTEN TO THE WORDS OF GOD AND BELIEVE IN THEM

Even though you do not hear The Word of God yet someone who is outside this Hall, who believes and puts these words into practice is saved. But you shall remain here for years without complying yourself with any instructions of The Gospel as given. Right now a great many of people have repented of their sins having heard these gospels and read even one of our pamphlets, but you remain here for many years, indulging in all acts of sin, which means that you neither hear The Word of God nor do you have faith. From this year onward, it is incumbent upon the children of God to hear the words of God. Whosoever hears the words of God has faith. Always open your ears and listen to the word of God preached to you, give full concentration, empty your heart, open your ears and eyes and always focus your attention on the gospel, the gospel which is being delivered to you. It does not matter whether you have the ability to practice the gospel but you must first sit down quietly and listen to the sermon preached. During the sermon, everybody should sit in absolute humility to receive the word of God. During such an occasion do not converse with any person, do not make any inquiry, and do not move about and do not move in and out of the building, and do not disturb others; but always listen to the word of God attentively. Concentrate your attention on the father and receive the word of life. This is faith and faith comes from hearing the word of God.

IT IS BETTER TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD THAN TO SERVE TABLES

Do you remember the story of Martha and her sister Mary? When Our Lord Jesus Christ visited them at their house and Mary sat at the feet of Christ hearing The Word of God.

Martha was encumbered about with much serving, seeking and preparing food, which the visitors would eat. She abandoned The Word of God but engaged herself in finding food for The Lord. In spite of this she was very much exasperated with her sister since she was serving alone and so she went to Our Lord Jesus Christ and said, "Lord do you not care that my sister has left me alone to serve in the kitchen? Bid her therefore to come and assist me." Our Lord Jesus Christ called her, "Martha, Martha, you are careful and troubled about many things, but one thing is needful and Mary has chosen that good part which shall not be taken away from her." (Luke 10:38-42)

From that time on, have you heard anything about Martha? It is only Mary that you always hear about. She was the person who attended with the Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ during the crucifixion while the name of Martha is lost in oblivion and sank in the limbo of time. Who visited the sepulcher, it was Mary. Who went to the sepulcher on the resurrection morning? It was Mary. It is very expedient for everyone to hear the word of God. If you have not been able to do any other thing or practice the gospel of God in the past, from this Pentecostal period, listen to all the gospels of God. Do not ask why, and do not argue, do not bandy words with any person because of the gospel, do not sleep and do not converse. But whether or not you are able to practice the gospel is one thing, but the first requirement is that you should first of all listen to the word of God. When the word of God falls on the ground it breaks the mighty stones but when it rises up, it perfects his will. The Second Lesson will now be read. Listen attentively; open your ears and hearts. Those who are sleeping and dozing should wake up and listen to the lesson.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: JOHN 4:42

And said unto the woman, now we believe not because of thy sayings: for we have heard Him ourselves and we know that this is indeed The Christ, The Savior of the world.

Brethren have you heard that? When you pray to God to heal the infirmities of a person so that he may believe in you, does it mean that if his sickness is healed he will believe in God? Or you pray that God should make the barren woman to be pregnant so that she may believe God. What evidence do you have that when she is pregnant she will believe in God?

I WAS BLIND NOW I SEE

Why did that blind man not believe in Our Lord Jesus Christ? This man was blind from his birth, but when he was told to go and wash in the pool of Siloam so that his sight may be restored to him, why did he not believe and carry out the directive? Our Lord Jesus Christ spoke, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the eyes of the blind man and told him to go and wash in the pool of Siloam. When he washed, he received his sight. When the Jews saw that he had received his sight, they asked him, "How were your eyes opened?" He told them a man who was called Jesus Christ healed him. They further asked him how he was cured. He told them that the man called Jesus made clay and anointed his eyes

and ordered him to go to the pool of Siloam to wash, and when he washed he received his sight. They asked him where He was, and he could not answer, but they accused Our Lord Jesus Christ of not being from God because He did not keep the Sabbath Day. Others questioned how a sinner could perform such a miracle, and there was division among them. However after they had uttered many blasphemous words against Our Lord Jesus Christ, and a prolonged argument between the Jews on one hand and the blind man and his parents on the other, they called the man who was blind and told him to give God the praise for, "We know that this man is a sinner." He answered and said. "Whether a sinner or not I know not: one thing I know is that whereas I was blind now I see." (John 9:1-25)

POSSESSION OF FAITH REQUIRES NO CONDITION

They asked him again: What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes? He retorted, "I have already told you and you did not hear wherefore would you hear again? Will you also be His disciples? Then they reviled him, saying, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples." They told him further that they know Moses because God spoke unto Moses, as for this fellow, we know not from when He is. Then the man answered them: Why herein is a marvelous thing that you know not from whence He is and yet He had opened my eyes. Now we know that God heareth not sinners, but if any man be a worshipper of God and he does His will, him will He hear. They drove him away saying, "You were altogether born in sin and do you teach us?" (John 9:26-34)

When Our Lord Jesus Christ heard that he was cast out, and when He found him, even though he could no longer recognize Our Lord Jesus Christ, He asked him, "do you believe in The Son of God?" From this you will realize that faith comes from hearing The Word, which word, The Word of Our Lord Jesus Christ, The Word of God. If you induce somebody with money, he will not have faith that will not make him have faith. There is nothing that you can do to anybody to have faith, but if you preach the word of God to him and he hears the word, he will have faith.

DO YOU BELIEVE IN THE SON OF GOD?

Our Lord Jesus then asked the man who was blind whether he believes in The Son of God. He answered saying, "Who is The Son of God that I may believe in Him? It is not surprising that The Lord who caused him to receive his sight was right before him yet he could not recognize Christ, and he asked Christ, "who is The Son of God so that I should believe in Him?" (John 9:35-36) Your argument that if you pray for the sick to recover, he will worship God, as his Father is not tenable at all. Our Lord Jesus Christ told him you have both seen him, and I standing here am he. The man then acknowledged that he believed in Him, and then worshipped Him. The action of making him receive his sight did not make him know and worship God. (John 9:37-38) Whether healing a person of his infirmities, or having

a long life does not prompt any person to know and worship God, but rather when you hear the words proceeding out of the mouth of God and you believe fervently in the words, you will have faith.

HE IS CHRIST THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD

If you pray to God to open your eyes that you will believe in Him, even if He opens your eyes you will not believe in Him. When you are lame, you pray to God that should He make it possible for you to walk in your life, you will believe in Him. If He makes you walk and even run, you will still not believe in Him except you are destined to believe in Him. When you have a very difficult case in the court and you plead with God that if He caused you to win the case, you will believe in Him if you win the case that will not make you believe in Him. The first group of people who sought to kill Our Lord Jesus Christ were those who were healed by Him. They did that because they did not hear the word of God, neither did they believe in God.

You cannot stand firm in this kingdom of God if you do not hear the word of God. You have heard what has been read to you. It is said that the Samaritan woman went into the village, leaving her pot, and told the people "to come and see The Man who has told me all things that I ever did". Is not this The Christ? But when they went out of the city and saw Our Lord Jesus Christ they testified saying, "Woman, now we believe, not because of your sayings for we heard Him ourselves and know that this is indeed The Christ, the savior of the world.

THOU SHALT NOT TEMPT THE LORD YOUR GOD

When you preach The Word to somebody and he neither listens to you nor believes in you, it means he does not believe in you. Somebody has given you a condition that if you build a house for him then he will believe in God, if you build that house for him he will not believe in God. A woman says if you wed her in the church, she will believe in God and serve Him devotedly and diligently, even if you wed inside the church, inside water, or in the hades, she will not believe in God. Somebody argues that if he will never be sick again, if his children no longer die, if he has money, and he will no longer be poor and wretched, and if everything will be well with him, even if he is in the most excellent condition of life, he will not believe in God. Whenever The Word Of God Is Lacking, Then Faith Also Is Lacking. The Reason The Entire World Is Lacking In Faith Is That They Are Found Wanting In The Words Of God, How Can They Have Peace? How can they call Him in whom they have not believed? How can 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? (Rom 10:14-15). If Our Lord Jesus Christ did not go to the Samaritans to preach to them, how would they have heard and believed in God? Now that He has gone to preach to them this is the reason for their declaration: woman, now we believe not because of your saying for we have heard him ourselves and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the savior of the world.

A TREE IS KNOWN BY ITS FRUITS

Have you been told that He made bread for them? Have you been told that He healed their infirmities? Have you heard that He prepared food for them or that He gave them fishes? But you are told that He imparted The Word of God and they listened attentively to The Word of God and from there they believed in Him. Do not start looking for God anywhere else. You are asking questions as to what He is, how He could be described, how He should be regarded. These questions arise because you do not believe in Him. It is said a tree is known by its fruits.

You can determine what a person is through the words he speaks, for by their words ye shall know them. You can identify Satan by the words he speaks, in the same token you can identify a child of God from the word he speaks. Without the word it will be impossible to know God. And what is called faith, is hearing the words, which words? The word of God. That was why our lord Jesus Christ commissioned his disciples to go and preach the word of God to people and whosoever believes and is baptized is saved, but whoever does not believe will be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe in my name. In my name they shall cast out devils; they shall speak in new tongues and they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. (Mark 16:15-18).

THOSE WHO LOVE GOD WILL KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS

Who are those who believe? They are those who hear The Word of God, and through hearing The Word they believe. When you are told to knock you head on the ground and converse with your God and you do the same then you believe. As soon as you leave this Hall, a visioner will tell you that apparition and witchcraft are worrying you, and you accept what he tells you because you do not believe in God. Somebody comes to tell you that something is moving in your body and that he knows the person who will remove it, because it was put there by wizards, and you believe and go to tell your wife that you had already told her that something hidden was responsible for your waist pains. A man can enslave himself to whatsoever he has yielded himself to. You confess that you believed in the preparation of concoction, but you are no more influenced by it. But if you were to believe in the almighty God, you would have loved and kept his commandments.

IF YOU REJECT GOD YOU WILL ACCEPT SATAN

It is a truism that nothing diabolical exists, whether charm or talisman or concoction, whether ghost or even man. The only thing that exists is Our Jehovah God and His Christ. It is a surprising thing that a visioner should deceive you even right here and he tells you he has

seen the witchcraft field and he demands two thousand naira from you because your house has been completely sold to wizards.

Does it mean that the visioner cannot be harmed by wizards and witches? It is what has been predestined for you because you have refused the wisdom of truth in order to be saved, for this reason, God therefore sent you strong delusions to believe a lie and perish. (2 Thessalonians 2:11-12) All those who continue to complain that they are deceived, that they are defrauded, that they are deceived into building a house for somebody, do so because they were destined to do those things because they have refused to accept The Word of God and have life.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO PREACH THE WORD OF GOD

It is said that you should remember them, which have rule over you, who have spoken The Word of God unto you. In your own case you only remember the person who gives you vision that you are worried by witchcraft and that your wife seeks a way of killing you and you believe in him, that is why you bestow all your wealth on him. Do you realize that all visioners who see ghosts and wizards are unbelievers and enemies of God? All those who in their dreams see how a person is killed, or a coffin, are witnesses of Satan. All those who teach and preach about the existence of witchcraft, apparition, mermaid and concoction and that God helps those who help themselves are agents of Satan. Any person who threatens you that he is in the sun, in the moon, in the sea, or that he belongs to any secret society and that he has been attending meetings in India or has been doing one thing or the other is a messenger of Satan, and there is nothing in him. Any person who comes to threaten you that he is a murderer and that he has been killing people and will kill you also leave him alone for he is an agent of Satan.

If anybody tells you that he is a wizard, that he has killed all his children and his brothers and his relations and he will kill you through his witchcraft also, what he is saying is a lie, for he is a demented fellow. I have warned you that there is nothing called preparation of concoction, witchcraft, mermaid, and apparition, charms which exist; only Jehovah God and his Christ exists.

YOU COMPLAIN BECAUSE YOU DO NOT HAVE THE WORDS OF GOD

Wizards do not worry you, apparition does not worry you, mermaid does not worry you, human beings do not worry you, preparation of concoction or charm does not worry you, but what really worries you is your unbelief. **Your lack of hearing the word of God is your problem.** Why do you continue to acclaim that which does not exist? Feel your pulses and the pressure in your bodies if there has not been a lot of improvements in your bodies. Those who were sick, those who have been complaining about witchcraft, mermaid, and

apparition, preparation of concoction and other problems, all such complaints have subsided completely. When you complain that your business has liquidated, for lack of honest partners; that your wife has eloped with another man, that your children are sickly, that you are jobless, that you are very sick and weak, and that you have no money, you have marshaled all these complaints because you do not have The Word of God. The Golden Text will now be read.

GOLDEN TEXT: LUKE 6:47-48

Whosoever cometh to Me, and heareth My sayings, and doeth them I will show you whom he is like: He is like that man which built an house and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

A MAN WHO HAS THE WORD OF GOD IS LIKE A HOUSE BUILT UPON A HILL

Brethren, hear what is read to you. It is said faith comes by hearing The Word of Our Lord Jesus Christ. He says anyone who follows me and listens to my words, assimilates the words, and practices them, I will show you whom he is like: he is like a man who builds his house upon a rock and when the rains descends, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon that house, it did not fall, for it was founded upon a rock. Whosoever does hear The Word of God and believes, will not complain that he is worried by witchcraft, by mermaid, by apparition, sickness, poverty, hardship, none of these things will worry him, and he will be very courageous because he has been well-ballasted as if founded on a rock.

Even if you want to tie him, or fire at him with a gun or with an automatic rifle, or a jet bomber, or to put him into fire, or to throw him inside the sea, he will not be perturbed because he has been well groomed with The Word of God. Why should he fear when he knows that the God he worships is omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient? We have a spiritual chorus, which says, "I have put on Christ, I have earnest hope, no matter the condition of the wind, the stone will not be moved, for we are saved." any person who listens to the word of God, believes in it and has faith in it, has no problems at all. He is saved if he practices the word of God. Such a person has no complaint whether about the rain, or sun, about sickness, or death, poverty or hardship, hatred or persecution, worries from apparition, or mermaid or witchcraft or preparation of concoction. He has no problems because he has overcome everything.

GOD PROMISED THAT HE WILL NOT FORSAKE US NOR WILL HE FAIL US

But in your own case, you do not want to listen to The Word of God, you do not want to listen to His Teachings, you do not believe in God and you do not want to practice The Word of God. What then are you going to preach to the people? And so, Brethren as we are here the purpose is that you may receive the word of God and be saved. You must therefore open your

ears and eyes and hearts. Do not sleep; but listen to The Words of God. Concentrate on these words so that you may have life.

Whether you have a house to live in or not, whether you have money with which to maintain yourself or not, whether you are sick or well, whether you have problems or not, whether you are beset with difficulties or persecution, or sickness or any encumbrances, forget about them and focus your full attention on The Word of God; assimilate, practice and have life. He has promised that in the midst of any temptation, He will provide a way of escape that you may be able to bear the temptation. It is said God knows how to deliver the Godly out of temptation and to reserve the unjust unto the Day of Judgment to be punished. (Romans 3:5-8). And He has promised that He will never fail you nor forsake you. Those who believe fervently in His words have no problems.

WITHOUT THE WORD OF GOD THERE IS NOTHING MADE THAT WAS MADE

If you regard God's business as your business, he will also regard your business as his business. Heaven and earth will pass away, but The Word of God will never pass away until all are consummated. (Matthew 5:18) He has promised us eternal life, peace, and joy, we are therefore not left comfortless as orphans are. That is why I say that it is incumbent upon you to, from now on, to practice The Word of Christ. As soon as you hear the gospel touching down, you should put it into practice. Can you realize that if it were not so, something would happen? What happened in 1977? Those who were not firm in faith and did not believe fervently in The Word of God had their soutanes burnt; and they withdrew completely, while others backslid. But in your own case because you are firm in The Words of God, instead of withdrawing or backsliding, you rather stood firm and increased from strength to strength. People realized the power and strength of God. I am telling you that money could not have done this work even though you complain that you have no money to do The Work of God. The work in this Kingdom could not be accomplished with money. It neither requires houses nor television nor any other type of thing. It requires only one thing and that is the word of God. Life emanates from him, faith comes from him and all the virtues of God emanate from him. Faith comes from him, and all the virtues of God emanate from the word of God.

Without the word of God there is nothing made that was made. Put on the word of God as an armor and breast plate. Any day you do not listen to the word of God you have lost a great deal. There is an adage, which says markets do not pass a man but the word passes. Once the word of God is spoken it will come to pass, and will last forever. We should always regard the word of God as our duty and our bonafide property.

Brethren, I do not wish to be tedious unto you, one stroke of the cane is sufficient for the wise. Those who have ears let them hear. May God Bless His Holy Words. Amen

THANK YOU FATHER

MERCY: THE SOURCE OF SALVATION

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 5:7

Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 18:35

So likewise shall my Heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not everyone his brother their trespasses.

GOLDEN TEXT: JAMES 2:13

For he shall have judgment without mercy that hath showed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.

BE MERCIFUL TO ONE ANOTHER

Brethren it is said that the downfall of man emanates from his works and ways. Inasmuch as you are not merciful unto your fellow man, then do not expect to obtain mercy. **So long as you are not merciful, you have completely perished.** I do not say you will perish but you have already perished. Be it a little child, so long as you refuse to be merciful unto this child, if you refuse to forgive his trespasses, then you should completely count yourself out because you shall obtain none of these from others.

It is beneficial for one to come in here in humility, and digest the words given here and get them stamped in one's mind. Be you a millionaire, a father, mother, adult or a child, ponder seriously over this gospel. Do not allow yourself to be misled or deceived by anybody that you will be saved if you do not practice this gospel. Therefore, from this moment, forgive those who trespass against you, do not be merciless towards your fellow man, do not impute sins against anyone but **be forgiving at all times.**

This gospel can save you and create a lot of wonderful things in your life. It is on this note that you are seriously advised to practice it. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but not an iota of the words of God shall pass away unfulfilled (**Matt 5:18**). It is said that blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy. Henceforth if you decide to be merciful and forgiving unto one another, then you should consider yourself saved.

But if you refuse to forgive but you rather revenge the wrong done against you, then believe that you have already perished. **Inasmuch as you are not merciful unto your brethren, you can never obtain mercy from God.**

There is no other way of getting to God aside from practicing this gospel. The Israelites

preferred to be guided by the law, hence they all derailed from the path of rectitude and consequently they perished. But the Publicans who had no law binding them, acted on what they felt was righteous and they were accordingly saved. If you are in the habit of forgiving one another, not imputing sins on others, be you learned or not, baptized or not, you stand to be saved. This statement that heaven helps those who help themselves is here explained. All those who are merciful unto others bring salvation unto themselves. All those who are not merciful however bring condemnation unto themselves. A wise man sees danger afar and takes precaution, but a stupid man waits till the danger gets to him. You must, through this gospel, be cautious. Let this be your source of salvation.

NO RIGHTEOUS MAN ON EARTH

I am now telling you the whole truth in heaven and on earth that the only set of people who shall escape the wrath of God are those who practice The Word of God. If you see two or three persons in this Kingdom who are saved, then know that they are those who have adhered to this gospel. The scriptures have clearly stated that there is no righteous person on earth. If you read through **Romans Chapter 3: 10-11:**

"As it is written, there is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God." You will realize that right from the days of Adam to this present age, there is no righteous one. We have all derailed from the path of rectitude. I want you to imagine how we can be saved if He, out of His infinite mercy, does not forgive our sins. Just as the sand is not without particles, so is man not without sin. This is what the statement that we are saved by grace implies.

If you refrain from all manner of sins like stealing, killing, etc., yet you are not merciful and forgiving, you have perished. If you fast for a number of days, pray all through your life, such does not save you. But once you are forgiving and merciful, you stand to be saved. No man on earth possesses this wisdom. It is only God who has this wisdom. As long as you do not forgive others, you have perished. If you need to be saved, forgive all forms of sin and receive your salvation. The scripture advises that if we confess our sins, God has the right to forgive and cleanse us of these sins (**1 John 1:9**), but if we do not confess them He will not forgive us. A lot of us face great tribulations because we do not forgive others their trespasses, neither are we merciful.

A lot of you ponder why certain tribulations should come your way; you believe that you have never stolen, killed, told a lie, yet you face different kinds of problems. Search yourself properly if there is any of your brethren who has offended you, and whose trespass you have refused to forgive. If there is any such, then quickly forgive such a person and obtain your salvation. If you decide to be merciful and forgiving, it is all to your own benefit. This is because when you do this, you stand to be saved. When you lack mercy and

forgiveness, you cannot harm another person but rather, you harm yourself, because you stand to be condemned.

Judgment has started for quite a long time now. Thus, after reading this gospel, do not harden your hearts against your offender any more. Henceforth, do not impute sins against your fellow man, forgive others their trespasses, and be merciful, for in so doing, you obtain mercy, in The Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen. If you are not merciful unto others, you cannot gain entrance into The Kingdom of God, and you stand condemned. With what would you be saved? It is out of the infinite mercy of God that man is saved; for right from the days of Adam to this very day, there is no just man on earth. But through the mercy of God, we have been saved. None deserves the goodness of God because of our unrighteousness. For this reason, Christ did advise that we should be merciful and compassionate to one another, just as He is with us. Re-examine the First Lesson.

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 5:7

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

IMPUTE NO SIN ON ANOTHER

Let this gospel be very precious to you. If we should print these words in our hearts, we would realize that we would have no problems in life. Impute no sin on another. This was the reason why Our Lord Jesus Christ advised that if one should strike you on one cheek, you should not fight back, but rather, you should turn the other cheek for the person to strike. If you are asked to walk a mile, you should walk two. Allow the evildoer to have his way for it is for your own good. **(Matt 5:38-41)**

Be merciful unto others just as God has been merciful unto you. Show mercy unto your fellow man, being that you are also a man. Be merciful unto others and do not count sins against others. Do not begrudge one another, do not quarrel, do not get angry and bear no false witness against others. In whatsoever you embark upon doing, first think of how beneficial it will be unto you. Know fully well that there is nothing you can give in replacement for your soul for inasmuch as you are not merciful unto others your soul is perished. All the evil vices, which you commit, bring tribulation to you.

THE CAUSE OF YOUR PROBLEMS

All the problems we face affect the spirit, for the flesh has no problem. And you encounter problems because you are unforgiving. If you are truly seeking for salvation, then you must always forgive others their trespasses against you. Have you not realized that so long as you do not forgive others their trespasses, you can never be forgiven? This is the sole cause of all the problems you encounter. This is why we cannot excel in our endeavors. We

are merciless and unforgiving. In one of our spiritual choruses, it is asked, how do I cross the river? The answer is that you should love all your neighbors, for if you do this, you shall definitely cross the river. Forgive one another's trespasses, no matter how minute or great the incident may be, try to forgive and you shall surely cross the river.

I am filled with pity for the Churches, Lawyers, Judges, Government Officials, Herbalists, and all sorts of people who lack mercy and forgiveness. Do you recall what Our Lord Jesus Christ said to the Pharisees when the disciples ate raw corn from someone's field on a Sabbath Day? The Pharisees questioned Him why His disciples should do such, He replied them saying, "Have ye not read what David did when he was an hungered, and they that were with him, how he entered into the House of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priest? Or have ye not read in the law, how that on the Sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath, and are blameless? But I say unto you that in this place is one greater than the temple. But if ye had known what this meaneth, I will have mercy and not sacrifice; ye would not have condemned the guiltless. For The Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath Day." (**Matt 12:1-8**).

Like Christ I seek not after sacrifices, but after mercy. Have you not come to this realization that all that God requires is mercy? Be merciful and you shall obtain mercy. Have mercy for one another just as God has mercy on you. You profess to be a Brotherhood, why then do you lack mercy? Someone would approach you that he has just been retrenched from work and he cries out his whole heart to you, yet you refuse to be merciful to the person saying that you have to feed yourself and your family. Then I want to assure you that if you do this, your life is finished. What shall it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his soul in hell? (**Matt 16:26**)

Judgment has now started. You claim to be Obu's child, yet you do not have mercy on one another. If of a truth you are Obu's child, and you have mercy on one another, you are free; then shall salvation come to you. Do not come in here to seek for money, child, husband, or wife. Come with the aim of listening to the gospels, and putting them into practice. Staying in Brotherhood for a thousand and one days means nothing. As long as you cannot practice the gospel, all your years are to no avail. Opting out of this fold is of no benefit to you so long as you do not practice the gospel. Re-examine the Second Lesson.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 18:35

So likewise shall my Heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not everyone his brother their trespasses.

THE KEY OF LIFE AND DEATH

Brethren, the above reveals the key of life and death. Inasmuch as you do not forgive or show mercy to one another, you cannot obtain mercy, neither can your trespasses be forgiven by God. The teachings, which you receive, can never be found anywhere, the world over. Therefore, we should try to practice these teachings so that it may be well with us. I did tell you about a Bishop who had very many churches. I want to use this case to illustrate the earthly situations so that you may really understand this gospel. The Bishop married very many wives, and at a certain time, one of his adherents committed adultery with one of his wives. The Bishop, on discovery, vowed never to forgive the man. After a while, the Bishop passed on to the world beyond. There he came across the way that leads to heaven and hell. As a Bishop, he moved to the gate of heaven, and he was told to go to hell. He introduced himself as a Bishop but he was told that he was not fit to be a Bishop. He was reminded of how he was unforgiving on earth. He was further told that if he so desired to go to heaven, he should return to the earth and settle all problems with his adversaries. He was given a period of twenty-one days (three weeks) to accomplish that task, after which he would return to the world beyond and proceed to heaven.

He was returned to earth where he settled all his problems with every person. He forgave all his adversaries, even the man who committed adultery with his wife. He pardoned those whom he had excommunicated. Shortly after that the Bishop finally passed away and he was allowed into God's Kingdom. A very similar case is that of Lazarus and a certain rich man as recorded in **Luke 16:19-31**. Now do not wait for anybody to tell you to forsake sin, be merciful and forgiving. You should realize the need for doing these; they are the source of salvation. However, after reading this gospel, if you still harden your heart, refusing to be merciful and forgiving, if you perish, your blood shall be on you.

HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART

In the days of Our Lord Jesus Christ, after each sermon, He was always saying that those who have ears should hear. The question is, how many people have ears? A lot of people who had passed away have come back, like the Bishop, to tell you what you are expected to do yet you still harden your heart. What then shall be your excuse as you lose your soul? You have been told clearly that as long as you do not forgive one another's trespasses, and you are not merciful to one another, you shall equally obtain no mercy on the last day.

There was a man in Port Harcourt who portrayed himself as God. When he died, he sent a message to the President of the Women's Association of his church that she should instruct all the members to get baptized in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, for in the other world, it is only those who are baptized into Brotherhood who have peace. That Brotherhood of the Cross and Star members are ever dancing, singing and rejoicing, all robed in immaculate

white. That she should hasten up and pass the message across to the members of his church because he was seriously tormented.

But this woman, considering her position as the president of the Women's Association in her denomination, made up her mind not to relay the message to the congregation. Not quite long after she made up her mind, she was visited by a very serious illness. And again, the man appeared to her and told her that if she did not hasten up to deliver the message, she would die of the illness. Fortunately for her, some Brotherhood members in the area sent a letter to the people of that place that they would be visiting the village and so she used that opportunity to inform the members of her revelation. That very day, when the members of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star visited the area, two hundred and fifty people were baptized.

A lot of you do complain that all through your years in Brotherhood, you have not gained anything. If your claim is true, search your conscience whether you have begrudged your neighbor, whether you have been merciless or unforgiving. If these are true, why then do you receive benefits from God? Does a man of God get angry? Does he pronounce curses on another person? Does he quarrel, frown, fight, or sue another man to court? Does a man of God commit any form of atrocity? In spite of this, God is still very loving towards you. He wants us to have a change of mind so that we may be saved. As you read this gospel, is there anyone whose trespass you have refused to forgive? Is there any with whom you wish to make peace but you cannot because of your pride? Do not be ashamed because Christ did say that whosoever denied Him, same shall He deny before His Father and the angels. Whatsoever sin you have committed, confess it now so that you may be forgiven. Repent from your sins and forgive one another.

We all have clear records with God, starting from the day we were brought out of our mother's womb and from the origin of this world. Everyone has a record, which contains his deeds. Before God, and from that record, we are judged. Search yourself properly from the day you were baptized into Brotherhood, how many sins have you been able to forsake? Have you been merciful and forgiving?

You have been instructed not to lie, steal, fornicate, lament, eat meat and fish, get angry, but to be forgiving. Have you done any of these? Some of you have served some numbers of years here, have you abstained from any sin? This proves the statement that the journey from Egypt to Canaan could not have taken more than two days, but it took the Israelites forty years. Now the world is filled with annoyance. If you are owed, you get angry. If one testifies to the glory of God, you get angry. If your wife is admired by someone else, you get angry. You frown at every little thing and you do not even learn to forgive. The Children of God are very young at heart. When they are wronged, they settle it there and then, and they do not begrudge any person. When you begrudge and keep referring to what people have done against you, are you a child of God? FORGIVE AND FORGET. Forget the past

for we are in the present. Our God is not a God of the past but of present. For this reason He said, "Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy." Our Lord Jesus Christ has said that if you do not forgive others, your trespasses will not be forgiven. If you go through **Matthew 23**, you will have the understanding why He made this statement. Re-examine the Golden Text.

GOLDEN TEXT: JAMES 2:13

For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.

THE NEED TO BE MERCIFUL

Judgment has no mercy on whosoever has no mercy for his brother. Being merciful is the greatest. Whosoever is merciful unto his fellow brother cannot be judged, but whosoever lacks mercy for his brother obtains no mercy during judgment. Do you not realize that with the measure you mete, same shall be measured unto you again? For this reason Our Lord Jesus Christ told Peter to put back his sword in its sheath for he who kills with the sword must surely die by the sword. (**Matt 26:52**)

Whosoever hardens his heart against his brother, must equally not obtain mercy. If you are merciful you shall in turn obtain mercy. Therefore judgment has no mercy on whosoever is not merciful; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment. This is why we are told to be merciful. Brethren, it is said that a stroke of the cane is sufficient unto the wise. Let he who has ears hear what The Holy Spirit has imparted to the world. May God bless His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

SEARCH FOR GOD, BEWARE OF MONEY

FIRST LESSON: LUKE 12:22-23

And He said unto His disciples; therefore I say unto you, take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on. The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment.

SECOND LESSON: LUKE 14:33

So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.

GOLDEN TEXT: LUKE 6:20

And He lifted up His eyes on His disciples, and said, blessed be ye poor: for yours is The Kingdom of God.

Money does not give life. The poor shall inherit The Kingdom of God. We came to the world with nothing and shall return with nothing. You are completely empty without The Spirit of God. If you love money-you are an adulterer and a fornicator. Fasting solves problems. Brotherhood is the last refuge for mankind.

This is a message to the whole world. All material things shall come to an end. If you reject the things of this world, heavenly virtues will be given unto you. The heavenly things are love, patience, meekness, etc., while the things of the world are lies, robbery, quarreling, fighting, etc. The flesh has its own ways, if you do not abide by its ways, you cannot possess material things. If you possess heavenly virtues, you are free from all problems. A rich man who speaks or seeks for the material things cannot inherit The Kingdom of God. Our Lord Jesus Christ confirmed this in the scriptures. Watch carefully, if two persons are at loggerheads or disagreement, it is not for God's Work, but for material things. Man really worships money. When he cannot get this money he resorts to killing, quarreling, telling lies, practicing all vices, etc. People in this group do not joke with money no matter their relationship with you. People like this would always want people to give them and they themselves would not give out the one in their stock. All those that love the material things of the world deserve sympathy because they lack The Holy Spirit. You commit all forms of atrocities simply to get money. A woman becomes a harlot because of money. A man kills for the sake of money. Those that seek for material things cannot do The Work of God in this generation and the generation to come. If you are still thinking of the material wealth you have no share in this Kingdom. If you have The Spirit of God in you, you will realize that you came empty-handed and so will you return. Money in itself does not give life and can never give life.

Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from God. The Spirit of God gives life. It is life. It is everything unto every man. If you go according to His dictates, those things He has, becomes yours. If you devote yourself to The Work of God, you will not have any problem. You will be free and will have everlasting life. Money, land houses, cars, etc., are somebody's properties and they do not have anything to do with God. If you believe in God, He provides everything for you; solves all your problems. All the evils you commit in the world are all for money. **"Trouble not your heart for what ye shall eat. Is life not more important than food? Or not more than raiment?"** It is because of money that you and your soul are lost completely.

If you are given \$10.00 dollars to buy an article, and that article is \$5.00 dollars you will put \$5.00 dollars in your pocket and lie that you bought it for \$10.00 dollars, you have failed since you are carnally minded. God helps you, and you help yourself. How can you help yourself? You bought an item for \$3.00 dollars and sell it for \$10.00 dollars, how would you practice The Word of God? Where is Judas Iscariot today? Where is his position? See a man who was God's treasurer, but for the love of money, he sold Our Lord Jesus Christ only for 30 pieces of silver, in spite of the heavy amount in his treasury. Did he make use of this money? Again Joseph was sold by his brothers to an Egyptian and the money was shared among them. How much was the money? At the end were they not under his control or ruler ship? What were their gains? It is true that you do not know what you lose in looking or searching for these carnal things instead of looking and searching for God. What is the wisdom in committing all the atrocities that God says you should not do? Before man can be saved, today's gospel must be practiced.

If you do The Work of God, there will be no hunger. Have you examined the wordings of the prayer "Give us this day, our daily bread." (Meaning the words of God, not food to eat). If you seek more than the wordings of this prayer, you are a lawbreaker. Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is The Kingdom of Heaven. You that want to be a rich man, have you heard that? I feel sorry for the world because they have left The Ways of God. The flesh does not give life. Whatever position you hold in The Kingdom – Pastor, Christ's Student, Servant, Bishops, Evangelist, etc., if you do not take your mind out of the worldly things you are lost. If you love money you have committed adultery, and the love of God is not in you. If you are not satisfied with the position God has kept you, you have committed fornication. When God tells you that you should not steal, you go and steal and because of disobedience you die, who will spend or enjoy your stolen money? When there was no money, no houses, no garments to put on, no electricity, and all inventions by white brethren, was there no life? Was life not enjoyable? The water is poisonous, light, everything is adulterated. The peace, love, harmony that you want hangs on this gospel. Since we are looking for material things that is why we face problems. Now is the time that everybody will look for God. Anybody that is in spirit does not eat much food. **Food is the worst enemy of man.** If you face any problem immediately you do fasting, that problem must go. **There is nothing fasting cannot do.** Let

us seek for the gospel. **Seek for God, for when you have these virtues you have life.** The things of this world is our hindrance. You do the work of man, so that you have what to eat.

The day that you will be transferred from this world you will have nothing to eat. Brotherhood is your village, your Father and Mother, your Kingdom, hence you have to put all what you have in it, and anything besides this is null and void. The Way of God is not the way of making money or seeking for money. It is not a profit-making venture. Forsake all the material things of the world and follow God, so that you may have eternal life. There are two ways for it. If you want to be clean, be clean, and if you want to be dirty, be dirty. What you like in your life is what kills you. If you do not forsake all what you have, you cannot follow God. God knows our ways, knows everything about you. He wants a person that will do His Work in truth. He does not work by the dictates of man. Work for Him in earnest, at the fullness of time, He will give you all that you need in life. The Kingdom of God belongs to those that are ready to forsake the mundane things of this world. A word is enough for the wise. Let him that has ears hear. May God Bless His Holy words. Amen!

THANK YOU FATHER

IF YOU PRACTICE THE WORD OF GOD, HE WILL DELIVER YOU OUT OF TEMPTATION

First Bible Lesson: Matthew 24:11-12:

And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

Second Bible Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:2:

For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy.

Golden Text: Revelation 3:10:

Because Thou hast kept The Word of My Patience, I also will keep Thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

This is an important sermon. It is very expedient for every person to come here all the time. If you miss my presence for a second, you are eluded of a very important sermon. Don't you realize that this is the time when every person should draw nigh unto God? For if it is so difficult for the Children of God to be saved, what do you think will be the fate of the people of the world? Therefore, every person must hold fast to that which he believes. Having listened to the three lessons, you will comprehend precisely what is transpiring in the world. The Golden Text, however, is what consoles the Children of God. This epitomizes why the Children of God should neither tell lies, nor steal, but they should always be trustworthy. Because what is going on in the world is not a hidden thing but it is what had been prophesied about. It is what Our Lord Jesus Christ had prophesied that at the end of time these things will come to pass. And therefore, there should be no arguments about the events in the world today.

Except the days are shortened, none will be saved (Matthew 24:22) When the disciples asked saying, "Master, but when shall these things be? And what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass?" (Matthew 24:3). He started listing them out. Those signs were written and are kept for our own lessons and remembrance that when you see all these signs manifesting in the world, notwithstanding the circumstances you are put into, you stand firm by your faith. He had made a very far reaching statement when He said, "And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the Elects' sake those days shall be shortened." (Matthew 24:22)

This is something, which had never occurred since God created the earth. Observe the various events taking place in the world. These things have never occurred since the history of the world. Do you not see what is happening? A brother now leads another brother to

death. Have you not observed the prevalence of false prophets in the world? Have you not realized how the love of many has waxed cold? Even within Brotherhood many people have now resigned from doing that which is good claiming that they have so much, been deceived by their brothers. And for that reason they are incapacitated to continue in their well doing.

HOLD FAST TO YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

Would you like to say that all the blasphemies against Brotherhood are relatively new? Or would you like to say that what is happening in various places are new occurrences? Can that now show you that The Word of God remains the same and there is no variableness in Him? When the Children of God read this portion of the Scriptures, they really thank God and hold fast to their uprightness. This is the time that you should hold tenaciously to your righteousness and cling to it very strongly. It is likened to somebody doing overtime at his place of work. You are true witnesses to the fact that if during your ordinary working time, you are paid \$10.00 per hour, when you do any overtime, you will be paid \$20.00 per hour. In the same vein, at this end of time, any person who clings strongly to the truth without indulging in fornication, and falsehood but refraining from all acts of sinfulness, will be paid double because he has worked overtime.

IF YOU PRACTICE THE GOSPEL, GOD WILL KEEP YOU FROM TEMPTATION

It will be an occurrence that you will remain in your house and somebody will tell lies against you. You will walk along the street and somebody will rain blows on you without a cause. You will stay at home and do that which is good unto others and they will repay you with a bad coin. No matter what you do to somebody, such a person will not appreciate it. And you have heard what is read to you: It says, "For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy." And He has promised that: "Because you have kept The Word of my patience, I also will keep you from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth."

BEHOLD THE ERA OF TEMPTATION

Do you not realize the fact that without The Father no person would have been saved? Because there is temptation everywhere, inside your house, inside your room, at your farm, along the streets, inside the church. There is no place you go to, and you will not meet with temptation. Your wife is a stumbling block to you. Your husband is a stumbling block to you.

Your father, or children, or friends, or landlord or tenants have constituted themselves into stumbling blocks unto you. And that is why a spiritual chorus has it that, "If you cling to God, you will always live to be conquerors." I always think of any person who does not draw nigh unto God, what is going to save him at this end of time? There is nothing whatsoever

that can save any person out of this temptation apart from Our Lord Jesus Christ. Stop asking God to give you money, or car or any other thing. Even if God has given you all these things, what are you going to do about these high temptations?

THE FULFILLMENT OF THE SCRIPTURES

This is not the time for any person to ask God for anything at all. But it is the time to hold fast to The Teachings of God. Because it is said, "For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." (Matthew 5:18) The Scriptures say, "And many false prophets shall arise, and shall deceive many and because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." People will always come to deceive you to believe that somebody plots to kill you. They will threaten you that your wife plans to kill you. Or that your child wants to kill you. Or that your friend wants to kill you. Have you not seen how iniquities have multiplied on earth today? An evil spirit will come and tell you, that the man sitting down there is a wizard. And the next day, somebody comes to your house and tells you that he had seen you in a dream as a wizard, and that you should not go to his house again. Whenever you find things where they should not be, really know that the time is drawing nigh. Temptation is right on your doorstep.

BE QUICK TO HEAR AND SLOW TO SPEAK (JAMES 1:19)

Remember what He had said, that He will tempt the world and shake up the earth. This is not the time you require any person to appreciate what you have done to him. This is not the time for you to look for love and praises from any person. But it is the time when every person must hold fast to His righteousness.

It should not be given that any person lends ears to any other person in the world, rather he should listen to The Spirit. If we put on The Word of God as armor, we shall indeed conquer. Even if your father speaks to you, answer him not. If your mother talks to you do not reply. If your wife speaks to you, do not retort. If your children talk to you, do not retort. No matter what the Pastor enjoins you to do, reply him not. Even if all the members of the congregation begin to talk about you, do not retort.

YOU ONLY DO THAT WHICH YOU WERE PREDESTINATED TO DO

Hold fast to The Words of Our Lord Jesus Christ, because this is a perilous time. Whatever you put your hands to doing, do not accomplish such things that people may praise you. But do it because it is commensurate with what He had given to you to do. It is never the pleasure of any person to commit any act of iniquity. It is not the love of anybody to tell lies. Whatever is going on, no person is in the light about it. All are the manifestations of all those things, which were written and kept. Until you begin to execute these functions, you will not realize yourselves. But when you read the scriptures you will soon remember that

these things were already postulated by Our Lord Jesus Christ. That is why the Children of God are never exasperated. They do not entertain any fears. Whatever comes to them every day, they remain very joyous. These things you have been told that whatever somebody has done to you, you should not be infuriated.

No matter what your wife and children do to you, no matter what the people do at your place of work, do not be infuriated. Continue always to bear with them and turn whatever they do to anger you, into a thing of pleasure.

THE RISE OF FALSE PROPHETS

These happenings have pointed to the fact that this is the final era. Realize it yourself, as you have known what the whole world has said about Brotherhood. Upon all the blasphemous statements they have made against Brotherhood, tell me any of them, which is the truth. All church denominations blaspheme along the same vein against Brotherhood. The necromancers, soothsayers, juju priests say the same thing against Brotherhood. Men and women say the same thing about Brotherhood. Can't you realize the manifestation of The Word of God that "many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many? It is not their pleasure that they should rise up and do all these things, but it is to fulfill that which was written about them. It is said, "And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." For somebody to tell you that Brotherhood drinks blood, is Beelzebub, is apparition, does this or that, you will be so weakened that you forget completely about the truth.

IF THESE ARE DONE TO GREEN TREES, WHAT ABOUT THE DRY?

If they say these things about you, it is worst with them. Because in the world today, there abound allegations upon allegations, that the mother wants to kill him, that a brother is bewitching him or that somebody is doing some wicked act. Everywhere you go to in the world, people are making allegations against one another. And that is why it is said, for if they do these things to a green tree, what shall be done to the dry? (Luke 23:31) If you find yourself in Brotherhood and you are so shaken by people, what do you think is the lot of the people in the world? I always laugh at some people when they say that there are so many temptations here, and so, they are withdrawing in order to stay in their houses. I would like that you go and stay at home and you will surely reach your wits end. It is said, "Going forward is the fear of death but retreating is death itself."

REFRAIN FROM SIN SO THAT YOU MAY BE REDEEMED

This injunction and revelation is given to you that you may hold tenaciously to The Word of God. Those who will be saved throughout the world are those who will comply with the instructions of God. You have not been told to refrain from committing fornication that

you may have money. You have not been told to refrain from falsehood that you may have money. You have not been told to forsake theft that you may have money. You have not been told to refrain from any acts of sin so that you are blessed with children. But you have been advised to refrain from any acts of sin that Jehovah God and His Christ may save and redeem you. Because apart from Him no other person can save the world. Forget about if somebody has taken something from you in an extortionate manner. Do not follow him. Whatever somebody offends against you, whether they call you a witch, a wizard, a thief, be indifferent about such tendencies.

FOLLOW PEACE WITH ALL MEN

Always live peaceably with every person remembering The Words of this Gospel. If your child is so insulting, if your wife has done that which a woman should not do in the house, forget about those occurrences. But live peacefully with them remembering that this is the final era. It is said that The Lord has scheduled time for everything. As you have seen here, this is His own fullness of time. This is the time that "many false prophets shall arise and shall deceive many" in the world. This is the time when "men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy."

EVIL IS THE TENDENCY OF MAN

In the past, it used to be said that the whites do not tell lies. But today they have told lies to such an extent that one cannot even explain it. And the black man, who is an experienced person in such a trade, joins them to perpetuate the unholy act. Hitherto, it used to be said that the church is the place where people have love. But if you go to the churches now, you will be so disillusioned because they have metamorphosed into centers of politics. In the past, people contended that without the government, they would have perished. But now, the government cannot live up to its functions. Instead, it is fraught with all sorts of atrocities. People used to pride themselves that having children was a springboard to achieving their life desires. But the reverse is the order today. They are very disappointed by the type of children they have today because they are neck-deep in all manner of sins.

CATASTROPHE IN MARRIAGE

It used to be said that without a wife, a man would not have found himself in such a good state. A woman would also contend that without a husband, her life would not have been that well-off as it is. But today, both the wife and the husband are shadows of themselves. A wife would so maltreat her husband, and a husband would make life so difficult for his wife, that in either case such sad songs are sung, that you cannot know what to do. A great many men now are sleeping outside because of the things their wives have done at home. By the same token, many women stay outside because their husbands have

brought so much fire into the house. Some children now do not stay in their parents' houses because of the humiliating treatment they receive from their fathers and mothers. Every moment there are allegations upon allegations, and even if you do not do anything, they will say that you have done it. And so when you are feeling homesick, reports flow in on the behavior of your children, wife or husband. And so people have always been at loggerheads with others. There is so much pandemonium, and confusion is sweeping across the world.

PEOPLE HATE BROTHERHOOD WITHOUT A CAUSE

This Brotherhood has revealed the entire world unto you. Brotherhood does not light candles, and does not burn incense. There is no orchestra introduced and we do not worship anything else but The Living God. But have you not heard the allegations leveled against Brotherhood throughout the world? They allege that in Brotherhood we worship man, we worship diabolical things, mermaids, and apparition.

They claim that if one visits here, the person will see a human skull and other horrible things. But they cannot even prove even one of the allegations as true. In your family circles, the story remains the same. They allege that the Leader is a wizard, an apparition; that He killed their children. From the beginning of time people have been making such allegations.

A great many people who are Brotherhood do not come here because they are always at daggers drawn with others. They will allege that a certain person reported them to the government, or that certain persons have reported them to certain quarters; and because of these lies, they cannot stay together. You find a friend reporting you to the government, a friend reporting a friend to the customs, a friend reporting a friend to many institutions that they may set them into trouble. Do you not see what is going on in the world? Is it not you yourselves perpetuating these tendencies?

PERILOUS TIMES

No matter what you do to a child he will not appreciate it. No matter what you do to your husband, he will not show any sign of appreciation. Instead, he will call you a bush person and question what really you have done for him. He will not find you useful in anything. The same thing happens in the church denominations and in the world at large. But for this word of truth given to you, and without the coming down of this Kingdom of God, no person would have been saved. And if you do not hold on to this truth, you will be eluded of this Kingdom of God. Always count that this is a perilous time, a very bad time. This is the end of time for every person. Never you count that your mother has not loved you or that your husband has not loved you but always estimate that this is the perilous time, which was written about of old.

ONLY MAN WAS PREDESTINED TO RULE

All that you witness from day to day are the things, which had been prophesied that they will come to pass. Do not quake or tremble again on the trend of the events. Do not ask questions why a particular thing should happen. Our Lord Jesus Christ overcame these temptations, because all those things, which were written about Him came to manifestation, and not one of them was unfulfilled. That was why when He was abused, cursed and blasphemed against, He maintained sealed lips. He continued to laugh because He knew fully well that those things were written about Him. They blasphemed against Our Lord Jesus Christ to the extent that Pilate, the governor, when he was on the judgment seat asked Him, "Hearst thou not how many things they witness against Thee? And He answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marveled greatly." (Matthew 27:13-14/Mark 15:4-5) He showed this behavioral pattern because He knew for certain that all those things were written about Him. Have you not seen the handiwork of the false prophets? Satan has troubled so many people. He has told people not to pay tithe, and has carried out so many things.

Why do you allow yourself to be deceived by Satan that there will ever be any point in time when somebody will descend from the clouds? How will He come down to the earth? Today, even if you hail from a particular community and you are looking for a piece of land to build a house for yourself, your brothers, mothers, fathers, relatives would not allow you any space to build. How much more when you descend from the sky? Where will you settle for a living? Where will you build a house as your place of abode? Now, you are born on earth and have assumed the position of a father. You have a wife and are blessed with children but who has accepted your ruler ship? They have refused your ruler ship. They have asserted their independence. What then will be the case with somebody descending from the sky? When he comes down, who will be subject to him?

Will there be any point in time when such a person will have any ruler ship over any person? I want you to ponder over that situation. Look at the governors you elected for yourselves. Now, they are languishing in jail. Right now, kings, emperors, traditional rulers are struggling over positions of power. And so there is no peace amongst them. But consider somebody, descending from the sky, whose father, mother and relatives are unknown; and you want to accept such a person as a ruler? Where will he stay to rule? Can you not see how false prophets are deceiving you? They say that somebody will come from the clouds amidst trumpets and other pleasantries. Where will he settle? Will he settle on water? The entire land space is already owned by people. Even if you come from the same country but work in another place other than your town, and you are often told by the citizens to go to your town; so what is the fate of somebody descending from the sky? In the recent past, governments have been looking for land for some establishments but to no avail. If a whole community with a pressing need for land to establish something cannot fish out a piece of land to do so,

think about somebody coming down from the clouds. He will not even have a place to settle, talk less of ruling over people.

THE JEWS DID NOT BELIEVE IN THE CHRIST

Can you then realize how false prophets have succeeded in deceiving us? The same thing happened during the days of old, during The Advent of Our Lord Jesus Christ. They told the people not to look up to Our Lord Jesus Christ. They argued that when The Christ will come, no person will know His parents. When He raised the dead, made the blind to see, the lame to walk, the deaf to hear and the dumb to speak, the people said that He did not use the power of God to heal those infirmities but He was using the power of Beelzebub. And against this background, many people left Him.

LIE NOT AGAINST ONE ANOTHER

All the things you see are meant to serve as lessons, as guiding lines for you and me. Have you not heard what happened between Potiphar's wife and Joseph? When she wanted to control Joseph to lie with her, and he refused, she went and told lies to the husband saying. "The Hebrew servant, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me: and to lie with me. And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out." And Potiphar, as foolish as his wife, took Joseph, and put him into the prison (Genesis 39:7-20). Is it not exactly what is happening today? Somebody comes to give you a vision that a person wants to kill you, and if the next morning you meet that person and he calls you brother, you will turn away from him claiming that he is not a brother to you. Is it not the same thing? People are deceiving you. Upon all the sermons I have delivered to you from the highest heaven none of you has believed me. But you continue to be deceived by people that there is witchcraft, apparition, mermaid; and that somebody wants to poison you. Many people who are not members of Brotherhood have been testifying that it is impossible to kill a Brotherhood member. But you inside here continue to believe in the existence of ghosts, witchcraft, apparition and other diabolical things.

LIVE PEACEABLY WITH ALL MEN

Now, have you not realized that you have been given the tree of life? It is the truth that you have been given. That is, you should hold on to your righteousness. No matter what somebody has done to you, even if he plucks off your eye, go away. Live peacefully with every man, knowing fully well that what happens to you is the manifestation of that which was written about you. And it is a question of time, for the "bug" will be smoothened. You are not doing any of these things out of your own pleasure but it is that evil spirit creeping in you that had been bringing about such tendencies even till date. Somebody will rise up to tell you that he is a wizard and has killed ten persons. Can you say that he is the one making that

statement out of his own volition? It is the handiwork of the evil spirit. For how can he call himself a wizard?

Somebody collects plantain leaves and compound them into something inside a bottle and hangs it inside his farm and calls it juju or diabolical thing to protect the farm against unauthorized aggression. What is inside the bottle to affect such a function? Is that really diabolic? Somebody can rise up in the midst of others and show to you the finger rings, which he had brought from the market. But he will assert that he had acquired them from the root of diabolism. And thus he is battle-ready to return fire for fire against any person who deems it wise to cause trouble with him. In reality, he has nothing with him. But you begin to tremble with fear about what you believe to be his newly acquired power. But the man himself will be laughing since he knows that he has nothing on him.

THE HOLY SPIRIT REIGNS

Because of problems hatched by people against you, you threaten that you are going to report them to Olumba Olumba Obu; for He knows all that they are doing. What effect does that statement have? You are only joking with them. But they on their part will construe it to mean that you are dead serious about it, believing that you are going to Calabar; and that makes the turn of events to be uncertain. Brethren, all these things are vain words which have no life. Do not listen to any person who comes to tell you that the other person wants to kill you or the other person hates you. For the moment you listen to such utterances, your love will wax cold. The Holy Spirit has assumed His reign. No person or carnal thing is reigning. Your words cannot avail any person anything.

ESCHEW VAIN WORDS

Your wife can tell you that upon her dead body, she is not marrying you again. Yet till today, she is still in your house and she does not die. And a husband can tell a wife that he does not want her again, so she should pack her belongings and leave. But they are still staying in the house as husband and wife. They are laughing, eating and enjoying everything. Do you not see that these are vain words, which you should not lend your ears to? If you see how a husband and a wife disgrace themselves, you would jump to the conclusion that they will never live together under the same roof. But shortly after that the woman will ask the husband whether he has eaten. And the man will demand that she prepares food for him.

LISTEN TO THE SPIRIT OF GOD

This indicates that all the shaky things in the world will be uprooted. Never depend on mere words as the truth. There lies no truth in them excepting the words, which proceed out of the mouth of Jehovah God and His Christ. For this is the veritable truth. But do not believe in any words spoken by any person. That is why I instruct you not to look unto any person,

whether man or woman. But listen attentively to your spirit and the teachings you have received, for they will lead you unto the Promised Land, because the flesh cannot avail you any good thing. Remember what Paul said, "For the good that I would, I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me." (Romans 7:19) It is the flesh that rises up and causes you to derail from the path of rectitude. Any day you give food to your wife, she will call you "my dear." But when there is no more food, she will call you by your name, and will hush you up and also ask you to get away from her.

STAND FIRM IN THE WORD OF TRUTH

The same thing happens with the man. He loves the wife up to the time she is able to do what is good. Anytime the wife does something, which is not his will, he will say that the woman should be left alone; for she is always a wayward woman. I have told you this, that you may rearrange your thinking. Pay deaf ears to whatever allegations people level against you because they will cause your love to wax cold. But hold fast to this word of truth, word of righteousness, and word of God given to you. Put it on as an armor of God upon yourselves. It is not expedient that a young lady should live with the father but should live with the mother. When you find a young girl living with the father, know that there is something fishy in the family. In the same vein, when you see people doing things they should not do, know that it is not their pleasure to do so. Therefore, the Children of God should not be exasperated or impute sin on anyone, but they should continue to show love and affection to them, and go on ministering good things to them, realizing that this is the end of time. You will note that when somebody comes to your house you give him money. He comes again, and you offer him food. When you cannot play up any longer as you have been doing, the person will vow that he cannot come to your house again. He will speak all sorts of evil things against you. Is it not why you say that even if you have something, because of his insolence, you will not give him? When you say that, have you not fallen?

THE CHRIST LOVED HIS DISCIPLES TO THE END

Do you not remember Our Lord Jesus Christ with His twelve disciples? He knew that Judas Iscariot would betray Him. But did He stop loving him as He loved the other disciples? He loved them unto the end. And that is exactly what we are asked to do, for therein lies our salvation and redemption. Remember what Peter told the Pharisees when they charged him not to preach in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ? Peter told them to think for themselves if it be good in the sight of God to listen to the voice of man rather than that of God. (Acts 7:19). That is why the glad tidings of great joy are being sent to you that you should not listen to the voice of man but hearken to the voice of God. This is so because if you lend your ears to the voice of man, your love will wax cold, you will no longer listen to The Word of God. You will not practice The Word of God and in the final analysis; you will be eluded of this Kingdom of

God. That is why these things have been revealed to you that at the end of time they will come to pass. Thus, when you see these things, do not be distracted but continue to forge ahead.

ALL SHOULD REPENT AND COME FOR SALVATION

If you have been bearing malice against somebody because he had called you a wizard, or a thief, and for that reason you say that you will never forgive that person, as soon as you read this portion of the Holy Bible this night, become truly repentant and forget about what somebody had ever done to you. If you had resolved that since that person had done one thing or the other to your forefather, father or brother, you will never be at peace with him, repent at this moment, and ponder over the lesson yourself. If God was to look at our iniquities, of what use would He make us at this end of time? Consider the case of Our Lord Jesus Christ who came to save you and me; but nobody appreciated all that He did for mankind. We blasphemed against Him and finally crucified Him on the cross; even saying unto Him, "If thou be The Son of God, come down from the cross." Yet instead of Him retaliating, He rather prayed to The Father saying. "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34)

If He had fashioned His action on the behavioral pattern of man, He would not have treated man so kindly and magnanimously. That is why you have been advised that from today, even if members come to your house and plunder all your goods and money, allow them to plunder; but laugh at them because their action is the manifestation of The Word of God. This tendency has caused many members, who have been providing accommodation free of charge to unfortunate brothers and sisters to refuse providing accommodation to others, since these unfortunate ones used to become atrocious, insulting and stealing the member's properties when they want to go away. It is a case of once bitten, twice shy. A great many people who have been kind to brothers and sisters, giving money and food and other things to the brothers who promise to return the money but never do, are rather insulted and scandalized often. This will result in a position where these kind people will swear that as a result of such bad behavior, they will never be generous and benevolent to others again. But I now advise you not to swear, but continue with your good deeds. Do not be weary in your well doing.

DO NOT ALLOW YOUR LOVE TO WAX COLD

The Word of God is never fulfilled in animals but in human beings. It is said because iniquities shall abound, the love of many will wax cold. Do not allow your love to wax cold; no matter the circumstances, no matter what happens to you even if they sever your head from your body or pound you in a mortar like foo foo, or cast you into prison, or burn you at the stake, or even if they decide to assassinate your character and do something degrading to your personality and integrity. No matter what your wife or husband or children or brothers

or sisters or father or mother or the world may do or say to you, do not lend your ears to them, do not allow your love to wax cold. Do not look at them, nor should you listen to them, but continue with your good deeds truthfully, since you know that such actions make The Word of God manifest. God had warned Adam that if he ate the forbidden fruit, he would know that it is the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. (Genesis 3:22) This explains why good and evil walk hand-in-hand. When you hear about a good thing, it is quickly followed by an evil thing.

OVERCOME EVIL WITH GOOD

Right now, you complain that when you do good to somebody, he pays you back with a bad coin. Every person says it, and it had become a hymn for you. If you come across those you have done good things to and observe how they behave towards you, it will be so uncompromising that some of them will even advise people to chop off your head. They will treat you in such a manner that you are forced to question whether that is how people behave. But they will ask who you are and what you can do to him. With such tendencies, you will realize what is in the Scriptures that the person who eats your food is the one, who kicks, you off. (John 13:18) He has done this to you so that your love may wax cold. When your love waxes cold, you will perish. But if you forget what people have done to you and continue to do that which is good, you will be saved. I know that this Gospel has been sent by The Holy Father to the world in order to wake people up from their deep sleep. The Second Lesson will now be read.

Second Bible Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:2

For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy.

Brethren, have you heard that? If these things do not come to manifestation, would you say that God is the God of falsehood? Remember The Word of Our Lord Jesus Christ that this generation will not pass away until everything is consummated. (Matthew 24:34) If somebody loves money, he is making The Word of God to manifest. Any person who tries to love himself by putting on costly raiment is making The Word of God to be fulfilled. For you to find somebody who is proud and arrogant, he is fulfilling The Word of God.

THE SHEPHERD SHALL BE SMITTEN AND THE SHEEP SHALL SCATTER

For somebody to be insolent, insulting, he is making The Word of God come to pass. Any person who is trying to prove disobedient to his parents, he is manifesting The Word of God. What is the evil in such actions?

And that was why Our Lord Jesus Christ told His disciples, "All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock

shall be scattered abroad Peter said, Though all men shall be offended because of Thee, yet will I never be offended." (Matthew 26:31-33/ Mark 14:27-29) If they had not scattered, it means that He would not have been The Christ, and The Word of God would have been put to nought. That night, all of them denied Him, and that was another manifestation of The Word of God that He was truly The Christ. And you have realized that if these things did not come to pass at that point in time, this would not be regarded as the final era. Have you not realized that all that have happened in the world take such a trend because they were meant to be manifested at this end of time and that is why I am swimming in great happiness and peace for seeing the fulfillment of that which was written about this era.

AN EYE OPENER

I do not know why such inspiring gospels have always been delivered on Sunday nights. This Gospel is an eye-opener. It is a sort of protection to every man and also serves as a projection of The Word of God. You stay with somebody without any craftiness and with perfect peace, but all of a sudden, he begins to allege that you are trying to seduce the husband or wife, and you are trying to play pranks. And because of this, your love is bound to wax cold to the extent that you vow never to do that which is good to people. You know for certain that except you have heard this Word of God and believed in it, there is no human being whose spirit will not be dampened completely when so many allegations have been made against him, and his character has been defamed. What is happening in the world is that when you do good to somebody, he repays you with a bad coin. For that reason your spirit becomes dampened and you decide within yourself that you will never do another good thing again. Do not be exasperated. For it has been said, "And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." It is of a truth that a great many people will allow their love to wax cold. But do not allow your love to wax cold.

DO NOT FEAR WHAT MAN WILL SAY TO YOU

Brethren, this is the Gospel which you will use to overcome the world. It is also what the world has used in defeating you. Because the moment you listen to evil communications, and consider the evil things people are doing, then your love is bound to wax cold. A great many of us here know precisely what good things we should do to people, but because we have done them before, only to be repaid with bad coins, or we have been called names, and certain horrible things have happened to us, we promise not to do any good thing to any person again. There is nothing that man fears more than false allegations, defamation of character and, disgrace. That is the weapon of Satan. They will conspire to tell people that you have not done anything. They will tell lies about you. The moment lies are heaped on somebody his love will be completely dampened. And what you will use to overcome them is The Word of God, which has advised that you should not be overcome with evil, but overcome evil with good. (Romans 12:21). Is this not the Armageddon war you have been hearing about?

DO GOOD TO THOSE WHO HATE YOU

That is why even when you are slanderous about Brotherhood, I still embrace you, praise you and do every good thing to you. You begin to ponder within yourself why is it that of all that you have done to Him, you are still well received. I do this because I cannot see anything people can do to me. You are true witnesses to the allegations leveled by the worldly people against Brotherhood. If particular attention were to be paid to such tendencies, The Work of God would have been long dead and buried. Was it not what induced Peter to take up his sword and cut off the ear of one of the servants of the High Priest? What did Our Lord Jesus Christ say to him? He told him to, "Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword." (Matthew 26:52). Is this not the cause of your exasperation? You cannot see any wisdom in the many blasphemies against Brotherhood, The Kingdom of God which has brought good to the world, saved human lives, and in which there has never been any type of apparition. Because of the blasphemies, when somebody greets you outside you frown your face at them. Do not do it again. Always look kindly at persons who make allegations against you.

LIVE AND LET LIVE

Continue to do your work and allow them to do theirs. And that was why when Judas Iscariot cast down the thirty pieces of silver in the temple, they decided among themselves and said, "It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of the blood. And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field to bury strangers in. Wherefore that field was called, "The field of blood," unto this day. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value; and gave them for the potter's field, as The Lord appointed me." (Matthew 27:9-10). At another time, it was said, "And parted His garments casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet. They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots." (Matthew 27:35).

THE ERA OF MONEY LOVERS

Therefore, whatever happens is a manifestation of that which has been written. We will not fail to bring to manifestation all these things, which were written. Can you realize that all that had been written in The Holy Bible will come to fulfillment, fast as you may, or pray as you may? Stop fasting and praying because these things will actually be made manifest. Look at Brotherhood. Have I ever told you to make a launching, or to build a bethel or to equip this place with all the gadgets? But it has been written that at this end of time, people will be lovers of self and lovers of money. You are doing it out of your own volition but you are only manifesting that which was written about you. For me alone, that shed building

at 26 Mbukpa Road would have sufficed. What need do I have for a house? But if I do it The Word of God will not be fulfilled. Do you not see what you are doing today? I do it so because I am not the one who is responsible for it but The Word of God. Remember that what used to be the healing home was that shed building. And that was sufficient for me. But do you not see what is there now? Because it was written that at this final era people will be lovers of money and wealth. I do not go there. I ran from there and stayed here. Do you not see what is happening here? When you begin to do these things, I am always kept at sea over such projects. Is there anything I instruct you to do? You do all these things without telling Me.

The Word Of God Is Fulfilled

Go to 26 Mbukpa Road and see the type of benches which I kept there. Compare such things with what you have here. We cannot help it because it is the end of time. It is said, "For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy." Don't you see the magnificent "Beautiful Gate" and many other things you have brought about? We cannot help it, for it was written about you. And so do not be derelict because it is said, "For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." (Matthew 5:18) Brethren, why this Gospel is given to you this night is to serve as a warning to you so that you may begin to have peace from today because a great many of you do not have peace at all. You continue to complain about your children, your church, your wife, your husband. Comply with this Word of God, and have peace.

HOLD FAST TO YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

When the Sons of God went to visit their Lord, "Satan came also among them. And The Lord said unto Satan, whence comes thou? Then Satan answered The Lord, and said, from going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. And The Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? Then Satan answered The Lord, and said, doth Job fear God for nought? Hast not Thou made a hedge about him and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? Thou has blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land. But put forth Thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse Thee to Thy face. And The Lord said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand." (Job 1:6-12) If Job did not hold fast to his righteousness, do you mean to tell me that he would not have fallen? Upon all that happened to him, he said, "Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither; The Lord gave, and The Lord hath taken away; blessed be The Name of The Lord. In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly." (Job 1 21-22) And that was why God held him strongly unto Himself.

This is what God has kept for you and me. If you hold tenaciously to Him, do not look back because all the things happening to you are meant to tempt and prove those who really love Him. Let us not be lovers of money, or ourselves, nor be disobedient to our parents, not be blasphemers, and not be covetous, since we know that these things are what await those who do not believe at this final era. This is the time for examination. Every person in the world is begotten of God but all those who will pass this examination will be those who will be at His side. It is said that so many people run the race but only few persons get the prize. I charge you not to be lovers of money, not to be covetous, not to hate people, not to be lovers of yourselves. But let us hearken to The Voice of God because this recondite wisdom, revealed unto you, has eluded the people of the world. It is said that many are called but few are chosen. (Matthew 22:14)

PLAIN TEACHING

Realize that when Our Lord Jesus Christ spoke to the multitude of people, He spoke in parables. But when He retired to His resting place, the disciples will go to ask Him to explain to them the meaning of the parables. He did not speak parabolic ally to His disciples. He was telling them everything plainly as I am telling you. And that was why the disciples asked Him saying, "Why speakest thou unto them in parables?" And "He answered and said unto them, because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven, but to them it is not given." (Luke 8:10) For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that which he hath." (Matthew 25:29).

WITH ANY TEMPTATION, GOD WILL PROVIDE A WAY OF ESCAPE

This Gospel is meant to strengthen the faith of the Children of God. Because a great many of you here have driven away your children on the grounds of disobedience. You have driven away your wives because of their headiness. And you have cast away your brothers, sisters and other relatives because you feel that they hate you. And you start to wonder what manner of sin you have committed to merit such trouble. It is no sin but the manifestation of that which was written about you at this age. Can you not see the security provided you by God?

He says, "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." If we shall not be lovers of ourselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, He will hold us unto Himself and we shall not fall at any temptation. A great many men are puzzled why they are instructed not to fornicate, and they ask what women were made for. Others are worried why they are enjoined not to

drink, notwithstanding the various brands of liquor available in the market. They conclude that it is very difficult to understand The Leader.

HEAR AND PRACTICE THE WORD OF GOD

Sometimes you ask the question why is it that when somebody covets you, you should not exchange blows with him. Why you are told not to retaliate at any point in time is that if you keep to these injunctions of God, He will keep you from the hour of temptation. It is His own promise to the Children of God, "Because thou hast kept The Word of My Patience, I also will keep thee from the hours of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." (Revelation 3:10) Remember The Parable of Our Lord Jesus Christ which says, "Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And everyone that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be liken unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it." (Matthew 7:24-27)

In the same token, if we do not comply with His instructions we can be compared to a house built on top of the sand. And none of us will be able to survive the impending temptation. But He has promised us saying, "Because thou hast kept The Word of My Patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." Who am I to be able to withstand the temptations and all the problems in the world? I am being kept by Jehovah God and His Christ. Brethren, I do not wish to take you further. Let us hear The Promise of God. The Golden Text will now be read.

Golden Text: Revelation 3:10

Because Thou hast kept The Word of My Patience, I also will keep Thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

IF YOU PRACTICE THE GOSPEL, HE WILL PROTECT YOU IN THE HOUR OF TEMPTATION

Brethren, have you heard that? It is said, "Because Thou hast kept The Word of My Patience, I also will keep Thee from the hour of temptation." Without Jehovah God and His Christ, who would have been able to survive? And that is why you have been told in the spiritual chorus, "When you cling to God, you will always be more than conquerors."

That is the reason you are instructed to refrain from committing fornication, telling lies, engaging in the preparation of concoction, hating people; you are not to be exasperated, not to institute court action against any person, because if you comply with The Words of

God, He will take you majestically across. Do not ask the question, when He will come? Do not wait but since you have kept The Word of His Patience, He has promised to protect you in the hour of temptation. So long as you have received this recondite Wisdom of God, continue to hold fast to your righteousness. That is why you should not fornicate, indulge in any form of diabolical things, drink liquor, tell lies, and do anything, which will not bring glory unto God, so that you will always live to conquer.

THERE IS NO DISAPPOINTMENT IN JESUS

Human beings will deceive you. Your father will deceive you, Governments will deceive you. The church will deceive you. But God will never disappoint you, and has never failed anybody. Have you not heard the wording of the spiritual chorus saying: "There is no disappointment in Jesus." And He says, "Because thou hast kept The Word of My Patience, I also will keep Thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." Who has deceived you that there can be any rain and the earth will not know about it? Who deceives you that a single hair can be lifted up from your head and your God in Heaven will not know about it? Who can deceive you that all the temptations besetting people in the world are not known of God? If He had not known about these temptations why would He speak publicly to you tonight?

The First Lesson has told you, "And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." Brethren, the Second Lesson says, "for men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy." Have you not seen that these things have been spoken openly to you? And He says, "Because Thou hast kept The Word of My Patience, I also will keep Thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." A great many people think that when somebody refrains from committing fornication, stealing, and other acts of sin, he will have children, money or houses. This is erroneous. You are told to refrain from these acts of sin so that God will protect you at the hour of temptation. It is said, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Mark 8:36).

NO MATERIAL THING CAN PROTECT YOU IN THE HOUR OF TEMPTATION

Now, you have money, children and everything but this temptation will actually knock you down. Do you not know that this is the time that people will come to your house and present money to you? Women will actually come and besiege you in the house. For it is written about this end of time thus, "And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, we will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach." (Isaiah 4:1). This is the time a brother will sell his brother to the other person, he will tell lies and commit many other atrocities. This is the time that

people love money more than God, or even their children. Every time and everywhere they talk about nothing but money and forget completely about everything else in the world. Right now no person loves any other person. You want to go from here to Mbukpa Road, and you enter a car.

Everywhere you go, you must board a car. Do you not see how you love yourself? People claim to be enjoying themselves. They attend ballroom dances. Big hotels are built with millions of naira. Nightclubs are the order of the day. Do you not see the manifestation of The Word of God? If you are not strong in character and you dare go into the midst of the people of the world, they are bound to consume you. If you do not drink any type of liquor, they will say that you are an apparition and will mock at you. If you cannot curse or abuse people, they call you a reprobate. If you do not have a boyfriend or girlfriend, they will ask if you are impotent. They will abuse you to such an extent that you may be forced to tow their line.

A PANACEA FOR ALL TEMPTATIONS

If you do not exchange blows with somebody, they will call you a woman. You find some people along the street and they will tell you to give way. They will begin to struggle with you, knock you down and go their way. There is confusion everywhere. In your office, church and homes, pandemonium is prevalent. People are turning confusion into their daily meals. And that is why our God, who loves His children so much, has given this panacea to all of us that we may live eternally. If we hold onto His advice and injunctions given to us from day to day we are bound to be saved. I know that the publication of this Gospel and the circulation of it to the whole world will do great work to such an extent that Satan will go away shamefully. Because God Himself has realized that the love of a great many of you is waxing cold due to the many allegations made against you by people within the church itself, in your houses, in your family, at the place of work and you are demurred at doing what is good.

YOU ARE SAVED

And Our Lord Jesus Christ has warned that you should remember the place from where you had fallen and go back to your first love, otherwise He will remove the candle stand from its place. (Revelation 2:4-5) Do you not remember when I said that 1985 will see many people practicing The Word of God? Can you not realize how this is consummated? Therefore, do not ask whether you will be saved. Because you are already saved since you have refrained from fornication, drinking, preparation of concoction and diabolism. Upon all the allegations made against The Leader and you, His children, you have remained undaunted. It is not yourself holding on to the truth but it is The Father who is holding you unto Himself that His promise might be fulfilled. What have you been told by that spiritual chorus? It says, "No matter how tough the battle is, I will wade across the sea with you." Have you not seen that He

has waded across the sea with you? Do not fidget but stand firm where you are. For you are under the mighty tutelage of The Holy Father. We have to hold on to our righteousness by loving one another. The whole world is to be pitied. Any person without The Christ, or without The Word of God, has been damned. This is the time that each and every one of us should run to The Christ because He is the only one who can salvage us. Brethren, I do not intend to be tedious unto you. One stroke of the cane is sufficient unto the wise. Those who have ears let them hear. May God Bless His Holy Words. Amen.

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THANK YOU FATHER

NO CROSS, NO CROWN

Bible Lesson: Matthew 7:13

Enter ye in at the strait gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Golden Text: 2nd Timothy 3:12

Yea, and all that will live Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

This is the narrow path that leads to life eternal. It means living in harmony with God's Will and imitating Our Lord Jesus Christ by refraining from all sins. Now if you refrain from fornication, your boyfriends and girlfriends must certainly desert you. If you stop taking drugs and injections, the worldly people will deny you; and if you stop drinking, attending disco dances, and drinking parlors, people will start to fear you and envy you. It is true. Any person who wants to be righteous must pass through the narrow path. You will experience false accusations, and scandals; you will be the object of gossip and jealousy. Diverse problems will creep in from everywhere, so that you will start to doubt whether you are actually in the path of God. Several types of temptations will come to you.

2nd Corinthians 4:8-11

We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

In the time of Our Lord Jesus Christ, there were these pleasures of life, but Christ knew that the narrow path led to everlasting life and He stuck to it. Avoid the broad way that leads to destruction. In order to keep on the narrow path, you must count all things to be lost for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus Our Lord. See **Philippians 3:8**. This path requires, self-control, self-denial, self-discipline, long-suffering and all Godly virtues. The teachings that you receive here do not only satisfy your material needs but also lead you on the narrow path to life. You should regard The Word of God as your parents, your life-wire. Arm yourself with The Word of God in order to be able to overcome temptation. **Do not resist an evil doer, bless them which persecute you, bless and curse not.** Recompense to no man evil for evil.

Romans 12:14-21.

"Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one towards another. Mind not high things,

but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. Recompense no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thy enemy, hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink; for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

Our Lord Jesus is our model.

1st Peter 2:21-23

For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps: Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth: Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not, but committed Himself to him that judgeth righteously.

Therefore the instruction is, **"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go thereat." (Matt 7:13)** There is no institution, government, school that can prevent fornication. To them it is a pleasure trip. The world will cherish the broad way which leads to condemnation. **The Teaching of Our Lord Jesus Christ is the narrow path. Let us look intently on Our Lord Jesus Christ and follow His steps closely.** Temptations must surely come to try your faith but remember.

2nd Timothy 3:12.

Yea, and all that will live Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

Yes, "no cross - no crown."

You will be called names. Stumbling blocks will be placed on your way, but with faith in God, pass through without complaining; for as the right soldier of Christ, you must suffer evil. People will come to your house to insult you. Accept all persecution with courage. Rejoice for being persecuted for righteousness sake. Do not seek the praise of men. Do not seek to be loved by people. If you want the praises of people and their love, it means that your work is sinful.

"Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice in as much as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that when His glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for The Name of Christ, happy are ye, for The Spirit of Glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part He is evil spoken of, but on your part He is glorified." **(1 Peter 4:12-14)**

In the narrow path, yes on the highway there, it is a way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it, fornicators, adulterers, drunkards, liars, thieves, polygamists and those who practice vile things. As a good soldier of Christ, do not fear persecution.

Read Revelation 2:10:

Fear none of those things, which thou shalt suffer: behold the devil shall cast some of you into prison that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

May My Peace and Blessing be upon all of you now and forevermore. Amen!

Reference: bible Class Lecture by **The Supernatural Teacher, Leader Olumba Olumba Obu** on **"NO CROSS - NO CROWN"**.

THANK YOU FATHER

ALWAYS LISTEN TO THE VOICE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WITHIN YOU

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: JOHN 4:24

God is a spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: GALATIANS 5:16

This I say then, walk in Spirit and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

GOLDEN TEXT: ACTS 10:19-21

While Peter thought on the vision, The Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee. Arise therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them. Then Peter went down to the men, which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what is the cause wherefore ye are come?

Brethren that is the revelation of our lesson this morning. In the past, people thought that The Holy Spirit was in Heaven. Many people regarded Him as a thing of fable. At the moment we have seen from our lesson what is meant by the working of The Holy Spirit. When your mind is disturbed, The Spirit directs you right ahead on what to do. The Spirit said to Peter, "Have no doubt for I am the one sending you." Do you not know that the particular spirit working in you is the urge that directs your affairs? Whatever The Holy Spirit directs you to do, do not doubt, and act upon it. Our Lord Jesus Christ was killed in the flesh but He lives in the spirit. Whenever somebody speaks to you, know that it is The Holy Spirit that speaks and not the speaker. All those who are the Children of God listen to this spirit. God is a spirit and all those who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. It does not only end with your having The Holy Spirit, but you have to also listen to Him and act according to His directives.

The Holy Spirit is God the creator. He is the king of kings and lord of lords and the long expected comforter whom you have been waiting for. He who believes in him is safe, in the name of our lord Jesus Christ, amen. It is not the shaking of the head alone that makes one worship God. It is only when you behave according to the directives of the Holy Spirit: when he tells you to pray, you pray; when he tells you to sing, you sing; when he tells you to prophesy, you prophesy. When he forbids you from doing a particular thing you stop doing that immediately for Christ himself walked in spirit. You are witnesses that when he was possessed by the Holy Spirit he was led into the wilderness. There was no single thing he did by himself; he was always listening to the Holy Spirit.

The Spirit directed Him to go into the desert, it was not because He liked it but He had to obey His call. Our trouble is that we do not believe that the spirit that lives in us is God who created heaven and earth. That is why we do not have peace in our lives. How can we please God when we do not listen to him? He teaches you about the mysteries of The Kingdom but you do not listen to Him. That is why a lot of people are unable to perform this work, for flesh

and blood cannot please God. If you live according to the directives of the flesh you will surely die. Christ did not please Himself but He listened to The Holy Spirit. All the Apostles, James, Peter, John, to mention a few did not please themselves but they listened to The Holy Spirit. There are certain places where you go to and The Spirit urges you not to say a word, and you have to obey Him. Always do whatsoever The Holy Spirit wants you to do. There may be a time when The Holy Spirit urges you to go on ministry journey to up to five stations you have to obey. What I am telling you, all of you are a living witness that The Spirit comes to dwell in every one of you so that you might be inheritors of His Kingdom.

Our Lord Jesus Christ emphatically said that God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship him in spirit and in truth. But for those who professed to be Children of God but indulge in fornication and adultery and other vices, are led by the evil spirit. Therefore brethren do not regard God as man, tree, Beelzebub. He is nothing but The True Spirit of God. Our Lord Jesus did not say that God is a man or ghost but He said that God is a spirit. Our Lord Jesus Christ said, "Nevertheless, I tell you the truth, it is expedient for you that I go away for if I do not go away The Comforter will not come unto you, but if I depart, I will send him unto you." The question now is has that Comforter come? Since that time He has always been here but people did not believe in Him. How can you claim to be The Child of God when you do not believe in the existence of The Holy Spirit?

All of us are school children but we are not in a carnal school. We are scholars of God by listening to spirit only. That is why we must pray always. After you have prayed, sit down and listen to his voice. As we are scholars of God we do not have to do anything by ourselves. We are His little children. As children we cannot do anything by ourselves except what The Father tells us to do. Any disobedient child will not receive any good thing from His Father. A lot of us suffer because we disobey God. Many of us disobey the directives of the Holy Spirit and as a result we suffer untold hardship, praying for life and death and yet we cannot find any because we disobey the Holy Spirit.

There are many things we have to do for Him and there are also many things He wishes to teach us as Our Lord Jesus Christ bore witness about Him. Read your Bibles from Genesis to Revelation as much as you like but if you are not led by The Holy Spirit, it avails you nothing. This is because it was written through the inspiration of The Holy Spirit it is The Holy Spirit alone who can give accurate interpretation. That is why Our Lord Jesus Christ said that if a man is not born of water and Spirit he cannot enter into The Kingdom of God. There is no person who knows the mind of God except The Holy Spirit. At times you may say I am very worried, I do not know what is wrong with me, why do you have a disturbed mind? It is because you failed to listen to The Holy Spirit. We are not annoyed when somebody offends us, neither are we annoyed when we offend ourselves, but we are annoyed because we failed to listen the dictates of The Holy Spirit.

Whether you have money or not it is not your problem, whether you are healthy or sick, it does not affect you. But whenever you failed to listen to the directives of The Holy Spirit trouble comes in. Even if you fill this Pentecostal Hall with money and other precious things and you are still unhappy know that you have not listened to The Holy Spirit within you. At times you asked yourselves, "I have acquired wealth and all worldly pleasures, why am I still unhappy?" Know from this that you have failed to listen to and act according to the dictates of The Holy Spirit. The peace that the world is fighting, struggling, and spending money to get all hangs on listening to The Holy Spirit. If you listen to the Holy Spirit you will find that you feel very happy, you are content and that you have no more worries. This is the reign of The Holy Spirit and there is no other force in Heaven and on Earth that can oppose or challenge Him. The father does not reign neither the son except the Holy Spirit. If you want good health, listen to The Holy Spirit, whatever He tells you, act accordingly and you will have your desires met. Do not look for power from the sun, moon, secret societies, native doctors etc. Listen to the spirit and he will give you the ultimate power. If you want to acquire all the Godly virtues: love, strength, wisdom, act according to the instructions of The Holy Spirit and you will get them all.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said, "if you love Me you will keep My commandments and I will pray The Father and He shall send you another Comforter who will abide with you forever, even The Spirit of Truth whom the world cannot receive because it seeth Him not neither knoweth, but ye know Him for He dwelleth with you and He shall dwell in you. Is The Holy Spirit not living in your heart? Have you not heard when He speaks to you? At times He tells you to knock your head on the ground and if you refuse, you receive a heavy punishment. How can you live in peace if you are not walking according to the directives of The Holy Spirit?

Sometimes you pray to God to give you The Holy Spirit. He is here; He is all over your body. To get The Holy Spirit does not require prayer, or fasting because He is here with you already. The trouble of the world is that they do not believe in the existence of The Holy Spirit. What brings calamity, hardship, untold suffering to humanity is because The Holy Spirit has come down to dwell with mankind but the world does not believe in Him. It is not necessary to go to the river bank to fast and pray, calling on the name of Jesus or Elijah in order to get the Holy Spirit. He is within you. All you need to do is to listen to Him and act according to His instructions.

Many people complain that they are not educated and as such they cannot do The Work of God. The Work of God does not require academic attainment. All you have to do is to listen to The Holy Spirit. There is nothing on earth that pleases God more than for one to listen to The Spirit and act according to His instructions. That is why we should not be noisy, we should not fight and quarrel so that we would be able to tune into his voice when he speaks to us.

When you are unhappy and something disturbs your mind sit down quietly and listens to the Holy Spirit within you and all your problems will be solved. Do not emulate others but listen to the Holy Spirit. When someone gives you advice, do not rush and give immediate reply, listen to the Holy Spirit for an immediate answer.

As the result of your disobedience to the dictates of The Holy Spirit, you are now indulging in all vices. Any time you come before me you confess the same sin over and over again simply because you do not listen to The Holy Spirit. If you listen to The Holy Spirit within you, you will be spotless of sin, and you will make no mistakes whatsoever. If you possess the whole world and you do not listen to The Holy Spirit what is your gain? Conversely, if you walk according to the dictates of The Holy Spirit and the whole world is against you know that you have gained your salvation. But I am telling you that there is nothing you can do to please man or the world. This is so because man is never content, he is ever demanding, and until eternity, you will never be able to satisfy man's requirements. Ananias heard of how Saul persecuted the Church and when The Holy Spirit urged him to go and offer prayers for Saul he argued and said, "Lord I have heard, by many, of this man how much evil he had done to the Saints at Jerusalem and he had authority from the high priest to bind all that call on Thy Name." But the Lord said unto him, "Go thy way for he is a chosen vessel unto me."

Be careful when The Holy Spirit directs you to deliver a vision or prophecy do not add or subtract, give exactly as the spirit instructs you. He is the God of love, the God of peace and the God of forgiveness, whatever difficulty or problem confronts you, put it before him and he will solve it for you.

It is pitiful and blasphemous to hear how certain people say that God will not come down from Heaven to do a particular thing for you. If God does not come down in person to do that particular thing for you who else do you think will do such a thing for you? Everything you see in the world and all the events happening, thereby it is God alone who is responsible. Whatever God does not do, nobody else can do it. The downfall of both the Whites and the Blacks is that they do not listen to The Holy Spirit. Remember when Peter drew his sword in defense of Our Lord Jesus Christ and Christ rebuked Peter saying: "He who lives by the sword shall perish by the sword. I have power to pray and My Father would send legions of angels to come and fight, but if I do so how would the glory of My Father be manifested?

Do you not remember when King Hezekiah received a letter from the King of Assyria that he was going to wage war with him? To this end King Hezekiah took the letter and he placed it on the altar of God telling God in his prayers that such was direct challenge to him. While he was praying in the altar, God sent a message to him through Prophet Isaiah that the king of Assyria and his subjects would never set their feet in his territory. God sent one angel

to the Assyrian camp and he destroyed the Assyrian camp while the king himself took refuge in Nineveh.

Now in your ignorance you claim that God will not come down in person to save you from trouble; if He will not come down who would save you, give you peace, food, life and all the blessings you desire from Him.

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: JOHN 4:24

God is a spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

THE MANIFESTATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS ALWAYS AMONG THE CHILDREN OF GOD:

The Holy Spirit is the only source by which we can please God. God is a spirit and He is in you, He is in your house, and He is omnipresent. The spirit is an entity, which is, present everywhere. He hears our utterances, confidential conversations, and He knows our hearts' meditation though He remains invisible. At times we do certain things claiming that God does not see us, not knowing that we are deceiving ourselves.

Even where no human being had ever been, like in the sun, God exists there. It is not the building of magnificent buildings for God, nor going along the street shouting Jesus! Jesus! It is neither going from house to house preaching Jesus that would bring us salvation. Salvation is gained by listening to the Holy Spirit. It is when we sit down quietly and listen to the instructions of the Holy Spirit and act upon them and then we get the desired peace and salvation. The scripture says, "Today if you hear His voice harden not your hearts." Today The Holy Spirit can call upon you to go to the hospital to offer prayers for the sick ones, do not resist. Sometimes we do certain things unconsciously and if we are asked to explain the reason for such actions we cannot explain. Therefore let us surrender ourselves entirely to the control of The Holy Spirit.

Do not think of what you will eat or what you will wear. Do not say that people do not love you or that you are an orphan or a widow or that you have no relations. Brethren, do you not know that The Spirit that dwells in you is your mother, father, and all in all for you. Let us not doubt the existence of The Holy Spirit as Thomas did. He said that he would not believe that Our Lord Jesus Christ was resurrected until he sees Him with his naked eyes and puts his hands in the wounds, before he would believe. Did you not know that God is a spirit and all those who worship Him must do so in spirit and in truth? The disciples told Thomas of the resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ but he did not believe until Our Lord Jesus Christ appeared unto him and told him to come and thrust his finger into His wounds. Our Lord Jesus Christ remarked, "Blessed is the man who does not see and yet believes."

Abraham worshipped God in spirit and in truth. That was what moved him to try to sacrifice his only son Isaac to God. Why did Sarah push Ishmael, the son of a slave woman,

out of her house? It was The Holy Spirit who instructed her. When Abraham returned and was informed of the incident he was infuriated but The Spirit instructed him not to be annoyed because it was the wish of The Spirit that they should be expelled from the family, rather Abraham should bless them.

Brethren as you have heard this sermon if you listen to the Holy Spirit within you, your joy will be eternal.

Somebody may offend you and immediately you are about to get annoyed, if you stop to listen to the still small voice of The Holy Spirit within you, He will be telling you to love your enemies. You will therefore not be annoyed any more. If your property gets lost, and you are worried, just knock your head on the ground and the Holy Spirit will console you. If you read The Holy Bible from Genesis to Revelation daily, you will never forsake sin of any form until you listen to The Holy Spirit, which is within you. The flesh is always proud but the Holy Spirit is humble and gives peace. Brethren you have been in Brotherhood for so many years say for twenty years or more and you have not got what you wanted. This is because you do not walk according to the directives of The Holy Spirit for all those who walk according to the directives of the Holy Spirit are given the power to be sons of God. What will The Holy Spirit teach you? He will teach you to forsake the vices of your former life. Flesh and blood cannot preach the gospel to any person except the Holy Spirit is in him. That is why Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

"I have many things to tell you but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when The Spirit of Truth is come He will guide you unto all truth; for He shall not speak of Himself, but whatsoever He shall hear that shall He speak and He will show you things to come."

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: GALATIANS 5:16

This then I say, walk in the spirit and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

THE POWERFUL WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

He who does not walk according to the directives of The Holy Spirit would not be able to please God. If we live according to the desires of the flesh we are bound to die. For the flesh indulges in adultery, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulation, wrath, strife, sedition, heresies, envy, murder, drunkenness and other vices. If we walk in spirit we will not do those things that we know do not please The Holy Spirit, but we will only be doing things that are pleasing to The Holy Spirit.

Many people say, I want to do the work of God, I want to do spiritual work." what is the work of God and what is spiritual work? The work of God and spiritual work depend on how you obey the Holy Spirit, which is within you. If you are directed by the spirit of God you cannot commit any sin. You keep requesting God to give you wealth and other material

things. What is your gain if you possess all these things and yet you lose your soul in hell fire? Have you remembered the story of the young rich man and how he built a store filled with wealth and said to himself, my soul come and rest and enjoy, but God said to him thou fool, thy soul is demanded of thee. Then who shall enjoy all this wealth he acquired? It is exactly like the man who amassed all the wealth of this world but does not listen to The Spirit. God is a master who sends someone on an errand and goes before and behind him. When He sent Ananias to Saul he also communicated to Saul that Ananias was coming to him. Also when He sent Cornelius to Peter He in turn informed Peter that Cornelius was coming to him.

Before The Holy Spirit directs you to go to a particular place He had already communicated with such a person before your arrival thus you experience no difficulty. The Holy Spirit can move you to go around these premises while you are sick.

Know that whenever you obey without complaining you will be well. There is nothing The Holy Spirit will direct you to do that will bring shame and disgrace to you. If we love ourselves and our lives, let us walk according to the directives of The Holy Spirit. He will reveal everything in Heaven to you. If you listen to The Holy Spirit you will not have any problems nor encounter any stumbling block in your life, in this world. The flesh and its desires fight against The Spirit. The Spirit on the other hand wages war against the flesh. (Galatians 5:17-18) Do you think the flesh will stand the battle of The Holy Spirit? When you hear of the War of Armageddon, it is the battle of the spirit and the flesh. This is the reason there is fighting everywhere.

Right from this moment, if you listen to The Holy Spirit you are living with God. It is clear that it is not a man, who recommends himself, who is approved by he whom God recommends. This is the time to please Our Creator alone. If you do not please the Holy Spirit it means you are not his beloved child and you cannot live. Our First Bible Lesson stated that God is a spirit and those who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. The Second Bible Lesson advised us to walk in spirit because if we walk in The Spirit we would not please the flesh. The children of this Kingdom walk by The Spirit and so please do not do anything by your own volition, do not beat your chest and say, "I am." there is no reason to seek advice from anybody nor should we ask anybody to direct us because we have God who is prepared to instruct, teach, and lead us to the wisdom of the truth.

GOLDEN TEXT: ACTS 10:19-21

While Peter thought on the vision, The Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee. Arise therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them. Then Peter went down to the men, which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what is the cause wherefore ye are come?

Brethren, the lesson you have heard is impossible for a carnal man to practice. This very text created confusion among the Apostles of old because when Our Lord Jesus Christ

was on earth in His First Advent, He did not direct His apostles to go unto the Gentiles. This is a proof that without The Holy Spirit the whole world would be lost.

After His death and resurrection, He instructed His Apostles to go and look for the lost sheep of the House of Israel that is the Israelites only. When they went out on ministry work, they inquired to know if any Israelite was at the location they had arrived at, just as the churches who when they are on evangelical work, inquire to know about the whereabouts of only their church members. Note that Cornelius was a Gentile who traditionally had nothing in common with the Israelites. But The Holy Spirit directed Peter, an Israelite, to go and preach The Gospel of God to him. Until dooms day, The Gospel of God could not have been preached to the Gentiles, but for the intercession of The Holy Spirit.

Before this time Peter had a dream in which he saw four-footed animals and he was instructed to kill and eat. He refused and replied the voice that instructed him that he had never eaten anything unclean. When Peter was disconnected from that revelation and was contemplating on the manner of the revelation, and immediately there was a tap on his door, and it was the servants sent by Cornelius. God is love, God of all virtues.

HE HAS COME TO DWELL WITH MAN IN HUMAN FORM IN ORDER TO UNITE THE WHOLE WORLD IN LOVE AND ONENESS

If Peter had been asked, at gun point, to go to the Gentiles, especially to Cornelius, he would never have agreed to accept the assignment, for the simple reason that Cornelius was a Gentile. When The Holy Spirit asked Peter to go to the Gentiles, Peter went because he believed in The Holy Spirit.

From this illustration you will realize that the Holy Spirit does not send one to places where one likes, he will send one to places one hates or to places where one thinks one's life might be in danger of destruction. Here in this fold, why do visionaries direct people to go on missionary journey to bethels and not to places where the gospel of God had not yet been received? If we listen to the directives of the Holy Spirit we will be able to overcome all the vices of this world. Our lord Jesus Christ and all the apostles walked in spirit. But today we do not want to listen to the directives of the Holy Spirit. There was a place Paul went, and he was afraid, but the Holy Spirit assured him that he would not have any problems there.

Our lord Jesus Christ went to Jerusalem not because he liked going there. Paul also went to Jerusalem after which the Holy Spirit had revealed to him the impending imprisonment, which awaited him there. The Holy Spirit does not hide anything from you but if you exercise fear, you are sure to meet your doom.

Why do you tell people to come to Brotherhood in order to have money, children, and work? Is that all? Are you directed by The Spirit or flesh to make such proclamation? Our Lord

Jesus Christ said, "Whoever does not take his cross and come after me is not worthy to be My Disciple." He also said, "Whoever does not hate his mother, father, husband, wife, children and himself is not worthy to be My Disciple." Why then do you go about asking people to come to Brotherhood for material things? Whatever we do let us listen to The Holy Spirit and act exactly as He directs. Let us not add or subtract.

Many of you in the out stations undertake your personal business after you have vowed to work for God. Note that you are deceiving nobody but yourself. In fact you are doing more harm than good to yourself. The Holy Spirit is urging you to go the hospital in order to offer prayers for the sick, visit the prisoners and console them, but you refuse. Instead you remain in your bethels and you continue to sleep. When you listen to The Holy Spirit, you have no room for gossiping and fornication.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said, "My father worketh, hitherto I work." The Holy Spirit in our midst works around the clock but you who profess to do The Work of God remain a sleeping dog in the different bethels. The Holy Spirit does not approve of bethels. Don't you see how you jingle the bell for morning service but you find nobody to attend. I told you emphatically since the year 1974 that there is no question of bethels in the work of God but instead you build magnificent bethels and you say, "This is my bethel."

Remember that God had prophesied in the mouth of the prophets: "howbeit the most high dwelleth not in temples made by hands as said the prophets, heaven is my throne and the earth my footstool, but what house will ye build me? Said the lord, or what is the place of my rest? Ye stiff neck and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost as your fathers did, so do ye." but now every bethel embarks on a building project. Therefore brethren, it is incumbent upon every one of us to act according to the dictates of The Holy Spirit for the true worshippers of God worship him in spirit and in truth. I will not be tedious unto you. Those who have ears let them hear. May The Lord Bless His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

FORGIVENESS

FIRST LESSON: LUKE 23:34

Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. And they parted His raiment, and cast lots.

2ND LESSON: LUKE 17:4

And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turns again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

GOLDEN TEXT: MATTHEW 18:35

So likewise shall My Heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

Today is set aside for "forgiveness of sins." You have heard what Our Lord Jesus Christ said on the Cross 'Father forgive them, for they know not what they do' The Word of God is a double-edged sword. When it goes forward it takes action and on coming back it accomplishes its deeds. It is said that if we forgive not our brothers when they offend us, our Heavenly Father will not forgive our sins.

FORGIVE AND YOU WILL BE FORGIVEN

The reason that people do not enjoy the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ is that they have refused to forgive those who offend them. The statement, which He made when He said: Father forgive them for they know not what they do, applies to those who do not impute sins, unto others. If we no longer impute sins unto others, the statement will then apply to us. That is why our Second Lesson tells you that if your brother offends you seven times in a day and turns each time and asks for forgiveness, you should forgive him. When you forgive him, you can be sure that the First Lesson applies to you: The Father will also forgive you your sins. Until eternity, God will not impute sin on you again.

FORGIVE YOUR DEBTORS

As the heaven is higher than the earth, so is the wisdom of God greater than that of men. It is only man who can err, God can never err. Have you heard what He has said? "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." If you have known that God has forgiven your sins but you refuse to forgive another person his sins that is the sin of presumption. If God forgives you all your sins but you do not forgive your brother who offends against you, what is your stand? How would you offer The Lord's Prayer? The Wisdom of God says forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those that trespass against us. Have you forgiven those who trespass against you? It is recorded in Matthew 6:12, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Have you forgiven your debtors?

DO NOT IMPUTE SINS

That is why our Golden Text says, so likewise shall my Heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not everyone his brother their trespasses. What does it cost you to forgive your brother his sins and have eternal life? Can you not see that it is not in your brother's interest to forgive him, but it is rather in your own interest to forgive him? If we forgive others their sins against us even as God has forgiven us, we are free. If you do not impute sin unto others God will not impute sin unto you. But if you impute sin unto others, He will also impute sins unto you. God does not take pleasure in the death of sinners. He rather wishes that all of us should repent and come to salvation. If when you repent, God forgives you, why is it that somebody repents but you fail to forgive him? You have been told that right from Adam till eternity there is no righteous person. God is the only righteous one; the rest of us have fallen away. Christ knew this, that is why He said Father forgive them for they know not what they do. This statement applies to all those who do not impute sins unto others. God also does not impute sin unto them.

REPENT AND ASK FOR FORGIVENESS

All those who continue to impute sin unto others are lost; because they cannot pray and ask God to forgive their trespasses as they have forgiven those who trespass against them. Have you forgiven those who trespass against you those who do not impute sin unto others have the boldness to pray that God should forgive their sins even as they had forgiven others? God will also forgive you. He is the person making this statement: that if your brother offends against you seven times in a day and turns around each time and asks for forgiveness, you should forgive him. That is the direct statement of God, in order that whenever you offend against God and ask for forgiveness, he may forgive you. It is said that with what measure you use unto others, the same shall be measured unto you. It is said, all of us shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ. Do not think that it is your father or mother or Our Lord Jesus Christ who will judge you. It is you, who will judge yourself. Why is it that somebody has offended against you for the past two or five or seven years and has asked for forgiveness, but you swear that you will never forgive him? You should know that you have perished and that person is saved because he has asked for forgiveness.

FORGIVE ALL WHO REPENT

What kind of sin can someone commit and ask for forgiveness and you refuse to forgive? There is no exception to the kind of offence that should be forgiven. But it is said if your brother sins against you seven times and turns around each time and asks for forgiveness, you should forgive him?

What is there in the world? What kind of sin would you not eagerly forgive so that you

may have peace? If God forgives us all our sins, why should we not forgive those who offend us? How do you offer The Lord's Prayer? Do you pray like that Pharisee? Do you not pray that God should forgive you because you are a sinner? Do you forgive those who sin against you? This has been our problem. That is why God calls us here every day so that He may take away the little faults that bring about our fall. Can you realize how God loves us: He was nailed to the Cross and He said "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." What can your brother do that you would nail him on the Cross? Can you not realize that God loves man more than man loves himself? Can you not see that God does not like the death of sinners? God does not like to see us suffer. And so whoever perishes, his blood is upon him. He has taught us that we should not impute sins unto others because He does not impute sin on us.

Let us go home with this lesson that it is not the sin of Adam or of your father or of your forefathers that is responsible for your sufferings but that you as a man have failed to forgive those who offend against you. Why it is that somebody offends against you in a very little matter but you vow never to forgive him; you shut your ears to all pleas and mediations? When you yourself offend against God, who will forgive you? The children of God do not bear any person malice. They do not impute sin unto any person. They do not backbite against any person because they know that when they forgive others, The Father will also forgive them and they will have peace. Your taking court actions against people does not avail much. Whatever sin somebody commits against you and asks for forgiveness should be over. There should be no more statement forever. Our Lord Jesus Christ has laid the foundation of mercy for us. In the words of a spiritual chorus, you should forgive others and you yourself will be forgiven. We cursed Him; we abused Him and spat on Him. Finally, we nailed Him to the Cross and yet He prayed 'Father forgive them for they know not what they do' is that not enough lesson for you? In your case, who has nailed you on the Cross? Who has abused you? Who has done to you half of what was done to Christ? If all these things were done to Our Lord Jesus Christ and He prayed The Father to forgive them, you should also forgive those who offend against you.

THE KEY TO LIFE AND DEATH

Whoever does not forgive his brother has no share in this Kingdom. This is the very last Word of God, which holds the key of life and death. And so that God should not impute those sins unto them, you are told to love your enemies and pray for them because they are your hindrance. Right now, if the whole world accepts this teaching and forgives one another, we are all in heaven. It is not the sins that you commit which hinder you from entering into heaven, but the fact that you have refused to forgive those who sin against you. At all times, God honors His words. He is the Word and so He honors Himself. You will realize that all the inhabitants of the world are sinners. God knows this and has forgiven us. But He has given us a condition that as He has forgiven us, we should also not impute sins unto others.

The sins, which people commit against you, do not make you perish; but the sins, which you refuse to forgive others, make you perish. He knows everyone of us and our make. What you love, I do not love and what you hate, I love. And so the world is full of contradictions and sins. God knows about this but He has given us a condition that if your brother offends against you seven times and turns and asks for forgiveness each time, you should forgive him. What is not sinful to you is sinful to another person. What is good to you is evil to another person. What one town loves, the other town does not love. The result is that we have no peace. Our Lord Jesus Christ gave us His peace and so the children of God must be the children of peace. Let our First Lesson be read:

FIRST LESSON: LUKE 23: 34

"Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. And they parted His raiment, and cast lots."

After analyzing this statement would you accept that we know what we are doing? When God came down to the earth and people cursed Him and killed Him, do you think that they knew what they were doing? When they spat on Him and asked Him to mention who has slapped Him, do you think they knew what they were doing? When they called Him Beelzebub, mad man, The Son of Mary, did they know what they were doing? They did not.

ALWAYS PRAY FOR FORGIVENESS

Now that we continue to steal and fornicate would you say that we know what we are doing? We do not know ourselves. As the worldly people call Brotherhood Beelzebub and mermaid and juju, do you think that they know what they are doing? God will forgive whatever sin you commit but if you do not forgive your brother when he offends against you, then you stand condemned. This is The Gospel of Redemption. Right from today, do not impute sins unto any person. No matter what happens, pray that The Father should forgive them for they know not what they do. What has brought about your tribulations, afflictions and death is that you have shut the door of mercy against your brother. As you are here, is there any person who has not something against another person? That is your death. That is what has stopped you from entering into this Kingdom.

SINCE WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT WE DO, WE SHOULD ALWAYS BE FORGIVING

Has The Father not told you to forgive others their sins, no matter what they do to you? Has He not told us openly that if we do not forgive our brothers when they offend against us, He will not forgive us when we offend against Him? He says today, when you hear His voice, harden not your hearts. That was why when Stephen was stoned; he prayed that God should not lay that sin to their charge. Do not always offer, the kind of prayers which David, the

Psalmist prayed — that God should fight against those who fight against him. If you offer that kind of prayer, you are lost; you have heaped punishment upon yourself. Your prayer at all times should be: Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.

The person who calumniates that you kill and drink human blood would you say that he knows what he is saying? That person who says that you are worshipping man and that you are false prophets, does he know himself? Does he know what he is saying?

GOD DOES NOT IMPUTE SIN ON ANYONE

God has forgiven us all our sins, but if you fail to forgive those who sin against you, you have perished. You have heard the statement, which He made, that whoever speaks against The Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks evil against The Holy Spirit will not be forgiven neither in this world nor in the world to come. When Paul did not know Our Lord Jesus Christ and went about persecuting the church, did he know what he was doing, he received authority from the High Priests in Jerusalem to go to Damascus and arrest whoever calls on The Name of The Lord Jesus Christ. And when he arrested them he either killed or stoned or imprisoned them according to the orders given to him. He took it upon himself as a special assignment. When his eyes were opened to the truth, he said that he did those things when he did not yet believe, but God forgave him. And when we do something wrong, God overlooks it because He knows that we are men. The condition is that if somebody offends against you, you must forgive him. If God were to impute sins to us from the time of Adam, the world itself would have ceased to exist.

THE WISDOM OF THE WORLD IS FOOLISHNESS BEFORE GOD

We are sinful in our looks. We are sinful with the words of our mouths. We are sinful in our thoughts. We are sinful in our footsteps. There is nothing good in us whatsoever, but The Father forgives us because we do not know what we are doing. Is it not a thing of pity that right from Adam, there is no person who believes in God, there is none who keeps his words; but He has always forgiven us because He knows our frailty. He does not bother Himself. He does not seek to be known, but He knows us. He has given you the injunction, that you should forgive your brother whenever he sins against you. Upon all your striving to go to the moon and the depth of the ocean, in search of God, have you been endowed with this wisdom? The Word of God says that whoever thinks he is wise according to this world's standard should count himself as a fool in order to be wise. Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness before God. He catches the wise in his craftiness. Man knows nothing at all and the entire world is but empty. God knows that we are empty. The so-called learned men do not believe that God exists. They have gone to the moon and to the sun but cannot find God and so they conclude that He does not exist, and that you are entertaining a superstitious belief. They do not even believe in dreams. But God has forgiven them because they know not what they are

doing. God does not input this sin on man.

MAN IS NEVER AWARE OF HIS ACTIONS

We sometimes go to somebody and tell them to prepare us a prospective charm and he will go to the market and buy a ring. He gives this to you and advises you to call on it whenever you are in difficulty and it will save you. Does this person know himself? When you go to some villages, you will see shrines and idols around the place.

Do the people know what they are doing? Do you know that it is God who protects us? Do you know that it is God who feeds us? Those who are taken to the hospital it is God who heals them. He does all these but does not bandy words with you, because that is how He wants it. He does not seek to be known. He gives us food and life, He is The Doer of everything but who knows Him? There is none. He has forgiven us because we do not know what we do. God is not concerned with the sins we commit, whether we bow down to stones or rings or charms does, not bother Him a bit. He is not interested in what we do. But He has given us this injunction that if our brother sins against us seven times in a day and turns each time and asks for forgiveness, we should forgive him. That is what He wants.

IF YOU WANT PEACE FORGIVE ALL YOUR ADVERSARIES

Do you think a thief knows what he is doing? Do you think that necromancers and murderers know what they are doing? There is no person who knows what he is doing. That is why God does not impute any sin unto you. But one point is clear, if you do not forgive your brother when he offends against you, you will perish. Somebody has filled his house with all sorts of charms and preparations of concoctions, but he continues to be sick and his concoctions and charms cannot heal him. He is beset with problems all around. He is lacking in everything and knows every woe. Do you think that he knows what he is doing? Somebody has filled his house with money but he had no life. He is sick. He is beset with all sorts or problems. He has no peace. He has no joy and his money cannot save him. Do you think that he knows what he is doing? Finally, we brought nothing into this world and it is certain we shall not go away with anything. What kind of wrong would somebody do to you that you cannot forgive him? Brethren, I do not want to take you further, let our Second Lesson be read. Open your ears and hear because this is The Key of Life. All those who have offended you right from your childhood, you have to forgive all of them right from today so that you may have peace.

2ND LESSON: LUKE 17: 4

And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turns again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him."

Now that you are saying that witches will be burnt by fire, thieves and murderers will

all be burnt by fire, who then will remain? When you see a thief in any gathering, you begin to ask what a thief wants in that kind of gathering. What a murderer wants there? I ask, what about you; what are you and what do you want there? Think about it: we have gone round to all the native doctors, There is no sin which we have not been on the forefront But God has forgiven us all our sins.

CONDITION OF FORGIVENESS BY GOD

You say that this person has perished, the other person has lost. There is no person who is lost except the person who fails to forgive his brother his sins. Even though it is God who is doing all these works, who among us believe that it is God who is doing this work? Who among you believe, that it is God who gives vision and prayers? No matter what we do — whether we steal and fight and fornicate, God forgives us because He knows that we do not know what we are doing. Can you observe the fathomable of His Wisdom? Many of you complain that you have sinned and you doubt whether God will forgive such a sin. What kind of sin is there which God will not forgive when He knows that you do not know what you do? There is no sin, which God imputes on you. The only condition is that if your brother sins against you seven times and turns each time and asks for forgiveness, you should forgive him.

UPON THE SINFUL STATE OF THE WORLD, GOD SENT HIS BELOVED SON

If God did not love the world, how could He send His Only Begotten Son to come and die for us? Why God sent down His Son was that He should come and redeem us. Man had never wanted God, and life was rife with theft, murder, prostitution and all evils. We were quite satisfied in our sinful state and that was our heaven. No person looked for God. And, when Our Lord Jesus Christ came, no person regarded Him; yet still He said, Father forgive them for they know not what they do. That is why Christ said "I thank You Father, Lord of Heaven and Earth for thou hast hidden these things from the wise and the prudent and has revealed them unto babes; yea, Father for such is Thy Will. All things are given unto Me by My Father, no person knows The Father except The Son, and no person knows The Son except The Father and to whomsoever The Son will reveal Himself unto.

Can you see why God refers to man as sheep among all the beasts? You know that of all the animals, the sheep is the most stupid. You stay here and fight before the altar. You stay here and do all sorts of things but I do not budge, because you do not know what you are doing. Even if you spit on my face, I will resent not. Your problem is that if your brother offends against you seven times in one day and turns each time and asks for forgiveness, you do not forgive him. But you should forgive him. You should not impute any sin on him. The hen is more intelligent than the sheep. The goat and every other animal down to the ant are wiser than the sheep. The sheep is very stupid and that is man.

What offence has man committed against you? You have committed adultery with somebody's wife but when somebody lies with your wife, you vow that you will never forgive him and that till doomsday you will not exchange greetings with him. It then means that until you die, no person will exchange greetings with you. You have borrowed money from somebody and have not refunded it. Somebody borrows money from you and cannot pay back. You swear never to forgive him for what he has done to you. It means that you have perished because you are owing somebody some amount. You have to forgive him and let us continue to remain sheepish. God does not want us to know anything. He wants us to continue in this sheepish condition. He is speaking and doing everything. People are going to space in search of him but He laughs and does not lay it to our charge. He regards us as His puppets and He delights in this that we do not know Him. We try as much as we can to please God; but what can you do to please Him? He is always happy and pleased with Himself because He knows that we are sheep.

STOP SEARCHING FOR GOD

If we knew what we are doing, would you backslide from church worship because God has refused to grant you a certain request? If you do not go to church again what is that to God? If we knew ourselves, we would know His Word because His Word is truth. If you have been one who has been searching for God, do not search for Him again. The injunction He has given is that if your brother offends against you seven times in a day and turns to you each time and asks for forgiveness, you should forgive. Right from today do not impute sin unto any person no matter what he does. When you do this you are free. You will have peace and salvation. If you do not impute sins anymore unto others, you will be walking in the light and there is no darkness for you. You have peace all the time. That is freedom. As long as you do not impute sin unto others, God does not impute sin on you. Whatever a person, does to you forgive him; do not impute sin again unto others. The Word of God says that I am convinced that nothing is evil in itself but to him that esteems it as evil, it is evil to him. Brethren, I do not intend to take you further than this, let our Golden Text be read.

GOLDEN TEXT: MATTHEW 18:35

So likewise shall My Heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not everyone his brother their trespasses.

God says that He will repay you because vengeance is His. He vindicates the child and the female and the aged and the orphan. He vindicates all. In like manner whoever does not forgive his brother God will not forgive him. Whether you like to fast and pray, if you like, refrain from fornication, but as long as you do not forgive your brother, God will not forgive you.

FORGIVE YOUR BROTHER HIS TRESPASSES

Distribute all your money to the poor. Feed the hungry. Fast and prostrate on the ground, but as long as you do not forgive your brother, He will not also forgive you your sins. God will forgive you every sin, but if you do not forgive others, He will not forgive you your sin. Have you heard the text of today? Father forgive them, for they know not what they are doing. Forever and ever those who do not forgive will not know what they do. God has forgiven all our sins, because we do not know what we are doing. Forever and ever He has forgiven our sins. He has told us that if your brother offends against you seven times in a day and turns to you for forgiveness seven times, you should forgive him. Do not charge him one kobo. Do not be angry with him. Do not recall the matter again. This is the judgment and the Gospel of Redemption. If you do not forgive your brother his sins, your Father in heaven will also not forgive you forever and ever. Brethren, it is said that one stroke of the cane is sufficient unto the wise. I will not take you further. He, who has ears to hear, let him hear. May The Lord bless His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

THE MAN YOU SHOULD NOT PUT UP WITH

GoldenText:1 Corinthians 5: 13

"Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person."

My dear brethren, Do you know that right within you is the wicked one that has been tormenting you all these years? You cannot see him, yet he is there. This wicked one goes about masked, changing like a chameleon, and is more pestering than any fly or mosquito. The question now is not whether you like to harbor this wicked man, for nobody would. When you recognize him in one form, he changes into another, even more dangerous. In this gospel, this wicked man is going to be revealed. The safety and happiness of the whole world lies in her ability to recognize and get rid of this wicked man. Now examine yourself and see whether you have the spirit of drunkenness, pride, stubbornness, annoyance, fornication, greed and lust after worldly things. If you retain any of these, you have willfully harbored the wicked man to your own ruin. You are putting up with a Judas, and if you must not be doomed, you must remove him.

ARE YOU UNHAPPY? SEARCH YOURSELF

If you are unhappy, search yourself, and you will see that one of the above named bad spirits is behind it all. You may not like to offend your brother, but the wicked man in you forces you to. Our duty on earth is to remove this wicked man anywhere and in any form he exists.

HE APPEARS IN MANY FORMS

Recognize him just now. He is the wicked man who gives you bad advice, makes you to commit murder, spoils your good name, causes illness and death. He can use any person or thing as an instrument to ruin you. You are advised to remove such a person. Even if she is your mother, father or child, husband or wife, or a spirit that refuses to please God, even an angel that does not obey God. Anything that is a stumbling block to a brother is that wicked person.

REFUSE ADVICE FROM EVIL SPIRITS

People like to take any advice; once it is given by the Spirit. But I am telling you to refuse any advice from any spirit that is not in accordance with the gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ. There are many evil spirits that go about deceiving people. They say that The Holy Spirit is not in existence. They believe in necromancer and medicines.

ANGER IS EVIL

There are spirits, which tell you that fornication is no sin. These are not The Spirit of God. They should be removed from among you for they are the wicked ones. Do not be contented with removing only some of the evil acts; remove all. Anger is an evil act, it is very abnormal. See how queer some angry people are. Some do not get cross the moment they are abused, but unexpectedly fall out with anybody who may happen to praise them. Anger misplaces values. It can turn any good thing into evil. It should therefore be removed at all costs. The tongue is dangerous when wrongly used. Some people show kindness, but go about broadcasting how useless and hopeless the person they help is - mockingly talking about that person's poverty. Some people follow up their kindness with abuses. They use their kindness as a license to treat anybody anyhow. When kindness becomes a license to abuse, it is no more kindness but sin. Let us therefore try our best to remove the wicked man in whatever form we may find him so that we may be in peace with each other. The wicked man is responsible for all bad government and political chaos, and his ultimate removal is the only way to peace as illustrated in the story that follows:

ILLUSTRATION

Three children came from three neighboring cities to travel in a second-class train. They were the sons of kings. During a short introduction, they discovered that they were of the same age, started schooling the same year. They did not tell one another their destination. But they were surprised to find themselves alighting from the train at the same station. They were still more surprised to find that, they were going to the same house belonging to the headmaster who had served in the cities they came from. They knew this was with a purpose, but they could not say anything till it was proved. After welcoming them into his house, the headmaster asked the first boy: Has your father learned to be patient now? He asked the second boy breathlessly: "Has your father learned to finish any work he started?" And the third: "Has your father done away with stubbornness"? Seeing that these were the true characters of their father, these boys were very much ashamed so much that they went out and wept bitterly. Weeping was useless. One of them came up with an idea. He called the rest together and suggested that the boy whose father was never patient should go by the name Patience: the one whose father would never accomplish the work he started be named Accomplishment and the one whose father was stubborn go by the name Obedience. They all decided to come home and call the meeting of the three cities for the first time in history. With the facts of their experience, they convinced the people. They asked the three old kings to step down for them. This was done.

PEACE AND PROGRESS EVERYWHERE

These cities enjoyed peace and progress under the new young kings. Those who were exiled through the wickedness of the old kings returned to enjoy freedom. Other towns that had seceded in time of bad government returned to enjoy during the new peaceful regime.

ONLY KINDNESS CAN DRIVE AWAY WICKEDNESS

Therefore brethren, let us use good deeds to drive away bad ones. For only by so doing can we drive away the wicked person that is in our midst. Let us resist the desires of the flesh. Let us walk by The Spirit. If you do this, the wicked person is out already, and you are free. May God Bless His Holy Words. Amen.

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THANK YOU FATHER

REPENTANCE

1ST LESSON LUKE 5:32

I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

2nd LESSON LUKE 15:7

I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repented, more than over ninety-nine just persons, which need no repentance.

GOLDEN TEXT MATTHEW 11:20-21

Then began He to upbraid the cities wherein most of His Mighty Works were done, because they repented not: Woe unto thee, Chorazin! Woe unto thee, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

Can you not realize the mind of the Charity? You argue that you cannot discern the mind of another. I say you can. He said, I came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance. His contention is that after healing any person of his sickness, he should forsake sin. When He gives them bread and preaches The Word of God to them, they should forsake sins. Why He preached The Word of God and healed people free of charge and did many mighty works was to induce them to repent and forsake sins.

PECULIAR CHARACTERISTICS OF HUMAN BEINGS

It is said that two things take a bird to the stream, to bath and to drink. If somebody comes to your house, there is a reason for his coming. He expects something from you. We all have our own weaknesses. You can curse someone and he does not get angry because that is not his weak point. You can call someone a thief and he will not retort. You say that he is a good man. But he is not a good man. He has his own weak point. There is something that will cause him to flare up the moment you prick him. His source of anger may arise when somebody speaks evil about his father or his mother. Others are angry when you say they are thieves. Others are ready to forgive whoever owes them money; but he will tell you that any day that somebody meddles with his wife, he will terminate the person's life. And so if you owe him and he does not bother you, you will say that he is a very good man. I am telling you that he is not. If you go and touch his wife, he will break his head for you.

MEN'S IGNORANCE OF GOD'S REQUIREMENTS

It is the same thing with God. God desires that we should repent. When God feeds us, protects us, heals us, He is doing this because He wants to induce us to forsake sins. Do you not see that all those who argue that God does not require anything from them are lying?

God wants many things from us. God is not a fool to heal us free of charge, feed us and do many good works for us; He is expecting certain things from us. If somebody tells you that he is doing a certain thing for you gratis, he is telling a lie, there is something he expects. Our problem is that we do not know what God requires from us. That is why after healing our sickness we go back to commit sin. He saves us but we will continue in sin. Upon all the good things that God has bestowed on us, we still indulge in sin.

GOD'S INDUCEMENT

Who told you that God does not require anything from us? He said, I came not to call the righteous but the sinners to repentance. The reason He loves sinners is that sinners may repent, why He tolerates us and bestows good things on us is that we may repent. Because He does not rejoice over the death of the wicked. Sometimes He reveals Himself to you, sometimes He speaks to you, sometimes He gives you the ability at other times He bestows good things on you. He does all these things so that you may repent. He heals us free of charge. He takes all our problems, protects us, reveals Himself to us, converses with us and does everything to us so that we may repent. For all the good things God does for us, He expects this one thing: that we should forsake sins.

GOD REQUIRES THAT WE SHOULD ABSTAIN FROM SINS

Let no person again express that God does not require anything from us because this is not true. If He did not require anything from us, why would He give us life, husband, wife, money, children and all the good things of life? Have you ever seen a bird attracted to an unripe palm fruit? Why we offend God every second is that we do not know His mind. Everyday you complain that you do not know what you can do for God. God wants you to forsake sins. God requires neither gold, nor money nor food, nor houses but He wants you to repent and forsake sins. That is all God requires from us. Why God reveals Himself to you in the dream, in the world, speaks with you and does many things for you is that you may forsake sins.

MAN ONLY LACKS RIGHTEOUSNESS

If after God has revealed Himself to you, has healed your sickness, has solved all your problems and has taken away your difficulties, and you refuse to forsake sins, your last state will be worse than the beginning. There is nothing that man lacks except righteousness. The only good that you can do to your fellow man is to make him forsake sin. Giving money, house or motor car to someone does not save him, the only good that he can profit from you, is to make him refrain from sin. Whoever converts a sinner from his evil way has saved his soul, and will save himself. If somebody is a drunkard and you stop him from drinking, you have done a great thing for him because you have saved his soul. If someone is a sorcerer or a necromancer and you remove him from these evil practices, you have saved his soul. If you

convert a fornicator from his evil ways, you have saved his soul and you have done a very useful thing to him. No matter how much money you give to God, no matter how much food you present to him, no matter the amount or the number of children you have, these do not please God. What pleases God is that you should forsake sins and follow Him. If you have a child and you name him after God, you call her Mary, this does not please God. All that God wants is that you should forsake sins. If you like to pay your tithe in the millions, if you like to build houses from here to London and surrender them to God, these acts do not please God. Repent and forsake sins because this is what is pleasing to God. Whoever wants to please God should forsake sins.

THE PURPOSE OF THE LORD'S VISITATION

Why did Our Lord Jesus Christ come down to earth? He came so that we might forsake sins. God wanted to destroy the world because of sin but Christ volunteered to come and shed His blood, so that we may repent. And so whoever does not repent has a double punishment because you have crucified Christ the second time and exposed Him to an open shame. That is why He told them: if I have not done these mighty works in your midst you would have an excuse, but now that I have showed all these mighty works in your midst, you have no defense to make. If God reveals Himself to you, He does it so that you may forsake sin. If you are sick, and God heals you, He does it so that you may forsake sin. If you sing and dance to God but what God wants is that you should forsake sin. Remember the blind man whose eyes He opened. When He found him again in the temple, He told him: "see you are now whole, sin no more, lest worse things come unto thee."

GOD'S ONLY REQUIREMENT OF MAN

It is double punishment for whoever God has saved and goes back to indulge himself in sin. There is no point coming to confess that you have committed fornication, theft, anger, falsehood and have indulged in the preparations of concoctions, because God has warned you to refrain from these sins and He does not expect you to go back to them. You argue that you do not know what God requires of you but right now do you not know what He requires of you? He wants you to refrain from sin. From the beginning of the world, Noah preached about repentance, Christ preached on it. All the prophets preached that people should repent and forsake sin. In your case, it is the quest for money, for food, for husband, for wives, for houses, for power and for all mundane things. But God wants only one thing: it is that we should forsake sin.

Fortunately all that we ask of God, He does it for us. Unfortunately the one thing God has asked of us to do, we refuse. It is a pitiful thing that the entire world should deny God for the single request which He makes to us. God does not require money or house or car from us; all that He requires of us is that we should abstain from sin. Put this injunction to test right from this night, refrain from sin and see if God will not exalt you and bestow every good

thing unto you, and there will be great joy in heaven. Brethren, we do not want to be tedious with you because this is a very short gospel, but weighty. Let our First Lesson be read.

1ST LESSON: LUKE 5:32

I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Have you heard that? My friend, have you repented? Sinners have you repented? Visionaries, charm remover, singer, preacher, have you repented? For twenty years now you are singing and dancing to your God, but have you repented? Because that is the only thing God requires from you.

THERE IS JOY IN HEAVEN OVER ALL REPENTED SINNERS

Right from the day you commit sin, you are lost, you have no fellowship with God and you are dead. All sinners have their names in the book of death. God wants your name to be removed from the book of death into The Book of Life. When you repent and forsake sin, God will be happy with you. All those who commit sin are not the Children of God. God has no business with them. His only business is with those who obey Him and forsake sin. He says that He is not God of the dead but of the living. He is not God of the wicked but of the righteous.

And so whenever you repent from your sins and do good there is great joy in heaven. God can give the whole world to you out of joy. He does not require anything from us than for us to abstain from sin. I always feel sorry when I hear someone saying that God loves him and yet continues to sin. God loves you and you are still telling lies, you are drinking, you are indulging in the preparation of concoction and other sins. Is that how you are repaying Him? God gives you promotion at your place of work and you buy drinks and invite people to celebrate with you, you spend the money derived from the promotion to buy different things. You commit acts which do not give glory to God. Is that how you are repaying God? Can you not see that until now, even you in Brotherhood do not know what God requires of you? Upon all the love you have for God, if you were to know what God loves, I do not think that you would commit sin. I believe that right from this night, none of you will commit sin again since you love God.

IT IS BETTER TO HEARKEN UNTO GOD THAN UNTO MEN

There is great joy in heaven. What God wishes to do this year for His children who refrain from sin is very great. Do you not realize how God loves Brotherhood? Brotherhood does not do anything. It is where you do not commit sin and you love every person. That is all that God requires from you. Do not pour libations, do not indulge in diabolism, do not drink. That is why God has highly exalted Brotherhood. That is why when the rulers commanded Peter and John not to speak at all nor teach in The Name of Jesus, Peter and John answered

and said unto them, "whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God." If somebody pleads with you to tell a lie and gives you one million dollars, of what value is it if you offend God, and have destroyed your soul and are separated from God. If somebody buys a motorcar for you or builds a house for you because he has committed fornication with you, of what use is that house or motor car since your soul has already perished?

EMULATE JOSEPH

Look at Joseph, when his master's wife asked him to lie with her, Joseph said to her, "there is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back anything from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God"? The moment you know what God loves and what He hates you are free. Upon the thousands of years you have been on earth, you have been roaming about like sheep without a shepherd. You say that you do not know what God loves and you do not know what He hates. Sunday night is always a night for wonderful sermons. I believe that I will receive this gospel tomorrow so that it may be made into a pamphlet and distributed to the whole world to enable them to know what God requires of them.

VIRGINS AND THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Whenever we steal, or tell lies, or fornicate, or drink, indulge in the preparation of concoction, or commit sin there is great sorrow in heaven. But whenever we repent and forsake sin, there is great joy in heaven. When many people hear that we are looking for virgins, they begin to ask what the virgins are coming to do because they have no money. Even the virgins do not know the important thing they have done. But I am telling you that they have done a great thing in the sight of God. There is great joy in heaven over one virgin who surrenders himself to God. Even you do not know what a virgin is. Upon all the love you have for God if you were to know what a virgin is before God, you would become a virgin overnight.

THE EUNUCHS

There are eunuchs who are born eunuchs. There are other eunuchs who are made eunuchs by man. And there are other eunuchs who made themselves eunuchs for the sake of The Kingdom of God. That is why He says that we should repent. Repentance implies surrendering yourself completely. Why we do this is that He may take us unto Himself and through us to save the entire world. We are co-laborers with God. We are God's husbandry. We are God's building. Do not allow any person to deceive you that there is anything pleasing to God apart from our abstinence from sin. David was a rich man and he decided that he was going to build a house for God. God told him not to build him a house his hands were soiled. God does not accept the sacrifice of the wicked. He has no business with sin.

If you are left with just one iota of sin, God has no business with you. The moment you commit sin and call upon God, he does not listen to you. If you dance, God has no pleasure in it. What He wants is that you should forsake sins. The world is to be pitied because you do not know what your father hates and what He loves. What you are hearing now is the only thing God loves. If you want to see the glory of God in you and around you, abstain from sin.

ABSTAIN FROM ALL APPEARANCES OF EVIL

There is great joy in heaven over one sinner who repents and forsakes sin. Do not complain that you have no money and no soutane to wear to church. These are nothing before God. Do not complain that your mates all have got children, own houses and bought cars, these things are nothing before God. The only thing that God requires of us is that we forsake sin.

If you build houses from here to Africa and overlay them with gold, you seek food for everyone; God has no business with any of these things. Even if you are as many as the sands on the sea shore, no matter how well you can speak the English language, God does not rejoice in these, what He requires is that you forsake sin. All those who commit sin are the lost sheep. They are all a loss to God. Christ shed His blood so that we may be saved, but we made His blood of none effect. Well call on Jesus but He has no meaning on our lives. Building costly houses and decorating them with gold is meaningless.

The only thing that God requires of each of us is that we forsake sin. That is the only thing that pleases God. That is why Paul said, what things were gain to me, I count them but lost that I may gain The Excellency of The knowledge of Christ, God hates what evil is and loves what is good. When Christ did not drink the cup of woe and sins of the world, no one arrested Him because God was always with Him. Immediately He drank of that cup, God forsook Him. They spat on Him, they slapped Him and asked Him to mention who has slapped Him but He could do nothing. That was why when He was crucified He cried, my God, my God why hast thou forsaken me? If it were not that He had carried upon Himself our own sins who would have arrested Him? He would be moving about without any person touching Him. That is why He says you should not fear that which can kill flesh only, but cannot kill the soul. What can kill both the body and the soul? It is sin. Let our Second Lesson be read so that when you complain about the number of years you have been in Brotherhood, you have tried to forsake sins without success. I am telling you that you have not made any effort and you do not know what God loves.

SECOND LESSON LUKE 15:7

I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repented, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

Many of us think that during any launching here, if you do not give a thousand dollars, you are not a man of God. That you will be laughed at when you give fifty dollars. You are laughing at yourself. God has no concern with that. He wants every person to refrain from sin. Many of us refuse to come for worship because we do not have the white soutane? What is the white soutane before God? The moment you forsake sins, you have got the white soutane.

REPENTANCE SUBSUMES JOY

When you abstain from sins, God will clothe you with righteousness. Have you not seen how there is great joy in heaven? The whole world is shaking because of Brotherhood. You know that it was because of the sin of Adam that he was driven out of the Garden of Eden. If they did not commit sin, they would have remained still in the Garden. And there was neither hunger nor sickness, nor problems of any kind. Therefore as by the offense of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one, the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. The lost Eden has now been regained. You look at it as insignificant, but you do not know that you have attained the position, which Adam fell from. Right now all the angels bow before you. The joy that is in heaven concerning this glory is very great. What is the cause of the joy? It is because of one sinner who repents. But now we have more than one sinner who has repented, some are vegetarians and have forsaken every sin. When you complain that you have nothing, He does not require anything from you. The moment you forsake sin, that is all. In the past time, you did not know what sin is. All the churches in the world do not know what sin is but today when you commit sin, you know that you have committed sin. And whenever you ask God for forgiveness He forgives you.

HOW MANY SINNERS HAVE REPENTED

You are aware that in Brotherhood, money is nothing, children are nothing, and houses are nothing. The important thing here is for you to refrain from sin because if you continue to sin you are lost. All those who commit sin are under death. That is why it is said that we have passed from death into life because we love the brethren. Can you not realize that there is great joy in heaven over one sinner who repents? But here is a situation very many sinners have repented. And so there is great joy indeed in heaven. It is said that heaven shall rejoice when one sinner repents and follows God. Go and sing this song to the entire world because Satan has vowed that Christ will not have any followers. But right now the Children of God have filled the entire world.

THE RAPID GROWTH OF BROTHERHOOD

People are mesmerized at the growth of Brotherhood. Every day Brotherhood continues to soar unto greater heights and it has not yet reached its zenith. Brotherhood will be so great that you will not hear of any other thing. Because there is great joy in heaven. Man

did not hope that he will return to Eden. Right now you are in the Eden and the angels are worshipping you. Trees, death, whites, blacks, and even the creation is under your feet. No person had hoped that Adam would ever regain his lost glory again. Fortunately, he has been restored to his first position. The animal that belongs to The King is still for The King. Man has been seated on that throne of glory again. Can you realize or see the cause of this joy? Have you ever seen a government without an army and it survives? You have heard that when God brings in The First Begotten into the world, He says "and let all the angels of God worship Him." Right now all the angels who are in heaven and on earth are worshipping Him. There is nothing in Brotherhood other than for you to forsake sin. That is why you should be careful that you do not commit any sin. Do not pour libation.

All that you are told not to do refrain from them. The world will lack food and clothing. There will be sickness and deaths. But nothing will happen to Brotherhood. Every day food, wealth, health, joy, peace and glory will flourish here.

ALWAYS SEEK TO PLEASE GOD

I purposely use to call converts to give a testimony so that you may know the sufferings that is in the world. If you know what transpires in the world for one day, you would realize that the world is to be pitied. Fire is burning them every day and they are in real hell. Right from now, rather than for you to go and offend God, offend man because if you offend God you are finished. Do not live to please yourself and do not live to please any other person. Live to please God and you will have no problems. All those whom God has saved and they refuse to repent, their punishment has neither beginning nor end. It is eternal. That is why the scriptures say that whoever has tested the goodness of this glory and goes back to defile himself in the world his last state is worse than the first. It were better for you not to have seen this Kingdom at all; than after coming to see this Kingdom you go back into the world. Brethren, let the Golden Text be read. Listen attentively, so that you may realize that all what we preached to you from Monday to Sunday is for you to refrain from sin. Because the moment you forsake sins, you have no problems again.

GOLDEN TEXT MATTHEW 11:20-21

Then began He to upbraid the cities wherein most of His Mighty Works were done, because they repented not. Woe unto thee, Chorazin! Woe unto thee, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

Have you not seen that? When you complain that, when you first went into Brotherhood, your faith was very strong. What has happened now? Have you not gone back to commit fornication and drink and defile yourself? That is the statement that was made to that man: now you are made whole, sin no more lest worse things befall you. When God has saved any person and he goes back to commit sin, his punishment is double.

WHY MANY PEOPLE LACK PEACE

That is what awaits all those to whom God has revealed Himself, and has changed them but they become again entangled in sin. That is why you can go to somebody's house and find food, money, cars, but there is no peace. He is complaining of trouble from witches and enemies. No enemy or witch is troubling you. What is troubling you is your own sin because you are under a cure. Why should you regard God as prayers? Why should you regard God as a sorcerer? Why should you regard God as a preacher? Is that not an insult? Tomorrow you assert that God should pray for you so that you may have money. The next day you send a letter to God so that He can take away your court case, or so that you may have children and motorcars, when did this insult begin?

REPENT AND BE SAVED

Have you not heard the Golden Text? Our Lord Jesus Christ pronounced curses on those two cities which He had done mighty works but they refused to repent. Do you not then understand the First Lesson, which says "I came not to call the righteous but sinners unto repentance?"

Again "there is great joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than the ninety-nine, who have no need for repentance". All those whom God has saved and yet they continue in sin are under a cure forever, because they have crucified Christ the second time and have exposed Him to an open shame. The only thing that lies before us is for us to abstain from sin and follow Him. If we were to forsake sins, we would not lack anything, there would be no shame or disgrace for us, there would be no evil afflicting us. Try it and see! The moment you repent and forsake sin, wealth, food, money, cloths, everything will be flowing to you because He owns everything. Brethren, one stroke of the cane is sufficient unto the wise. He, who has ears, let him hear. May God bless His Words. Amen.

Sermon Delivered By The Father Leader Olumba Olumba Obu.

THANK YOU FATHER

WHY YOUR PRAYERS ARE NOT ANSWERED

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 5:23-24

Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: 1 JOHN 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

GOLDEN TEXT: 2 Peter 1:5-9

And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith, virtue; and to virtue, knowledge; and to knowledge, temperance; and to temperance, patience; and to patience, Godliness; and to Godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of Our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

THERE IS NEED FOR CONSIDERATION:

Beloved, the three texts above form the basis of this sermon. All the problems that befall you come from your inability to practice The Scriptures highlighted above. It is said that charity begins at home. Therefore if you do not know how to arrange your house, you are bound to have problems. A good student normally studies or does his revision at home so that when he gets to school, he easily recollects what he had studied and as quickly puts them to use. But a bad student is in the habit of dumping his books carelessly at home. He would then involve himself in non-academic activities. By doing this he will surely fail his examinations in the end. This is because he has failed to practice what he was taught. That is the reason why those who claim to be wise are often termed as fools, for they are generally proud and boastful. They are always taking everything for granted. But anybody who humbles himself would study hard, giving regards to everything; and at the end, he benefits from the experience; thus having a good result. Hence it is said that when you take good care of a tree, it will yield good fruits.

GUARD AGAINST EVIL ACTS:

Many of you in the past had engaged yourselves in one evil act or the other, but when you come here, you tried and changed for the better. But the question now is who do you

think the person whose property you had stolen will regard you as when he sees you now? There are still a lot of things for you to learn in this Kingdom, which you did not know.

This is so because I am teaching you gradually, knowing fully well that you are mere beginners, else you become confused and run away. Many of you seem to be good only when you come in here, but outside here you are something else. Such behavior is best regarded as politicking before God. If you do not exhibit a good conduct in your home, how will it be possible for you to act well outside? This explains the reason why our brother Paul stated that brethren should not try to beg people to emulate him in his presence, that they should voluntarily emulate his ways of life when he is not with them.

INDELIBLE (UNHEALING) SCARS:

Now brethren, there is no need for long preaching; for this is the period of "THE CHANGE OVER." I just want to elaborate on certain aspects so that we can land safely. You may offend somebody today, and feel that the person will easily forget it. But surprisingly for you, one day, when he or she sees you, the offense is recalled in his memory. Such events constitute the barrier for your future progress. That is why you are advised that whenever you want to give an offering to God, if you suddenly remember that you had offended your brother, you have to drop that offering there, run back home, and make peace with him. Thereafter, you can go back to continue to make the offering. Read again the First Lesson.

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 5:23-24

Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

A SIN IS SIN:

Brethren, how many of you have been practicing this Gospel? Some of you do not even know the meaning of it. No matter how minute you think your sin is, it remains a sin forever. For this reason, you will see some people who have been steadfast with God for three years or more, suddenly becoming confused, and finally backsliding and becoming juju men, and begin to practice diabolism. What constitutes such peoples problem is lack of practicing this Gospel. In fact such people have never served God at all. They merely started it haphazardly, hence they fell apart.

You must first clear the bush before setting it to fire; otherwise the fire will not burn. If I want to take time and really expatiate on this Gospel, you will know that none of you is worthy to declare himself as being anything. Some of you have been engaged in one problem or the other without trying to make peace. You should know that peace making is the most

important thing in the life of a Child of God. Therefore, since this knowledge has been imparted to you today, go then and make peace with your brothers.

This Gospel is brought to you, to effect changes in you. It is to straighten whatsoever was crooked in your bodies and ways of life. Therefore start now to make peace with your brother.

SHUN SIN:

Sin is the most dreaded thing a man should not indulge in. It is what keeps the entire world in this deplorable condition. Hence you are advised not to commit any sin. Anybody who commits sin has no peace in this life. No matter how small the sin you commit maybe, it remains a sin and nothing can change it from being a sin. Even if you fast for 40 days and 40 nights, you cannot stop it from being a sin, after you have committed it.

PEACE IS THE FOUNDATION STONE OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD:

Furthermore, I want you to realize that God and man are one, and that whenever you see a man, you are seeing God. No matter how small a human being maybe, you do not have to joke with him. If you commit abortion, you have killed someone, no matter how insignificant the fetus would be considered.

Brethren, this is not the time to preach long Gospels. Rather it is the time for you to make peace with the person you have offended. This is the first and foremost thing for you to do in order to progress. Indeed this is the foundation stone of this kingdom. Go and make peace with your brother, for this will help you move forward instead of backsliding. Whatever sin you might have committed before your baptism into this kingdom, confess it and then make peace with the person you had offended. It is for this reason that I keep on reminding you of the importance of being remorseful over your sins. If you do not repent of your sins, you cannot do anything righteous. Also if you do not confess your sin, there is nothing righteous that can come your way. Some of you think that when you donate fact sums of money, your sins will be forgiven. Such a belief is fallacious. If you do not make peace with the person you have offended, whether that person is a day old child or not, you are not worthy before God. I have been telling you several times not to joke with your fellow human being, whether young or old, sick or healthy.

Hitherto, you did not believe that man is God. The moment you flog or abuse a child you are doing it directly unto God. Hence anytime you want to donate anything to God, whether it is 100 million, first of all, go back and make peace with those you had offended. This you must do before your aiming at pleasing God. I am telling you the truth. It is not at all beneficial for anybody to commit sin. No matter what somebody does against you, you do not need to retaliate; for no matter how tiny you claim your sin is, it will still remain a sin.

Recall what happened to Ruben when he lustfully had fun with his father's wife. When his father was about to die, he cursed him and said that although he was his first son, he would never prosper in his lifetime. Hence you find these numerous poor people in the world today. They are from the tribe of Ruben. No matter what you give them, they never prosper, for they have defiled their father's bed. The same thing applies to Simeon and Levi who killed their brother-in-law. Their father also cursed them, as he said, since they had killed their brother-in-law, they must also be killed with machetes.

Therefore brethren, go now and make peace with your offenders while you are yet on the course of ministering for God. Otherwise you would be wasting your time. Brethren, do not entertain any doubts over this issue, so I know that some people will regard curses as mere pronouncements. If Ruben, Simeon and Levi had known the resultant effect of their actions, they would have remorsefully reconciled with their father. It is said that the sin somebody had committed certainly lives after that person. Unfortunately, all those who blaspheme against The Holy Spirit shall never be forgiven. And this is the right time for everybody to show regret for whatsoever sin he or she might have committed. Whether you sinned against your father, mother, child, brother, sister, grandfather, grandmother, neighbor, etc., go and reconcile with them.

Some of you committed a very great sin by planning with your wife to abort an unwanted pregnancy. Although you had not succeeded in aborting it, yet it was a great sin. Therefore this is the right time for you to call your wife and tell her the plan was not good, that she should forgive you. Your wife should also do the same thing to you.

YOUR SINS CONSTITUTE STUMBLING BLOCKS

This is an illustration about a certain bishop who had died, but rose up again. When he was about to be buried, his corpse was taken in a coffin to the church for the last blessing. There in the church, while the choir was singing, the members heard a certain noise inside the coffin, they had then rushed and opened it and behold, and the bishop had risen. When he was brought out he told the people that in the world beyond, he was not allowed to pass in. That as he was going, he went across two separate roads. One road was marked "Pagans" and the other road was marked "Christians." He instinctively made his way towards the road marked "Christians," and the guards there stopped him in his tracks. He then therefore tried to take the road marked "Pagans" but the people there also tried to stop him. They told him to go back. He was at that instance taken to a certain place where the names of those he had dealt with drastically when he was alive were written. As those names were shown to him, he was ordered quickly return to the world and make peace with all those people he had offended.

After that the bishop was returned to the world with the strong warning that he should reconcile with all his offenders and those that he has also offended. He was further told that

when he would return to the world beyond, the entire road for Christians would be free for him. When he finished telling the people of this story, he managed to move from house to house, meeting with those whom he had offended, pleading and making peace with them. It took him exactly 3 weeks to completely accomplish this task. Therefore beloved brethren, what about that person you quarreled with yesterday, have you yet made peace with him?

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: 1 JOHN 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

THIS IS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD

Beloved brethren, do you know the reason why God is keeping you alive up till this date? The reason is so that you may reconcile with your adversaries and confess all your sins. God is the father of love, peace, mercy, etc. Therefore you must reciprocate his love by reconciling with your offenders so that you may be forgiven and made whole by God.

Even when a cow gives birth to its young one, it lovingly uses its tongue to clean it well, that it may look nice for people to see. In this way, you as a human being must free yourselves from sins by confessing, regretting, and refraining from all your sins. Anytime you want to pray, do not forget to pray for the people you have offended. Pray for their well-being and also, do not forget to confess your sins. It is indeed essential that you should not ignore your offenders. Do not keep on abusing them. But forgive them, and take them as your own. Make peace with them now, for this is the reason why God is sustaining you. God's intention for you is that in the end you will inherit the everlasting glory awaiting you in this kingdom. A wonderful opportunity for all:

The holy change over week of reconciliation, the week of peace making, the week of visitation to all the sick and needy people and all our brethren. It is the week of joy, peace, freedom, etc., for all the children of God. This is the week to glorify God. This is the week to show the greatest appreciation to God.

If you do not use this change over week to be appreciative to God for all the things he has been doing for you, how then will it be possible for you to receive more from him? This is the best time for you to reconcile with those you have offended. Maybe you offended them by stealing their property, maybe you fought with them, or you may have quarreled with them because of boyfriend or girlfriend issues. Though you might have sworn never to exchange pleasantries again with them in your lifetime, this is the right time for you to reconcile with them. God is very loving and merciful; therefore if you regret your sins, he will surely forgive you.

BE REMORSEFUL

Do not claim to be righteous, and do not inquire about other's activities for nobody is righteous except God. Christ had said, even in Luke 18:19 and Romans 3:10 that it is only The Father who is righteous. Therefore do not see yourself as being righteous, but always pray to the father to forgive all your transgressions, for you are not worthy in any form. Re-examine the Golden Text.

GOLDEN TEXT: 2 PETER 1:5-9

And besides this, giving all diligence, add to your faith, virtue; and to virtue, knowledge; and to knowledge, temperance; and to temperance, patience; and to patience, Godliness; and to Godliness, brotherly kindness and to brotherly kindness, charity. For if these things be in you, and bound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of Our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see a far off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

SPIRITUAL CHORUS:

When I remember what God has done for me, I will forever follow Him without turning back.

What will make you, brethren, to derail henceforth, from the path of righteousness? What can separate you from the love of God? Remember that Christ died for you; therefore if you love Christ you must be loving, peaceful, merciful, tolerant etc., to others. Try to put this Gospel into practice by loving, forgiving, making peace with one another, and also giving food and clothing and money to the needy people. When you do these, you will become a new person entirely. A stroke of the cane is sufficient to the wise. Let he who has ears to hear, what The Holy Spirit has imparted to the world. May God Bless His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

THE END OF TIME

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 12:29

Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? And then he will spoil his house.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 11:28

Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

GOLDEN TEXT: ROMANS 10:12-13

For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. For whosoever shall call upon The Name of the Lord shall be saved.

INTRODUCTORY CHORUS

Call upon me in the time of trouble, call upon me I will answer you.

YOUR REAL SOURCE OF HELP

Brethren, the above song forms the theme of this Gospel. Many people think that there exists another source of salvation other than calling on the name of God. This is the end of time that had been foretold. It is a time that had often been foretold. It is a time in which all the inhabitants of this earth should go to God on bended knees. It is therefore practically unprofitable and a sheer waste of time, energy, and money for any man to go to the native doctor, soothsayer, or medical doctor for a cure or salvation. Seek after God and go to him urgently and on bended knees. Go to God with all your problems for he will not fail to answer you. Whatever diagnosis a physician, a necromancer, or a seer may come up with as regards to your problem, is false; and the solution to your problem lies not with them. The only solution to the problem of mankind lies in seeking for God. Go to him on bended knees and in supplication and with a penitent heart, for he will surely receive you.

You should prostrate before him and confess your sins for he alone is capable of forgiving you. No physician or native doctor or seer, can answer you when you are faced with problems. None of them can forgive you of your transgressions or change you. Only The Holy Spirit is capable of doing this. Go to God for he alone has the answer to all your problems. Mankind has rebelled against his Creator, becoming the Biblical prodigal son. The parable of Our Lord Jesus Christ has thus been fulfilled this day. It is high time we all turned to God or else it will be too late. This is not a period to request for mundane things.

Now is time for us all to present ourselves before God and ask Him to use us in accordance with His Will. This is the time of mercy, and the door of compassion has been

flung open to mankind. The end of time is drawing nigh and repentance might be rather late for any man who fails to take this opportunity.

THE SOURCE OF YOUR PROBLEM

Your problems do not come from your parents, husband, wife, children, community, or government, but from the sins you commit and you have refused to refrain from. Our Lord Jesus Christ did illustrate it well in the parable of the prodigal son. A certain man had two sons, one day, the younger of the two sons met his father and requested for his own share of the father's inheritance. His father obliged and gave him his share accordingly. After taking it, the son departed to a strange land. There, he squandered the whole wealth in drinking, smoking, enjoying with women generally, and living a deplorable life. He eventually exhausted the whole money and begged to be given remnants of food usually thrown to pigs. One day after much suffering, he regained his senses and remembered his father's estate with many laborers, and how he used to feed them. So he finally resolved to return to his father. He summoned up courage to go to his father on bended knees and with a penitent heart. He said: "I will arise and go to my father and will say unto him, father, I have offended against heaven and before thee, I am not worthy to be called thy son, but take me back as one of your hired servants. (Luke 15:11-12)

It is therefore the height of insolence and disregard for anyone to ask God to give him a child, wife, husband, money, or anything. Man should always be praying to God for forgiveness of his sins, because man has derailed from the path of rectitude and man has fallen short of God's grace. What we should do daily is to confess our sins and ask God for his forgiveness. That is exactly what is expected of all human beings, irrespective of your race and color. This too is the cause of untold hardship and suffering in the world today. The present situation of things in the world is the result of God's presence on earth.

He wants the entire humanity to worship him with penitent hearts. Let no man contemplate suicide as a solution to the present situation in the world. Do not think of running away from your country to any other place because He is everywhere. Whether you climb to the peak of a mountain, or go into the abyss, there is no salvation for you except you come to God on bended knees. None of these things and places hold salvation for man. If you come to him with a penitent heart, he will surely wipe away both your sins and tears. For he is God of mercy and compassion and he is ever ready and willing to forgive anyone who is penitent. If any person should trace your problems to juju, witchcraft, apparition, mermaid, or any evil force, do not believe. The real source of your problem is your sinfulness. The people of the world are so afflicted because they have forsaken God and stood far away from Him. As the heaven is higher than the earth, so also is God's wisdom beyond human comprehension. (Isaiah 55:9) The First Lesson states clearly that man is the architect of his fate. It is also

stated in the scripture that: for whom the lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

Hebrews 12:6

No person therefore can get into the house of a strong man and plunder his goods except he binds his hands and legs first. Therefore God has not only bound the hands and legs of the entire inhabitants of the world, but He has also sealed their eyes and ears.

Both the white and black races claim to be wiser than God and some claim that God does not exist at all. The question is: "Are men able to detect the source of their affliction?" Those who claim to be God, have they been able to provide solutions to the world's problems? Can you imagine God's patience and mercy? The whites have tried their utmost to create a human being and other things far beyond their knowledge. This explains why they (the whites) arrogate to themselves the status of Gods and would not believe that God exists at all. No man takes God and His affairs seriously. People keep on enlisting the help of secret societies and cults, in search of powers. They research into various spheres, scientifically and spiritually, but to no avail. These are mere exercises in futility. They can never get any meaningful solutions to the real problem that way.

Church denominations are founded all over the world. Some are named after families that founded them. But has that provided the solution to man's problems? All these things that men do are meant to glorify themselves. Neither the church denominations nor any group of people have provided any solutions to the world's problems. When God deemed it fit to send His Only Begotten Son to earth, He first of all sent John the Baptist as His forerunner. Man had fallen short of God's glory and grace. That was why He sent His Only Begotten Son to come and shed His precious blood for the remission of man's sins and to draw man close to God.

Christ Himself did say: "Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away, for if I go not away, The Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you." (John 16:7).

He also said in another passage: "I have many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit, when He, The Spirit of Truth is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak; and He will show you things to come. He shall glorify me for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you. All things that The Father hath are mine: therefore said I that He shall take of mine and shall show it unto you." (John 16:12-15) How many church denominations and individuals have practiced the injunctions of Our Lord Jesus Christ? Rather, mankind is busy with learning things of the world- carnal teachings that would lead him only to destruction. It is worthy of note that money, knowledge of science and technology or secret societies cannot bring salvation to mankind. This time is hard and unfavorable for anybody

who wishes to continue in disobedience and sinfulness. It is really pathetic that the inhabitants of the world have eyes but cannot see, they have ears, but they cannot hear, and they have minds but they cannot think. Man thus is ignorant of what is happening around him. He has failed to give a thought to the events around him and their causes. Take this message to all the corners and to all countries of the world. Take it to the blacks, the whites, young or old, rich or poor; take it to the weak, the strong and to the governments all over the world.

They should be informed that they themselves are the sources of their problems; that they have forsaken God who created heaven and earth and all the things therein. As a result of this disobedience, God has personally tied the hands and legs of man. Man must surrender to his Creator, recognize and worship Him. In order to have peace, it is a must that man should listen to the instructions of God and carry them out. Man should pray fervently for himself.

THE REIGN OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

This is the reign of The Holy Spirit, which is built on love, truth, peace, perseverance, mercy, and all the virtues. People continue to steal, quarrel, fight, and kill, indulge in idolatry and live abominably. Do you not know that now is the reign of The Holy Spirit, which is built on love? It is stated in the scripture that: Where there is no vision the people perish. (Proverbs 29:18). Therefore, this is a golden opportunity for all to hearken to His clarion call and repent. The entire world is still filled with sins. That is why the people are now tied, both hands and legs in order to bring them to submission. Governments, business organizations, churches and indeed the entire inhabitants of the earth are rendered weak and incapacitated. Instead of progress, there is now retrogression as a result of the disobedience of mankind. Famine, diseases, wars and various pestilences are the order of the day, far beyond the understanding of man. Nobody knows the solutions to these problems. The answer is simple: let us all turn to God on bended knees and with pertinent hearts, for he will save us.

Meetings and conferences are held daily the world over, and decisions are taken, yet, there is no solution. Researches are done and treatises written on various problems, yet the problems are far from any solution. All these efforts are in vain. The only solution to man's problem is God himself who gives salvation and peace. Are people not aware of the fact that their suffering and predicaments are clear indication of God's displeasure with human activities? For man to experience peace and joy and prosperity, he must flee from evil and refrain from sins. The academics, the technocrats and scientists are at their wits end. The soothsayer and seers cannot predict or foretell anything meaningful. Industries all over the globe are folding up. What is responsible for all these? It is a clear indication of God's hand in the affairs of man and a manifestation of His wrath upon the world.

The only solution for man is to retrace his steps by going back to God his Creator. Whatever man is experiencing now is the tip of the iceberg, in other words, it is a police action because the real calamity is yet to come. Withdraw your membership of secret societies, refrain from stealing, smoking, drinking, and other forms of vices, and go to God with a penitent heart. Nobody should waste his time and energy condemning another person or church denomination. That alone is like adding salt to injury. God has not taken the people of the world unawares with the situation they find themselves. These are the things that have long been spoken of. If you refer to The Gospel, you will see everything clearly stated by God that, He would shake both the heavens and the earth at the close of the age. Therefore do not go to any person, seeking for salvation, for he, the Holy Spirit, has incapacitated everybody, and he has rendered human knowledge useless. Re-examine your life and ways now.

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 12:29

Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man and then he will spoil his house.

WHERE ARE THE MEN OF VALOR?

Where are the mighty men of the world today? Where are the most powerful witch doctors and necromancers? Where are the world's eminent scientists, astrologers, the economists and the world leaders? Have they been able to provide any solution to the present situation in the world?

We need to go back to God with penitent hearts for he is love and the only answer to our problems. Apart from God there is no salvation for mankind. Any problem that is beyond man's ability must be handed over to God. People should now realize that all the problems which could not be solved by human beings are directly from God as punishment. In such cases only God himself can provide solutions.

For example, minerals are produced, crops cultivated and money minted; yet the world continues to be in want. Inflation spirals daily, and unemployment increases by leaps and bounds. Even in America where jobs used to be in surplus, the unemployment rate now scares even their renowned economists. Countries embark on deportation of both legal and illegal aliens, for the purpose of easing unemployment and other economic burdens, yet these problems persist. The more the foreign nationals are repatriated, the more the problems of the economy. The solution to these problems lies not in sacrificing to idols, spilling human blood, sending people to prison, or struggling for parcels of land. It is also vain for people to get involved in endless litigations. Know that except a disease is properly diagnosed, no cure could be affected. Except the correct and most potent medicine is prescribed, how can the disease be cured?

Christ openly said: "And if any man hear my words and believe not, I judge him not; for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world. He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words hath one that judgeth him: the words that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." (John 12:47-48) The consequences for those who disobey His voice are terrible. This is the time for all the wanderers to return home. The world has derailed from the path of rectitude and God wants all to return to Him now. He made it clear that He came not to judge the world, but to save it. All His injunctions are in our own interest. For instance we are warned to refrain from stealing, fornication, adultery, hatred and malice, all these are aimed at uniting us with God. The condition under which man finds himself is a direct repercussion of his transgression. You should discard every mundane teaching and practice God's injunctions. Do not get involved in idolatry and the worship of graven images.

Peace and unity have eluded the entire world in various governments and church denominations. Families, communities and nations are at daggers drawn and their problems are endless. The only source of peace, unity and prosperity is God. All the political and economic problems faced by the world today can never be solved by human imagination and wisdom.

Resources meant to be used in developing local governments; states and nations are diverted to private coffers. Only a few individuals and their immediate families benefit from such public funds. The more the number of states and local governments, the greater the dimension of the problems faced by the people. There are cases of embezzlement of public funds all over the world. Public officers are looting their regional treasuries. In spite of the huge revenues received from the sale of natural resources, nothing positively is done to alleviate the suffering of the ordinary citizen because of mal-administration and dishonesty. The socio-economic condition of the people is far from being improved. The reason is that no person or government agent seeks after love and dedication but after selfish interest. The proliferation of states and local governments, as witnessed in Nigeria for instance, has not helped matters. Instead, the exercise has brought about numerous problems and hardships. This is so because the problem of Nigeria has nothing to do with the creation of more states and local governments.

All the nations of the world are suffering from similar problems despite spirited efforts aimed at mass production of different products. Tell the world to refrain from sins and turn their hearts to God for immediate solutions to the perennial hardship and global economic crunch. The quantity of mineral deposits beneath the earth is inexhaustible; but since they did not bring about our problems, they can neither provide solutions to them. We have all denied God and deserted Him, therefore, in order to direct our attention to Him, He has bound us, hands and legs. The only solution now is for us to go to him on bended knees for repentance of our sins. As a merciful father, he will save us and take away our problems. He is the king of peace, the father of love and life, the greatest teacher and the fountain of

mercies. Since God is merciful, let us all kneel before His feet and He will have mercy upon us.

This is not the time for anyone to boast about anything. Whether you are a white man or a black man, rich or poor, do not boast about your position and do not weep because of your condition either, but turn your mind to your Creator for salvation. Of what importance is your status as a white man or a black man? What do you gain from the riches of the world without gaining eternal life? What do you lose if you gain eternal life without the riches of the world? You claim to have immense power and wisdom, and to have founded a certain church denomination. The question is, what added advantage has that brought to you over the other person?

VIOLENCE BEGETS VIOLENCE

If you claim to be the president of a country with immense powers, the question is, of what benefit has that been to you as regards to your salvation? Or have your powers and status enhanced the betterment of the people's predicaments? Have you not used your position to oppress and defraud the people? You loot public treasury, embarking on white elephant projects with little or no economic value, just to boost your ego. You assume the mantle of leadership through bloodshed, systematically eliminating your opponents in order to consolidate your bloody reign. Who amongst the leaders of the world has not spilled blood in one way or the other in order to rule? What solutions have the violent changes brought to the welfare of the people? When Peter severed the ear of the high priest's servant, Our Lord Jesus Christ told him to put his sword into its place, for, those who took up the sword would die by it. (Matthew 26:52) This explains why one person is killed by another and the chain of killings continues unabated.

God has enjoined man to refrain from killing, stealing, and other atrocious acts; for whatever a man sows, same shall he reap. (Galatians 6:7) In other words, whatever you do to your fellow man, same shall be done to you in return. This is not the time for anyone to seek for a husband, wife, children, wealth or anything mundane for such things are worthless and unprofitable. This is the right time to seek for Jehovah God and his Christ now on earth in order that peace and prosperity will reign in the entire world. That is the only source of our salvation. Read the Second Lesson once again.

SECOND LESSON: MATTHEW 11:28

Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

THE MOST HIGH IS AWARE OF THE SITUATION IN THE WORLD

Why do you not listen to The King of peace and the God of love and be saved? It does not cost you money or anything to turn to God and have eternal life. Does it not occur to you

that He is perfectly aware of all the things going on in the world? He has not asked you the nature of your problems but He has solutions to them. He wants all those who labor and are heavy laden to come to Him and obtain rest. Therefore whatever your predicament, come to Him for He will give you rest. The whites are thinking of disarmament. They want to put a stop to the production and sale of deadly weapons because of their long lasting effects. But have they? Stealing, idolatry, among other vices are part of the most destructive weapons to mankind. These are the very things man must first of all stop in order to obtain peace and rest. It is high time we returned to our Creator and Master. Until we practice the teaching of Our Lord Jesus Christ, i.e. Love one another, our problems will persist.

It would not have cost the people anything to elect their leaders into various public offices, if they had allowed the love of God to prevail. It is because of man's deceitful tendencies and selfish motives that people have to contest for political offices and would do everything possible to win. If your intention is genuine, why must you force the very people you want to serve to vote you into power? If the people had lived in love and with the fear God, they would have elected a candidate of their choice, a worthy and popular person to pilot their affairs with the love of God.

What good thing can a president, a governor, or a legislator without the fear of God do? Any administration run and sustained by the force of arms can never address itself to the problems of the people. Cases of armed robbery attacks persists in spite of executions by firing squad to deter the bandits. The whole world has turned away from God. But this is the time for mankind to retrace his steps and seek after his Creator God and he will have real peace and prosperity. It is written in the book of Psalms: "Except The Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it; except The Lord keep the city, the watchman watcheth but in vain." (Psalm 127:1) You should always note the above quoted verse from the scripture. Do not waste your time in watching and building anything for yourself because it is only God who can watch and build a nation. Are you sure that it is God who has mandated you to keep watch or build or conduct elections? Can you see why you fail? In 1979, Nigeria spent a fortune to restore democracy.

Ironically, the whole exercise was brought to naught and all the resources wasted because only thieves were elected into various offices. Right now the march to the third Republic is on and you find that two brothers are fighting over one position or the other. Each of them is ready to go to any length to prevent the other from winning. What really is the cause of this? What good thing could be derived from such hooligans when they finally take up the mantle of leadership? Until the world finally realizes that it is love alone that reigns and that whoever possesses it needs not campaign for any position to be elected, the present trend of events will persist.

The Holy Spirit is in the world but the inhabitants of the world do not know Him. Whether the world knows Him or not, this is the reign of The Holy Spirit. In short, God's

government has fully started. In order to be on the safe side, it is expedient that the world leaders should peacefully surrender the ruler ship and governance to the owner now. If you recognise your God and cling to him, all will be well with you because he is truth and life. The world continues to gaze into the sky, expecting Our Lord Jesus Christ to descend, whereas He has for long, set up His Divine Administration. He has nothing to do with killing, idolatry, division, and anything sinful. The only thing that reigns in God's Kingdom is love. A pertinent question is asked in the scripture: "For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his soul?"(Mark 8:36).

THE WORLD IS IN A STATE OF SQUALOR

The trend of events in the world as a result of the rush-rush attitude of people is amazing. There is much cheating, squandering of money, and looting of public funds. The people are exposed to a state of hopelessness and squalor. Now the situation is that of survival of the fittest. People these days violate natural laws with impunity to get their way. Now is the time for man to stop these wicked activities and return to God for salvation. This is not the time to cheat, oppress or kill others. God is the owner of everything, including man himself. If we desire power, love and truth, we should seek after God, for in God there is no lie, no deceit, no oppression. If you receive bribe to elect a particular candidate into an office, do you not think that such a person would want to recover and defray all his expenses before thinking of the general interest of the masses? It is in view of this situation that many politicians regard politics as an investment and not as service to humanity.

Many world leaders loot public treasury and keep whatever they steal in foreign banks. When such leaders eventually die, the money is suddenly frozen and taken over by the foreign government, yet their people suffer at home. Except we are truly repentant and go back to God, problems on earth will continue endlessly. Christ has therefore called on all the inhabitants of the world, all those who labor and are heavy laden to come to Him and have rest. He has taken over the control of everything that causes man to be proud and disobedient. Except man returns to his Creator, man will continue to be in trouble and in chains. We are all naked before God. This Gospel with its revelation is being given so that the entire inhabitants of the world can be duly informed of the impending doom. A city without a prophet is ruined, and that is the more reason this Gospel should be disseminated throughout the world. I have been waiting all this while to hear who will come out with the real solution to the problems plaguing the world.

No one has come up ever since and now I am making this declaration to the whole world that they should return to God if they desire peace and prosperity. All the afflictions that plague mankind are brought about by His angels. The ants, the mosquitoes, flies, rain, sun, lightening, thunder, earthquake, drought, fire, and so on, are all God's angels and messengers. God can use these things to inflict disease, pain, sickness, starvation, and death

upon the earth, if mankind offends Him. All the political, economic, social and religious problems that afflict the world are products of man's disobedience to God. The world should have now grown to a stage where it should be problem-free. Man should now be speaking directly with his Creator and enjoying His goodness. He is ready to show His abundant mercies and love to mankind.

He is peace, truth, love, patience and all the good virtues you can think of. He rules the world with His virtues. Go to Him with your problems and He will surely answer you. We have only one Shepherd and as a matter of necessity, there will be only one flock. Testimonies are given by various people about the power in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star to solve any form of problem. Those who read this gospel and receive baptism into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star will have their problems solved. The soothsayers, witch doctors, physicians and similar people are quite aware of the fact there is no more power in their arts. Their source of power had for long been completely cut off. The robbers, the deceivers, the governments, the murderers are now rendered powerless. People keep on consulting them out of ignorance and fear. This is the time for everyone to help himself.

GOD ABHORS COUP D'ETAT

Within a short period of time, which the Nigerian government has not been toppled, have you not noticed a remarkable change in the country? Frequent and abrupt changes of governments contribute to the woes of many countries. It is The Holy Spirit that causes all the things on earth, including activities during the present military regime in Nigeria. The Biblical Prodigal Son returned to his father empty handed. On his arrival, his father did not reject him but received him warmly. He ordered his servants to slaughter the fatted calf to celebrate his return. He was clad in new and expensive clothes. Everything suddenly changed for him. That is exactly what God expects everybody to do. He is ready to receive us anytime we turn a new leaf. Often people would say this is nothing to which we should call the name of God; it is not God's business. If it is not God's business, whose is it? For now, The Holy Spirit takes dominion over everything in the world. Whether you are a Jew, a Pharisee, Gentile, Sadducee, Greek, Nigerian, British, whatever you are, you are owned by God. God does not discriminate; He gives equal treatment to all.

THE CASE OF SODOM AND GOMORRAH

Before the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, God warned them: "To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? Said The Lord: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs or of the goats. When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my court? Bring me no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons

and Sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot, away with. It is iniquity even the solemn meeting.

Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them. And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you; yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood. Wash ye, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes: cease to do evil, learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. Come now, and let us reason together, saith The Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red as crimson, they shall be as wool. If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land." (Isaiah 1:11-19) On the other hand He further warned: "But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of The Lord hath spoken it." (Isaiah 1:20) If Sodom and Gomorrah had accepted God's condition and gone to Him, they would not have perished.

Our Lord Jesus Christ gave an assurance before His ascension: "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name they shall cast out devils; and they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly it shall not hurt them. They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover." (Mark 16:16-18). What then does it cost you to get out of bondage and go back to God? What would you lose? Many people who have baptized into this Kingdom have testified of good luck and fortunes upon baptism. A certain brother who was a beneficiary of such sudden change was so surprised that he decided to investigate Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, its origin and activities, right from Biakpan to Calabar, its headquarters, and finding no foul play or anything incriminating, he left and shouted for joy. Therefore, brethren, God does not charge you any fee to come to Him. He rather flings the gate of His mercies wide open for all those who accept Him and repent, to pass through. Preach this Gospel to the entire world and to the unbelievers, tell the so-called world powers to disengage from the production of arms and follow God, that, this is the era of The Holy Spirit and He has come to reign forever. Therefore, they should give peace a chance to prevail. Read the Golden Text once again.

GOLDEN TEXT: ROMANS 10:12-13

For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: For the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. For whosoever shall call upon The Name of the Lord shall be saved.

THE OWNER OF THE VINEYARD HAS COME

God is not for any specific group of people or nation; he is for all. The same God is for the blacks, the whites, men, women, young, old, weak, strong, rich and poor. He is God of all

and is ever ready to help those who call upon him. Events around the world and even here in brotherhood point to the fact that God is here on earth. All these things provide enough evidence for you to go into the world to tell the people that the owner of the world is here. Brotherhood of the Cross and Star does not approve idolatry, medication of any kind, nor membership of any secret society and the rest of the vices. This is because we are well fortified.

A TESTIMONY

A brother from Adoni once testified at 34 Ambo Street, Calabar that he suffered from tuberculosis for twelve years and he was vomiting blood. After going round the world in search of a remedy, he was finally brought to 34 Ambo Street in 1975. That as soon as The Father placed His hands on his head, he fully recovered. Since then he is hale and hearty. Not only this but also, this brother became very rich. He built a beautiful story building and had so much wealth that the people in his community doubted his source of wealth. Two people who rose against him as a result of his God given wealth became mentally deranged in the course of their diabolical investigation. Others who were against Him finally came back to plead for forgiveness when they found that they could not destroy him. They told him that they did not know that his wealth was from his God.

But about forty necromancers who had also attempted to do away with this brother came to him and asked him to leave the community because they could not contain the power of Olumba Olumba Obu. According to this brother, he rebuffed these evil men and even went out to the village square to announce to the whole community that all powers from witchdoctors have been rendered useless and powerless. That the only solution to man now is to turn to the living God who is now on earth. As a result of the overwhelming power of The Holy Father, the forty necromancers have now baptized into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star and all their charms and amulets burnt to ashes. So you should go into the whole world and inform the people to run away from their former ways and turn to God for salvation.

Whoever persecutes a member of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star can never go scot free. Even if a whole community should rise against you the father shall overcome them for you. Tell the world to flee from evil and every form of unrighteousness and follow God, for as He did to the Israelites so shall He do to the Gentiles in this generation. Apart from members of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, no other people are commissioned and empowered to carry this divine message to the world. You are hereby asked to come to God and He will surely forgive you. Once you surrender your body and soul to Him, He will bless you and protect you.

Do not preach to the people that they should come to Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Tell them to flee from unrighteousness and go to God with penitent hearts for he will

wipe away their tears and give them rest. A stroke of the cane is enough for the wise. May God Bless His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER

BAPTISM IN BROTHERHOOD OF THE CROSS AND STAR:

GO INTO THE WORLD AND TELL THEM ABOUT MY TEACHINGS

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: MATTHEW 24:14

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: MARK 16:15-16

And he said unto them, "Go ye into the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

GOLDEN TEXT: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:20-21

"Where is the wise? where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."

The Gospel of today, (Sunday, March 1st. 1992), must be spread all over the world both in radio, television and in the print media. It is said that the children of God and the angels are those who shall judge the world (1 Corinthians 6:2). A handful of people in the world are watching, waiting, and they are still looking out to see when this would come to pass. Already judgment is going on. You have heard an eloquent testimony of that brother from Rivers State (Nigeria), who went into a trance, and he saw how the great judgment of God was being delivered against those who do not follow the path of rectitude. That is the reason you heard from the First Bible Lesson that "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached to all nations; and then the end shall come."

WHATSOEVER MEANS YOU CAN USE TO SPREAD THE TEACHINGS OF GOD, DO IT

I have already given you this gospel before. The stage we are now at is known as The Season of God's Mercy, where judgment is beginning in the house of God. You will also recall the testimony a certain brother gave about a strange dream he had. He had seen that people were being swept aside by an ill wind. And when he inquired in that dream about the interpretation and significance of that dream, he was told that those swept aside by the wind are those who still indulge in the senseless habit of eating meat and fish. I have warned you several times to refrain from committing these sins, such as telling lies, stealing and fornication. All these vices tantamount to the Judgment of God. The kingdom that we are in is the highest court in the world. I am not talking about a prayer house. If you are a Christian, a Muslim, or Hindu or Buddhist etc., the moment you believe and you are baptized you shall be saved. If you are a pagan, a juju priest, etc., once you refrain from all the diabolical ways of

the world, and you become baptized into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, and if you believe in this name, you shall be saved.

GOD IS IMPARTIAL

I do not say partial, but I say impartial. God does not cheat any person, irrespective of your tribe, creed, or religious inclination. Once you believe and in this name and become baptized, you shall be saved. You have to go to all the corners of the world and impart these teachings to those who have not heard about me before. It is not by building a hut and going there every day and you start barking and wailing in Jesus' name or calling on this or that name that you are saved. These would never save you. Your duty does not stop at building cathedrals or bethels here and there. Rather you are to go all the corners of the world and tell the world about these recondite teachings of our lord Jesus Christ that whosoever shall believe and be baptized shall be saved. Your work is limited when you erect a small building or bethel and you perform healing and other forms of spiritual services. A great number of people have not heard about Brotherhood of the Cross and Star and my teachings. But a time shall come when the world shall know and hear about Brotherhood. That is why many people harbor doubts about Brotherhood, claiming that since they were baptized before in their various churches in the world, that how come they are being asked again to baptize into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. That is the reason many of them cannot come into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. The moment you conceive this thought within you, you are gone. Others erroneously claim that since they have given alms to the poor and the needy, that they are saved because they have done the injunctions of God. You are equally lost.

IF YOU DO NOT BELIEVE IN THIS WONDERFUL NAME AND GET BAPTIZED, YOU SHALL PERISH

You have heard the testimony of the former staunch member of Cherubim and Seraphim Church Movement the other day. He claimed he was all and in all and one of the gurus in the movement. When the call of God reached him, God instructed him to go and get baptized along with his entire family and other members of his household, otherwise he was going to be transferred to the great beyond with his entire family. When he hearkened to the directive of God, he was saved with his family from the imminent obliteration. God does not save us because of our righteousness but out of His grace and mercy. If you are an herbalist, necromancer or an occultist, the moment you come before God, prostrate and confess your sins, believe and get baptized and in addition you denounce all the diabolical things you had indulged in before, you shall be saved. I have warned you to stop stealing and to flee from committing fornication and crime. I equally told you that the only way out is to baptize and receive the Holy Spirit and you will be saved. Once you do not have all the virtues of God in you, you have no share in the kingdom of God. You perform miracles by raising the dead, healing the sick, but you refuse to accept baptism, who will help you when you pass away?

Clear the bush and leave it for me and I will set the fire. Spread this gospel of truth to the entire world to the big personalities in the world and whether they accept you or not should not bother you, for I will carry out the other aspects of it.

ALL THE GREAT AND MIGHTY WORKS DONE HERE IN BROTHERHOOD OF THE CROSS AND STAR ARE DONE THROUGH THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE TEACHINGS AND THE BAPTISM OF GOD

You are aware that for someone to accept baptism is not an easy task. Some people have remained in their denominations for years, and they have not received baptism. I have not told you to pressure them to be baptized and become saved. This is because if the father were to reveal the significance of baptism to us, especially the day we are baptized, we should be celebrating feast on every other anniversary of that particular day throughout the rest of our lives. This is because it is the very day we are baptized that all our sins of the past generations were cleansed and we became changed unto the Holy Spirit. If someone comes to you to ask you about the intricacies of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, do not say anything. Let the one get baptized first before you pay him or her any attention. You are now in BCS and you believe someone who gives you vision and extracts charms from your body. What about baptism? In the case of baptism, money is not required. Baptism does not cost you anything provided you believe in this name. Our Lord Jesus Christ told Nicodemus that unless he was born again that he would not enter the kingdom of God. Nicodemus asked Our Lord Jesus Christ how he could be born again, when he was old and already a full-grown man. The answer that Christ gave him was that unless Nicodemus was baptized in the name of the father, son and holy spirit, he would not enter the kingdom of God (John 3:1-5). You are a member of Amorc. If you do not denounce it and accept baptism, you shall not be saved.

WHOEVER MUST ESCAPE THE WRATH OF GOD AND ACCEPT BAPTISM, AND BELIEVE, SHALL BE SAVED

I have told you time and time again that a brotherhood child is standing on a rock and there is no problem for them. The undoing is that after confessing our sins, we return to commit the same sin we had confessed over and over again. Many people are serving various jail terms and some are in detention camps because of their disobedience to God. They were given the power of the Holy Spirit but they refused to accept baptism and believe in God. The same problem applies to patients in hospital wards. If only the government would allow Brotherhood of the Cross and Star members to go to all these places: hospitals, prison yards, police cells, etc to pray for the inmates, you will see that soon these people would be reformed, discharged and acquitted. Anybody who is sick, ask him to confess his sins and believe in this name and become baptized, and all will be well and the sicknesses and tribulations would vanish. Baptism in essence means the denouncing of all mundane

pleasures, vices, diabolical deities of the world and never again going back to commit the various sins enumerated. Once we have complied with these, we shall be saved.

READ: MATTHEW 28:19-20:

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

If you go outside and start erecting mansions and cathedrals here and there, and you buy musical instruments, all these things would not help you. The most important thing is to go into the world and inform those who have never heard about me and BCS; tell them the teachings in this kingdom. All the problems and tribulations you heard from all the nations are because they have of their refusal to surrender and recognize the presence of God on earth. It is your duty to go there and tell them about these teachings. Do not tell somebody to come to BCS, for everybody is a member of BCS. The time is very short. Going on evangelical tours in and around your localities with only your group members is meaningless. You are to go where this gospel of truth is not heard yet and spread the truth to the people, telling them to be baptized and have their problems solved and their supplications answered. Tell the world about the glory of God on earth. Baptism has a deeper meaning and explanation than how you have turned it to be. Baptism in other words means that once you believe and you are baptized you will be saved. I know you cannot go to the big personalities in the world and tell them to denounce their membership in the secret societies and follow God.

IT IS ONLY THE HOLY SPIRIT WHO CAN CHANGE THEM

If you are in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star and you still indulge yourself in secret societies, know that you have no place in this kingdom. You have heard the testimony of one of my sons this morning, (March 1st. 1992). He is a member of a State House of Assembly. He does not have any protection for himself, as is expected of someone in the corridors of power would want to do. He has surrendered all his entire life to God to protect him. I have told you that Spain, and China, Japan and several other countries of the world have not heard about Brotherhood of the Cross and Star and the teaching of God. But you are still moving around the country, claiming to do the Father's work-when these gospels have not reached these places. Go to these places and tell them about this God and the Kingdom. It is not that some of these countries have not heard about this kingdom and the teachings of the Holy Spirit, but they need somebody to explain to them better and put them right. Some of you do not know that the pouring of libation is against the injunction of God. When a child is given birth to or when someone dies, these rites would be performed to appease the earth Goddess. All these superstitions are not in conformity with the doctrines of God and Brotherhood of the Cross and Star.

In BCS, the moment one gives birth to a child or goes on a spiritual transfer, (i.e. dies), all we need to do is to rejoice and celebrate a love feast. The food of the spirit is love, meekness, mercy, patience, and refraining from all manners of sin, while food of the flesh is tea, yam, rice, gari, etc. Why the world governments have fallen is because everybody thinks only about how to have money and all the things of world. Because of worldly things you have forsaken spiritual power. Things can never be the same again in the world. During the era of Our Lord Jesus Christ, He appointed some people to take charge of spiritual aspects, while others were assigned to other necessities of life. If you do not have the Holy Spirit, you cannot preach the gospel. Those who have the Holy Spirit in them are those assigned with the spiritual aspects of God. It is only BCS members, the world over who are commissioned with the mandate to go to all the corners of the world and spread these good teachings of God. Those who will believe and get baptized will receive the salvation of God. It is not by fighting and quarreling and by killing one another. Go out and spread the teachings of God. Tell them to believe and get baptized and free themselves from the wrath of God. To preach to someone who has the Holy Spirit but is not baptized, is like pouring water on the back of a hen or giving a blind man a mirror to look at himself.

GO TO THE WORLD AND PREACH THE GOSPEL OF GOD

You are not told to go and tell someone to leave his church. Rather you are told to preach the gospel, those who believe and get baptized shall be saved. For you to go and preach to some people to leave their churches, when in the true perspective, all their lives and means of livelihood are dependent on the churches, they will not mind you or take you seriously. There is no church in the whole world which performs baptism the right way, except Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. There is no problem if somebody is a bishop, his status notwithstanding; wherever he may belong, if he believes and accepts baptism, it is good for him. If not, leave him to remain where he is. Do not tell people to come to BCS, because many of them cannot preach the gospel of God. Why do you want him to come to BCS when he cannot preach? I have told you that many of the bishops have come here into BCS and many of them received baptism only to go back to their denominations to perform their duties just for the purpose of keeping body and soul together. What is going on in various churches is like the work of a civil servant, where at the end of every month, salary or wages are paid to them.

If you are not born of water and spirit, you cannot see visions, dream dreams, nor preach the gospel of God because you are not of the Holy Spirit. Already, trouble has begun in their various churches and they are beginning to worry that their members have scattered. They no more have a large multitude of followers. But unknown to them is the fact that it is in fulfillment of the time that all shall come under one flock, and there shall be only one shepherd (John 10:16). This is exactly the stage we have arrived at. Pay your tithes and give alms to the poor. If you are confronted with any problems, knock your head on the ground and call on the father. (1 Corinthians 3:13) Those who refuse baptism are those who are still

begudging people and are those who steal and indulge in secret societies. Each time you are asked by someone about this Kingdom (BCS), refer that person to what the scriptures say in MARK 16:15-16. We are of the same stock, one Father; and we have to unite together. What you have to do is to go and tell the people of the world to believe and get baptized. Those who believe and are baptized shall be saved, and those who do not believe will be condemned.

BAPTISM IS LIKE THE GATEWAY TO HEAVEN

What separates man from God is sin. Love is practiced in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Only BCS has the right to change and re-unite the entire world. Because here in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, money, wealth, jobs, brother, sisters, mothers and fathers are in abundance. But what is required is faith. Anyone who believes and is baptized shall be saved. All of us are Christ Servants and Christ Students and Ordained ones. If any of us is confronted with any problems, let us rally around him or her. If you are a child of this Kingdom, your duty is to go out and preach the gospel to the people of the world. The spirit is one, but there is diversity of operations. (1 Corinthians 12:1-13) Do not condemn people, but pay attention to the Holy Spirit. Which of you has any knowledge about what is read to us in the Golden Text? That is why I have been shouting that you should proceed to India, Russia, and such other places and preach the gospel of the Father to these inhabitants.

All the Communist world, I have taken absolute control. Immediately BCS gets to a particular place, it takes control and complete domination. It has also in the same way pleased God to use the Teachings of God to save those who do not believe. That is why Our Lord Jesus Christ told us to be careful about the things of the world so that we might be saved. Now you want to be a president, a governor, a member of the state assembly, so that you may have money. Does it mean that if someone is not a president, a governor, or a member of parliament, he can't have money? That is why here in BCS whatsoever things constitute your needs; all those needs of yours will be supplied here. "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness and all other things will be added unto you." (Matt 6:33). During the era of the colonial masters and when the country attained independence, has there been any big difference between now and then?

ALL THOSE WHO WORK FOR GOD HAVE BEEN REGARDED AND SAVED


The majority of you do not believe that you are saved right from when you were baptized into this Kingdom (BCS). You complain that you have no money, no food, and no clothes yet you are not hungry. God takes care of you, feeds you, and clothes you. You have heard that one of the new civilian governors came here the other day for salvation. Why did he not go to the big people like Benson Idahoan who owns the Church of God Mission in Benin City, or go to some other big churches to celebrate the feast? He knows that it is in BCS that he will receive his salvation. Yet you are here complaining of lack of food and money. Here in

BCS it is joy, joy all over. I want you to know that the most paramount thing is to spread the teachings of God. Most of you are living witnesses to what the Holy Spirit is using my children to do. The General Manager of Observer Newspaper, through the spreading of the word of God, is serving God. Journalists, too, are number one in this aspect. Their duties are to reveal the truth to the world and to propagate the new teachings of God. Like one of my sons in Lagos, Pastor Umoh James Umoh. Many of you have seen what the Father is using Pastor Umoh to do through the spreading of the teachings of God, right from when he was baptized into this fold.

But do not pray to become a journalist, because that may not be your gift. So many professionals are coming. Among them are farmers, traders, doctors, lawyers, etc. Your duty is to do that which is assigned to you, in your own profession, tirelessly so as not to soil the good image of your Father because we are now entering the reign of the Holy Spirit. Whoever is a president, a governor, or an honorable member of the state or national assembly, you should put them into fervent prayer because Brotherhood of the Cross and Star has come to reign. It is said that a word is sufficient unto the wise.

Let those who have ears hear. May God Bless His Holy Words. Amen.

BROTHERHOOD OF THE CROSS AND STAR



To commit yourself to or to have a connection with any person has nothing to do with love, truth, and humility. What happens is that when you commit yourself and separate yourself on to god you will be capable of serving him properly and god will be pleased with your action.

- By Leader Olumba Olumba Obu

The Key to the kingdom of God, salvation and eternal life is love. If you abide by this commandment and endure all painful and heart breaking situations, you will become victorious.

- By Leader Olumba Olumba Obu

Unfortunately, till now most people are still placing their hopes on human beings, money and other visible things. Some people neither believe nor have faith in him. There is a spiritual chorus that says we should not have faith in human beings, money, and the mundane things we see, because they will one day disappoint us. Nobody can save you. It is only God that can un-regrettably save you. Of course he has the priority to help and assist you in everything.

We should emulate our Lord Jesus Christ who had no hope on human beings neither did he listen to anybody except God. That is why he overcame the world and was extensively victorious. Your Problems today emanate from the fact that you are hoping on the visible things of the world and by so doing, before you know it, they have deserted you.

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