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-Pastor Chris Oyakhilome

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FRIDAY 1

## A SET-APART BREED



But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people... (1 Peter 2:9).

he term "chosen generation" comes from the Greek "Genos Eklekton," meaning an elect or chosen race, breed, or stock. The word "chosen," implies being separated or set apart. It's the same root word from which we get "sanctified" or "sanctification." So, 1 Peter 2:9 isn't merely telling us that we're a choice amongst many; rather, it emphasizes our unique, distinct lineage. You're of a peculiar lineage; it's got something to do with your birth, your nature!

It's like someone trying to select a particular stock of chickens; his aim isn't just to select the best-looking chickens but a specific breed, a chosen breed. There's something inherent in their nature that he wants. In the same way, you're not like everyone else who was born naturally; you've been born againborn of the Spirit and born of the Word. This makes you a different stock, a different race, a set-apart breed.

That's what our opening scripture accentuates: your inherent peculiar nature. It's about the breed-how you were born. Your ancestry is divine. Everywhere you go in this world, keep in mind that you're one of a kind. You're not like everybody else. You're God's choice. The Bible says He gave Himself for you, cleansed and purified you unto Himself to be His peculiar treasure, zealous of good works (Titus 2:14). Then James 1:18 says, "Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures." "Firstfruits" means the first and the best, the cream of the crop. That's who you are. Blessed be God!

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for setting me apart as your peculiar treasure, unique and special, born of the Spirit and the Word. Everywhere I go, I manifest your virtues and perfection, living out my divine purpose, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

John 15:16; Ephesians 1:4; Deuteronomy 14:2; 1 Peter 2:9 AMPC

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 1 & Jeremiah 34-35

### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 1:1-12 & Ezekiel 32



SATURDAY 2

## THE DIVINE PERSPECTIVE



For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 4:6).

This is an extraordinary statement! God, who spoke light into existence at the very beginning has now shined in our hearts. Why did He do this? What is the purpose of His light in our hearts? The answer is in the latter part of that same verse: "... to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." This is so powerful! If you're a Christian, Christ lives in you, and His purpose is to reveal and radiate the glory of God through your life. Your life should be a daily manifestation of God's glory.

Many people live their lives according to their feelings, circumstances, or how others perceive them. But as a child of God, you're called to live according to the knowledge of God. This knowledge is the divine perspective: seeing life as God sees it and understanding situations as God understands them. This is called "the Truth."

What does God think about your situation? What does He know? What does He say? His words are the ultimate truths. So, live by the knowledge given to us by God; align yourself with His truth and see life from His perspective and you'll experience the outworking of His glory in your life. He has given us His Word and His Spirit to know His thoughts and understand His ways.

Therefore, you're to live by this higher knowledge— the knowledge of God. When you truly grasp that God has shined His light in your heart to give you this divine perspective, you'll understand that you carry an extraordinary power within you—the

power to manifest His glory in every situation. This divine knowledge transforms you and causes you to live victoriously, displaying His glory to the world.

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, thank you for shining your light in our hearts and giving us the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. I live by this divine knowledge, seeing life from your perspective, walking in your truth and speaking your Word regardless of circumstances, opinions, or external conditions. I continually manifest your glory in all that I do, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

Colossians 1:27; 2 Peter 1:3; Ephesians 1:17-18

## 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 2 & Jeremiah 36-37

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 1:13-25 & Ezekiel 33



SUNDAY 3

## WATER BAPTISM AND THE HOLY COMMUNION



For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come ( 1 Corinthians 11:26).

here are those who ask if it is right to partake of the Holy Communion when you're not water-baptized. First, in Christianity, we have sacraments like the Holy Communion and Water Baptism. In Mark 16:15-16, the Lord Jesus charged the disciples to spread the Gospel to every corner of the earth and to every person, emphasizing the importance of Water Baptism: "He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:16). In Matthew 28:19, He said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

Then, in 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, Paul shares an important revelation he received from the Lord. He recounts the events of the night the Lord Jesus was betrayed, highlighting the profound significance of the Holy Communion. In consequence, Water Baptism and the Holy Communion are not dependent on each other; you can partake in the Holy Communion even if you've not been baptized in water. The Bible doesn't stipulate that you can only take the Holy Communion if you've been baptized in water.

However, in many churches, the Communion is often reserved for those who are baptized members. There's nothing wrong with this practice. The reason many follow this guideline is that baptism is viewed as a sign of one's full belief and commitment to the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It signifies a complete acceptance of the Gospel.

In the Early Church, during the great persecution, if individuals were asked about their faith and they denied it, their baptism was used as evidence of their true commitment to Christ, often leading to their persecution.

Churches typically do not baptize non-believers. This is why many churches believe that true Christians should be baptized and therefore may only serve Communion to those who have been baptized. The practice is commendable and aligns with the church's desire to honour the significance of baptism in the Christian faith.

## CONFESSION

Dear Father, I recognize the significance of the Holy Communion and Water Baptism as symbols of my faith and commitment to you. Every opportunity to partake in the Holy Communion is my declaration of my victory over Satan, the world and its elements; a declaration that the Lord Jesus bequeathed His wealth, rights, and privileges to me, a will which is now in force. I have eternal victory and dominion over sin, sickness, disease, death and the devil, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 2:41-42; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 3 & Jeremiah 38-40

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 2:1-12 & Ezekiel 34



**MONDAY 4** 

## **WORKS OF LOVE THROUGH US**



Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it (John 14:12-14).

What a profound statement the Lord Jesus made in the verses above! He said, "...He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do...." He meant the works of love He continues to do by the Spirit through us because we're the extension of His ministry. As the prophet Isaiah said, "...he shall see His seed, he shall prolong his days..." (Isaiah 53:10). He's prolonging His days and continuing His ministry through us. This is so amazing.

Always remember that you're not alone; Christ is at work in you. Look closely at verse 14 of the opening verse: "If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." Did you notice there's no special clause here? There're no conditions or exceptions; He said anything. Most people have never truly understood this enough to take advantage of it. The Lord Jesus said exactly what He meant and meant exactly what He said. Anything you ask in His Name is yours. Glory be to God!

In John 16:23, He tells us more about the day of the Church: "And in that day ye shall ask me nothing...." At first glance, this may seem like a contradiction of what we read earlier in chapter 14. But if you go back to chapter 14 and read from verse 12, you'll notice what He's talking about. He said, "...He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father."

The "greater works" are possible because Jesus has ascended to the Father and sent the Holy Spirit to empower us and impact the world with His love, power, and presence. We're not limited. He has equipped us to do the same works that He did. This isn't just about performing miracles; it's about revealing the love and glory of God through our lives, just as Jesus did.

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, thank you for the privilege of doing the works of Jesus and even greater works through the power of your Spirit in me. I declare that I am a vessel of your love, power and glory, manifesting your presence in every situation. Thank you for the confidence and boldness to ask anything in the Name of Jesus, knowing that you will do it. I rejoice and rest in the assurance of your Word, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## FURTHER STUDY:

Mark 16:17-18; John 14:12-14 NIV; Acts 1:8 AMPC

## 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 4:1-13 & Jeremiah 41-43

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 2:13-25 & Ezekiel 35



**TUESDAY 5** 

## THE AUTHORITY OF HIS NAME



And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it (John 14:13-14).

Notice carefully that the Lord Jesus didn't say, "Whatsoever you shall ask me in my name, that will I do." Rather, He said, "Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name"; there's a crucial difference here. You can't ask Jesus something in the Name of Jesus.

Often, people pray without thinking about their words. Many pray to the Lord Jesus and end the prayer with "in the Name of Jesus." This is not correct. This is a prayer without understanding, and some pray this way without seeing results because they approach prayer with a religious mindset, not with the understanding of what Jesus taught.

When Jesus said, "Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name," He meant that whenever you make a demand or declare something in His Name, He will make it happen. It's about exercising the authority that His Name represents. In Acts 3, we see a practical demonstration of this by Peter and John when they encountered a beggar who had been lame from birth. In verse 6, Peter said to him, "...Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk."

Peter didn't pray to Jesus. He spoke to the man in the authority of the Name of Jesus. Peter then took the man by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately, the man's feet and ankle bones received strength. He jumped up, stood, and began walking, leaping, and praising God. Hallelujah! Afterwards, Peter explained and said to the people: "And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea,

the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all" (Acts 3:16). Peter and John were demonstrating exactly what Jesus taught in John 14:13-14. They used the authority of Jesus' Name to perform miracles, signs, and wonders.

When you speak in His Name, Heaven responds; miracles happen. His Name carries the same power and authority of His person. So, when you use it, you invoke His presence and direct His glory to the situation you're dealing with. We'll learn more about this in our next study.

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for the power of attorney to use the Name of Jesus to effect changes. I exercise that authority to establish your will in the earth and in the lives of men. I pray today, that people everywhere will experience the goodness of God, for indeed the whole earth is filled with your goodness, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

Acts 3:12-16; Philippians 2:9-11; Mark 16:17-18

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 4:14-5:1-10 & Jeremiah 44-47

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 3:1-12 & Ezekiel 36



**WEDNESDAY 6** 

# OUR POWER OF ATTORNEY TO USE THE NAME



And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all (Acts 3:16).

When we pray today, we don't pray to Jesus in the Name of Jesus as that would be incorrect because it suggests using His power of attorney towards Himself, which makes no sense. The power of attorney Jesus gave us is to act in His stead, to use His Name as though He were the one speaking or making a request.

Imagine you have given your lawyer the power of attorney to act on your behalf. This authority isn't used to address you, but to interact with others on your behalf. Similarly, Jesus has given us His Name to represent Him. So, when we say, "In the Name of Jesus," it carries the same weight as if Jesus Himself were speaking. This is one of the greatest honours we have as Christians.

During our Healing Streams Live Healing Services, when I declare, "I bring you healing in the Name of Jesus," it's not a simple statement; it's a declaration of His authority and power. It doesn't matter where the people are in this world or the situation they're facing; when we use the Name of Jesus, every hindrance is removed, and the power of God is released. His Name is an instrument. Hallelujah!

If you've been diagnosed with cancer, for example, you can kill that cancer using the Name of Jesus. Place your hand over that area and say, "In the Name of Jesus, I command the cancer to die and pass out of my body." If you do it the first time and

nothing seems to happen, don't despair; refuse to be moved. Remember, "They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy" (Jonah 2:8). You can declare repeatedly that it's dead until it dematerializes.

If you've been feeling intense pressure in your head, tell it to loosen up in Jesus' Name! Perhaps you're usually attacked by fear, to the point you don't like being alone in the house at night; it's time to put an end to it. Even now, address that spirit of fear; say, "In the Name of Jesus, fear, I rebuke you; get out." Then start declaring, "I refuse to fear; I'm bold in the Name of Jesus!"

Maybe you've been job-hunting for a long time now to no avail, you can decide and say, "Today, I'm going out to have the best job I've ever had in my life, in the Name of Jesus" and you'll get it. Hallelujah! The power of attorney given to us to use the Name of Jesus is absolute and ineffable. No circumstance, situation, or demon can gainsay, withstand, or refute that power.

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for the power and authority of the mighty Name of Jesus. I stand in the victory and dominion of that Name against circumstances and the forces of darkness. Satan's influence and manoeuvres over God's people are frustrated in the Name of Jesus, and the Church revels in the dominion and triumph of Christ, supremely blessed and favoured, in Jesus' mighty Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

Mark 16:17-18 AMPC; John 14:12-14; Philippians 2:9-11

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 5:11-6:1-20 & Jeremiah 48-49

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 3:13-22 & Ezekiel 37



THURSDAY 7

## HE DELIGHTS IN FULFILLING YOUR DESIRES



...Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you...ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full (John 16:23-24).

bserve what the Lord Jesus said in our opening scripture; He clarifies that we can ask the Father anything in His Name, and it will be granted.

When you walk in love, your desires naturally align with His; therefore, you won't ask for anything outside His will. He thus encourages us to ask and receive so that our joy may be full. What a blessed invitation! It shows the Father's desire to bless us. Unlike earthly parents or others who may become weary of too many requests, God never grows weary of our many requests. He delights in answering us and fulfilling our desires.

Therefore, when you ask, believe that you receive. Jesus did not say to ask and wait indefinitely; He said to ask and receive. This means from the moment you ask, start rejoicing and acting as though you already received because, in the spirit, it's done.

We often deal with disappointments from people who don't keep their promises, but God is not like that. He is faithful, and He keeps His Word. Humans may fail, forget, or disappoint, but God never fails. 1 Peter 3:12 says, "For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers...." Hallelujah!

In Hebrews 13:5 (AMPC), the Bible says, "...for He [God] Himself has said, I will not in any way fail you nor give you up nor leave you without support. [I will] not, [I will] not, [I will] not in any degree leave you helpless nor forsake nor let [you] down (relax My hold on you)! [Assuredly not!]." Ponder those words for a moment and be overwhelmed by the Father's love and desire for you to live in fullness of joy, peace, confidence, dominion and victory every day. He delights in you and in fulfilling your desires.

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for our privilege and authority in prayer, and my joy is made full. I refuse to doubt or waver because your Word is ever dependable, ever-sure and ever-trustworthy. Thank you for always hearing me and granting my petitions, for indeed, your Word is yes and amen, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

Matthew 7:7-11; Mark 11:24; 1 John 5:14-15

## 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 7 & Jeremiah 50-51

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 4:1-19 & Ezekiel 38



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FRIDAY 8

## **HIS WORD-A GUIDING LIGHT**



For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light (Psalm 36:9).

Some people allow past experiences or disappointments to shape their relationship with God, and that's wrong. God's Word is and must remain the foundation of your walk with Him. Your daily relationship with Him should be guided by His Word, not by what you have faced or what others say. His Word is the light that guides us every step of the way. Hallelujah!

Remember the words of the psalmist, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalm 119:105). Those who ignore the Word grope in the dark and face so many calamities in life: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge..." (Hosea 4:6). The Word of God is your life and your light; so never be casual or too familiar with the Word.

Let the truths and realities of the Scriptures stir you up all the time. Love the Word. Hear the Word and acknowledge it; and then live the Word. That's what you need to win every day. That's what you need to walk in the supernatural every day. The Lord Jesus said in John 8:12, "...I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." How do you follow Him?

You follow Him in the Word, through the Word, and by the Word. Then He says, when you follow Him, not only will you not walk in darkness, you'll have the light of life. In other words, you'll have answers; you'll have solutions to life's issues and problems. You'll be a victor all the way. You'll know exactly which way to go and what the direction for your life is. That's what the Word gives you. Light gives direction. Light shows the way. God's Word (His Light) illuminates your path to see, apprehend, and walk in the

path God has preordained for you—His destiny for your life. Hallelujah!

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for your Word that is a guiding light in my life, illuminating my path as I fulfil my destiny in Christ, guided by your truth and wisdom. Thank you for granting me answers, solutions and the clarity I need to fulfil my purpose, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

Proverbs 6:23; John 1:4; John 8:12 NIV

## 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 8 & Jeremiah 52

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 5:1-14 & Ezekiel 39



SATURDAY 9

## **ALWAYS A GLORIOUS DAY**



This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it (Psalm 118:24).

Some people have never truly experienced the day-to-day triumphant and supernatural life that God has called them to live. For them, Christianity is just another religion, marked by mediocrity and a lack of results. But I refused to accept that kind of life from the moment I was born again. I made a decision very early in my life to put the Word of God to work and live the divine life as exemplified by Jesus Christ for us in the Word.

Since I made that choice, the results have been undeniably outstanding and astounding. Thus, I'm confident to tell everyone "It works! The Word works!" I'm living proof that it does. Glory to God! I wasn't going to settle for a religious experience; no, I saw from the Scriptures that we are ordained to win always.

We walk in blessings every day and dispense the same to our world. It's part of our heritage in Christ. We are the blessed, and we are the blessing. Hallelujah! How could anyone know this and have a blue day? Some believe that the transcendent life ended with the apostles in Bible days; no! We're living in the reality of the Bible days right now.

Don't think or say, "Today is just not my day." Every day is your day—your day of victory, dominion and favour. When you wake up in the morning, declare, "Today is my day! I'm excited about today!" Having received the Holy Spirit, you should never have a single day of defeat or despair. Everything that comes your way is an opportunity for progress and promotion. Every challenge is a stepping stone to greater victories. Have this consciousness and enjoy a glorious day every day!

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I choose to live by your Word, experiencing the supernatural every day. I walk in health, prosperity, victory, success and joy. I'm moving forward and upward, making progress, always triumphant and victorious, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

Acts 20:32; 2 Corinthians 2:14; Psalm 68:19

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 9:1-10 & Lamentations 1-2

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

2 Peter 1:1-12 & Ezekiel 40



SUNDAY 10

## MIND YOUR LANGUAGE



For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith (Mark 11:23).

ou must learn to speak in alignment with God's Word, not with the language of fear or negativity that the world teaches. For example, instead of saying, "I'm afraid it's going to rain," simply say, "It's going to rain!" Don't talk fear!

If you're searching for something and can't seem to find it, or you're trying to move something heavy, what should your response be? Never say, "I can't?" You see, that's what the world has dropped into the hearts of many that's so difficult to eradicate. But you're different. You're a child of God, and in our Kingdom, we talk differently. We speak faith, not fear, doubt, or unbelief.

Using the expression, "I can't" reinforces a mindset of limitation. One might think it's just about a specific situation, like not being able to move something, but it's more than that. It's incongruous with your divine nature. Recall what Paul said: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13 NKJV). In Christianity, we have the "I-can-do" mentality. It forms the basis for our communication.

2 Corinthians 4:13 says, "We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak." We speak the Word. We speak in alignment with the divine realities of our heavenly Kingdom. Life is about what you say. Proverbs 18:21 says, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof." So, mind your language; speak right. Speak truth; God's Word is truth (John 17:17).

## CONFESSION

I take my place of dominion and reign through words. I walk in divine health, victory, peace and prosperity. I live above the elements and debilitating forces of this world because I live in Christ, I'm seated with Him, far above Satan and the wicked forces of darkness. The world is subject to me. Blessed be God!

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

Romans 12:2 AMPC; 1 Peter 3:10; Mark 11:23 NKJV

### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 9:11-28 & Lamentations 3-5

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

2 Peter 1:13-21 & Ezekiel 41



MONDAY 11

## THE LEGALITIES OF INTERCESSION



Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified (Isaiah 43:26).

■hen we pray, especially in intercession, it's crucial to understand the legalities involved. requires a deep comprehension of these legalities because it's an argumentative prayer, where you present your case, make your claims, and provide the legal reasons for your requests.

Intercession is different from the prayer of faith, although it still requires faith. The prayer of faith is often a single declaration, a one-time statement where you believe and receive, trusting that it is done. However, intercession frequently requires importunity, earnestness, and fervency in prayer because it involves standing in the gap for others. Without such intensity and persistence in intercession, things could go awry for those you're praying for.

In intercession, you're taking a stand between God and the person or people you're praying for. You step in on their behalf, presenting your case before God and explaining why what you're asking for should be done for them. This is why it's important to be clear about your legal position and claims when interceding. This is much more than just asking God for something; it's about understanding the authority you've been given and using it effectively to argue your case.

So learn to stand in the gap and bring the needs of others before God in prayer. Study God's Word intensely to know it intimately so you can use the Word to plead your case effectively. Remember what He said in Isaiah 41:21, "Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong reasons, saith the King of Jacob." Then in Chapter 43 verse 26, He said, "Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified." Our confidence that He hears and grants our intercessions is on the basis of His Word. Blessed be God!

## **PRAYER**

Righteous Father, I thank you for the privilege of intercession, where I can stand in the gap for others to fervently plead their case in accordance to your Word. Thank you for the authority you've given to me in Christ to establish your will on earth and in the lives of people everywhere, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

James 5:16-18 AMPC; 1 Timothy 2:1-6; Hosea 14:2

## 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 10:1-18; & Ezekiel 1-2

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

2 Peter 2:1-22 & Ezekiel 42



**TUESDAY 12** 

## WE DECIDE THE TIMING



And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time (2 Thessalonians 2:6).

n 2 Thessalonians 2:3, Paul, by the Spirit writes, "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition." Who is the "son of perdition"? It's the Antichrist. The Bible describes him as one "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4).

The Antichrist is someone who not only rejects God but also exalts himself above God, setting himself up as an object of worship. This deception is a hallmark of the end times, a period of great spiritual and moral decadence. However, our theme scripture also gives us a clue about the timeline of these events; it indicates that something or someone is currently restraining the Antichrist, preventing him from being revealed before the proper time.

Who is this restraining force? It is the Church, filled with the Holy Spirit, standing in the gap and holding back the full manifestation of lawlessness. The presence of the Church on earth is the restraining force against the powers of darkness. Paul further clarifies in verse 7, "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way."

This means that lawlessness is already at work in the world, but it is being restrained by the Holy Spirit through the Church. We have a significant role to play in these last days. The Church must continue to stand firm, preach the Gospel, and live out the truth of God's Word. Until we are "taken out of the way," we have the authority to dictate the timing of the Antichrist's revelation.

Our mission is clear: Preach the Gospel to every creature, in all nations, because only through faith in Jesus Christ can they be saved. There's no other way (Mark 16:15-16). We decide the timing through our actions, our prayers, and the spread of the Gospel. As we fulfil our mission, God is counting the souls brought into His Kingdom.

He's the one who knows the exact number of those who must be saved and keeps the records. When the full number of the Gentiles is brought in as the Bible says in Romans 11:25, then the end will come. Until then, we continue to haul back the forces of darkness, keeping Satan and his cohorts of darkness where they belong— under our feet!

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I stand firm, by your Spirit, against the forces of darkness and hold back the full manifestation of evil until the appointed time. I pray that every Christian remains steadfast in our mission to preach the Gospel to all nations, quickly bringing many to salvation, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **FURTHER STUDY:**

Mark 16:15-16; Romans 11:25; 1 Thessalonians 5:4-6

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 10:19-39 & Ezekiel 3-4

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

2 Peter 3:1-18 & Ezekiel 43



## A SUPERNATURAL TRANSFORMATION



Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new (2 Corinthians 5:17).

s a child of God, you have a new nature. This is fundamental knowledge for every Christian, yet many haven't fully grasped it. When you were born again, it wasn't just a religious experience; it was a supernatural transformation. Something incredible took place in your spirit; a new man with a new nature came into being.

The human life you were born with was supplanted by the life and nature of God in Jesus Christ. This is the true meaning of being born again. The very life and nature of God that Jesus brought to this world, the organic and existential attributes of divinity, was imparted to your spirit. This is why Jesus came. He came to give you a new life, a supernatural life.

This is what 2 Corinthians 5:17 means: "...If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all become new." There's been are a supernatural transformation now that you're born again. Therefore, it makes no difference what obtained in your natural life prior to your being born again; there's a new you! Whether it was a disease, an infirmity, or any other limitation-now that you're born again, there's been a change.

The old "you" wasn't renovated or revamped but recreated after the image of God that created you (Colossians 3:10). You were recreated to look like God and to function like Him. Glory to God! No wonder He says in Ephesians 4:24, "...put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true **holiness."** This new you is created in righteousness and true holiness, perfected in Christ.

There's nothing that's supposed to be in you that isn't in you now. Also, there's nothing that shouldn't be in you that's in you. Now you can understand why He says, "all things have become new"; everything in your life is new now that you're born again. It's crucial that you know this truth. Your acknowledgement of it activates its power in your life as the Bible says, "That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus" (Philemon 1:6). Hallelujah!

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I acknowledge that I'm a new creature in Christ; old things, including sickness, disease, infirmity, and all kinds of limitations have passed away, and all things have become new. I walk in the knowledge of this truth, and its power is fully activated in my life to live the transcendent life and walk in the fullness of my new nature in Christ, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### FURTHER STUDY:

Colossians 3:8-10; Romans 6:4; 1 Corinthians 6:11

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 11:1-16 & Ezekiel 5-7

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 John 1:1-10 & Ezekiel 44



THURSDAY 14

## ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR TRUE IDENTITY



And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free (John 8:32).

ne of the fundamental requirements manifestation of truth in anyone's life is the knowledge of that truth. Hosea 4:6 says, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge...." Ignorance leads to destruction because without understanding, people walk in darkness and fail to realize their true potential.

Also, in Psalm 82:6, the Lord said, "I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High." This verse reminds us of our divine identity and potential. However, many don't understand and live in the reality of this truth. We see the result of this ignorance in the latter part of that verse: "But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes" (Psalm 82:7).

We're divine beings; we're "gods" because God gave birth to us: "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God" (John 1:12-13). James 1:18 says, "Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures."

This is the profound reality of our spiritual identity: we're as divine as He is divine because we have the same life with Him. Every so often, declare, "I know who I am!" Acknowledge your true identity. Knowing who you are in Christ empowers you and causes you to live triumphantly every day.

Consider how the Lord Jesus responded to the gruelling interrogation before Pilate. When questioned and accused, Jesus remained silent until Pilate asserted his supposed authority saying, "I can free you or have you crucified." Jesus then spoke up, summarizing His response with the acknowledgement of His true identity. He said, "You have no power over me at all" (John 19:11). Jesus' initial silence and subsequent declaration demonstrated His unwavering understanding of who He was. Just as the Lord Jesus knew His purpose and identity, you too must recognize and embrace your divine identity. This knowledge equips you to live boldly and purposefully, regardless of external pressures or challenges.

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I know and understand my true identity in Christ. I'm the righteousness of God in Christ, imbued with eternal life, the organic and existential attributes of deity. I'm victorious and vibrant, strong and excellent. I walk in the light of this truth every day, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### FURTHER STUDY:

2 Peter 1:4; 2 Corinthians 5:17; 1 Peter 2:9 AMPC

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 11:17-40 & Ezekiel 8-10

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1 John 2:1-14 & Fzekiel 45



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FRIDAY 15

## MILK, MEAT, AND STRONG MEAT



For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age ... (Hebrews 5:13-14).

ur opening scripture emphasizes the importance of growing to maturity spiritually. It tells us that anyone who lives on milk is still an infant and therefore not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. The Bible talks about the sincere milk of the Word of God. Milk is for beginners; therefore, to stay on milk means to remain in spiritual infancy.

1 Peter 2:1-2 tells us something instructive; it says, "Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby." Only those who are spiritually immature practice malice, guile, hypocrisy, envy and evil speaking. Such folks are to crave or desire the pure spiritual milk of the Word and grow unto maturity.

Take your Bible study seriously; learn the truth of God's Word and grow. There's more to spiritual nourishment than just milk. There's the "meat" of God's Word, and then there's also "strong meat." Strong meat belongs to the mature in Christ, those who have learned to live spiritually.

Recall what Paul said to the Christians in Corinth: "And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able" (1 Corinthians 3:1-2). You must mature in the Word and develop a deep understanding of the Scriptures.

Just as in physical growth where a person moves from milk to solid food, there comes a time also when a Christian must transition from the elementary teachings to the deeper, more challenging doctrines of faith and then be ready to handle even more complex truths (read Hebrews 5:11-14).

Make your personal spiritual growth a top priority. Read Ephesians 4:14-15 NIV, and see God's desire for your life: "Then we will no longer be infants...Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ." Hallelujah!

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, thank you for the spiritual nourishment you provide through your Word. I move beyond the basics and grow in understanding and application of the deeper truths of the Scriptures. I'm strengthened in my resolve to develop and exercise my faith, grow unto maturity, and manifest the glorylife, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### **FURTHER STUDY:**

1 Corinthians 3:1-2; Ephesians 4:14-15; Hebrews 6:1-2

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 12:1-13 & Ezekiel 11-12

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 John 2:15-29 & Ezekiel 46



SATURDAY 16

## HIS WORKS CONTINUE THROUGH US



Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father (John 14:12).

What we just read are some of the most extraordinary words from the lips of the Master. He said those who believe in Him, not only will they do the same works that He did, but they'll do greater works. This is only possible because Jesus has ascended to the Father, and through the Holy Spirit, His work continues through us.

Recall what the Scripture says in Isaiah 53:10, "Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand." This verse speaks prophetically of the Church, the body of Christ, as the seed of Jesus Christ. It tells us that after His vicarious sacrifice, the Lord Jesus will see His seed—the Church—and we shall prolong His days. Hallelujah!

That's what's going on; Jesus multiplies Himself through the Church today; He continues His mission through us. In Acts 1:1, Luke writes to Theophilus about "...all that Jesus began both to do and teach." The key word here is "began"; Jesus started the work, but we continue it. We are the extension of His ministry, teaching, impacting and transforming lives as He did.

The same Spirit that anointed Jesus for His work resides in us, enabling us to continue and expand upon what He started. Through the Holy Spirit, we're empowered to reach more people and impact more lives for the Kingdom of God. Acts 1:8 says, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you:

and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

The Church is the extension of Christ on earth, living in His power and authority, fulfilling His mission. This is a calling of great honour and responsibility. We're His hands, His feet, and His voice in this world, carrying out the will of the Father just as Jesus did.

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, thank you for the privilege of being a part of the body of Christ. I'm forever grateful that through the Holy Spirit, I'm empowered to do your will and establish your righteousness. I walk in this calling with boldness and faith, knowing that my life glorifies you. Thank you for making me an extension of your Kingdom in the earth, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### **FURTHER STUDY:**

John 14:12 AMPC; Isaiah 61:1-2; John 20:21; Matthew 28:18-20

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 12:14-29 & Ezekiel 13-15

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 John 3:1-12 & Ezekiel 47



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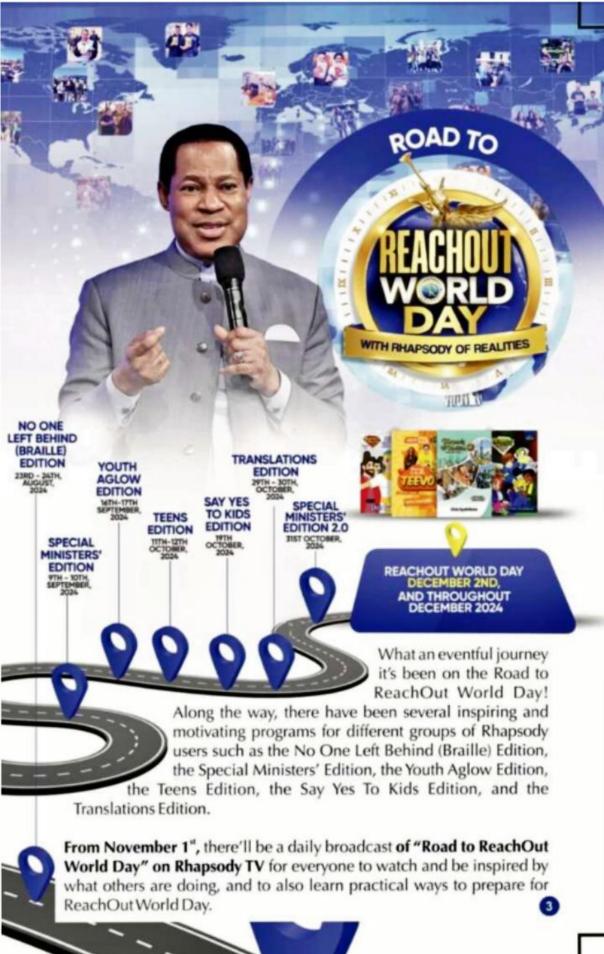


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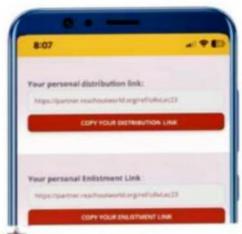
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SUNDAY 17

## DISPLAYING HIS EXCELLENCE AND PERFECTION



But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may proclaim the virtues of the one who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9 NET).

n the book of Acts, Luke reports how Peter and John healed a man who had been lame from birth. As a result, Peter and John were arrested and brought before the Sanhedrin (the Jewish council). During their interrogation, Peter boldly spoke about Jesus and the power of His Name.

The Sanhedrin observed Peter and John's courage and their profound understanding of divine realities, despite their lack of formal education (Acts 4:13). They saw in Peter and John the display of the excellence and perfection of Christ. It's no surprise that the same Peter, by the Spirit, would write in 1 Peter 2:9, "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light."

This is very significant as the term "show forth" translates from the Greek "exaggello," which means to display. Think about that as your calling, your assignment; it's to display the excellence and perfection of divinity. The King James Version uses the term "praises" but that doesn't fully convey the meaning. The best word for it is a combination of excellence and perfection.

So, when it says you should show forth the praises of Him, it means you're to display the excellencies and perfections of the one who called you out of darkness. The AMPC renders it a bit more accurately: "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God's] own purchased, special people, that you

may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light."

Every day is an opportunity for you to fulfil this unique calling, to display the wonders, glory, perfections, love, grace, mercy and righteousness of Christ to the world. Hallelujah!

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, thank you for choosing me and bringing me into your marvellous light. I embrace my unique calling to display your virtues, perfection, love, grace, mercy and righteousness to the world. My life is a reflection of your glory, and the light of your glorious Gospel shines ever so brightly through me today, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### FURTHER STUDY:

Isaiah 60:1-3; Matthew 5:14-16; 2 Peter 1:3 AMPC

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Hebrews 13 & Ezekiel 16

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 John 3:13-24 & Fzekiel 48



MONDAY 18

## HIS WONDROUS LIGHT



But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light (1 Peter 2:9).

eter's beautiful words help us to further understand Christianity. In Christianity, we've been born into God's marvellous light, His wonderful light. The word "marvellous" means wondrous. Most translations interpret this as if we're being brought out of literal darkness into light. But that's not the full picture.

When it says He brought us out of darkness, the term "darkness" actually means obscurity. He called you out of obscurity. He's not referring to being called out of the kingdom of darkness in a general sense, but rather being brought out of obscurity-out of being unknown, unrecognized, unnoticed, where nobody knows or cares about you.

He brought you out of obscurity into limelight, His wondrous or wonderful light. Why does He call it wonderful light? It will take several scriptures to fully explain this, but I want you to understand that this is the light of Jesus Christ.

In Luke 1:79, Zechariah, the father of John the Baptist spoke about the message of salvation that would be brought forth, saying that this message would illuminate those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death: "To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." They were sitting in darkness, sitting in obscurity, but Christ would be their light.

This means His wonderful light does two things: it illuminates you and then makes you luminous. You become lambent and resplendent. Yours is the kind of light that both illuminates and transforms into a light source itself. The light is so strong, so dazzling that it turns its subjects into lights. That's why it's described as His marvellous light, His wondrous light. You've been brought into this light, and now you are lambent. Hallelujah!

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, thank you for bringing me into your marvellous light. I'm no longer hidden, unknown, or obscure; I'm a city set on a hill, lambent with unquenchable intensity. My life is a testament to your transformative power as I continue to grow and glow in your wondrous light, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### **FURTHER STUDY:**

Matthew 5:14-16; Isaiah 60:1; Ephesians 5:8; 2 Corinthians 4:6 NIV

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

James 1 & Ezekiel 17-19

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 John 4:1-14 & Daniel 1-2



## THE PRIDE OF THE AGES



Although you have been forsaken and hated, with no one traveling through, I will make you the everlasting pride and the joy of all generations (Isaiah 60:15 NIV).

he prophetic words in Isaiah 60:15 are worth celebrating. It says, "Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through thee, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations." He said to Israel, "I will make you." I love those words. It brings to mind the words of Jesus in Mark 1:17, "... Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men."

You don't have to struggle to "become" anything when you follow the Lord; He makes you. Read again what He said in Isaiah 60:15, "...I will make you an eternal excellency...." This is God's plan-to make the Church, every one of us, an eternal excellency; what a transcendent thought!

It means we're the pride of the ages. The Complete Jewish Bible (CJB) puts it beautifully: "In the past you were abandoned and hated, so that no one would even pass through you; but now I will make you the pride of the ages, a joy for many generations." You're the joy of many generations—that's what God is saying about you. This is His purpose for your life.

Believe and act on these words. Affirm that you're what God says you are. Respond by saying, "Blessed Father, I'm the pride of my family, city, and nation; I'm the pride of many generations in the Name of Jesus." Amen!

## PRAYER

Dear Father, thank you for making me the pride of the ages, a joy to many generations. I'm the pride of my family, city, and nation.

I walk in this consciousness, filled with your glory. Your light shines through me, and I'm a beacon of hope and a testimony of your love, grace and goodness, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### **FURTHER STUDY:**

Isaiah 60:15 AMPC; Psalm 135:4; 1 Peter 2:9

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

James 2-3:1-13 & Ezekiel 20-21

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 John 4:15-21 & Daniel 3-4



WEDNESDAY 20

## HIS STANDARDS ARE UNCHANGING



For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him (2 Corinthians 5:21).

ithout a proper understanding of righteousness, it's impossible to live a true Christian life. Why is righteousness so important? To truly understand righteousness, we must first understand God. This is because, in the world, righteousness isn't typically discussed. People might talk about doing what is right or wrong in terms of good and evil, but these are based on human definitions and moral standards.

These standards can change depending on cultural, societal, or individual beliefs about what is right or wrong. For example, in certain countries, though bizarre, their law allows for same-sex marriages, meaning that in such societies, if a man marries another man, it's considered okay. But in certain other societies, this act might be considered wrong or even punishable by death. In one place, it's seen as normal; in another, it's viewed as a grave sin. But God's position on it is clearly defined in the Scriptures in both the Old and New Testaments (Leviticus 18:22, Romans 1:26-32).

God's concept of righteousness is different. Many people mistakenly believe that the majority opinion represents the voice of God, but that's not true. Whether the majority gets it right or wrong is irrelevant. God has His own voice, His own standards, His own Kingdom, and His own choices. He has expressed His will through Jesus Christ, whom He sent.

When we talk about righteousness, we're talking about God's ability and attribute, the character of God to be right and perfect. It is about who He is. How He thinks is always right. What He says is always right. What He does is always right because He's God. So, everything about God—His thoughts, His words, His actions—is always right. This is what we call the quality of rightness, the rightness of God.

Therefore, understanding righteousness is about understanding who God is. It is about recognizing that His standards are unchanging and not subject to human opinions or societal norms.

## **PRAYER**

Righteous Father, I align my thoughts, words and actions with your unchanging standards and live in your righteousness in this crooked and perverse world, shining as a light. I'm the unveiling of your righteousness. I'm a tree of righteousness, planted to produce fruits of righteousness. My life is a reflection of your grace and a testimony of your goodness, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### **FURTHER STUDY:**

Romans 1:16-17; Romans 1:26-32; Philippians 3:9

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

James 3:14-4:1-12 & Ezekiel 22-23

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 John 5:1-21 & Daniel 5-6



## **VESSELS OF DIVINE POWER**

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us (2 Corinthians 4:7).

Did you know that as a child of God, you have an indescribable treasure in you? God has deposited His divine power and glory within our "earthen vessels," our human bodies. We're vessels of divine power. Why did He do this? The Scripture tells us why: "...that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."

His extraordinary power and glory are tabernacled in our physical bodies so that when they're manifested, everyone would see and recognize they're not of human origin. They're beyond anything human strength can produce. Glory to God! No wonder Paul said, "Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God" ( 2 Corinthians 3:5).

Read our opening verse again, this time, from the Amplified Classic for a clearer understanding. It says, "However, we possess this precious treasure [the divine Light of the Gospel] in [frail, human] vessels of earth, that the grandeur and exceeding greatness of the power may be shown to be from God and not from ourselves." Every day is an opportunity for you to manifest God's glory and power. The Bible says He's called us to a life of glory and virtue, a life of excellence (2 Peter 1:3).

Your life is for the glory of God. Hallelujah! Every day, as you live by faith and walk in the knowledge of God, you demonstrate the divine power that is within you. As a result of this divine power, the Bible says you've been granted all things that pertain to life and godliness. You've become a participator in the divine experience, a partaker of the divine nature.

Nothing is impossible with you. You can do the unthinkable and the unimaginable: "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us" (Ephesians 3:20). Live boldly and confidently every day, knowing that God's extraordinary power is at work in you and effuses through you for His glory. You're a vessel of divine power.

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, thank you for the precious treasure of your divine power and glory within me. I am grateful that your extraordinary power is manifested in my life for your glory. I live in the consciousness of this truth, shining your light and manifesting your glory to the world as I walk in your power and righteousness, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### FURTHER STUDY:

Colossians 1:27; 2 Corinthians 3:5 AMPC; Romans 8:11

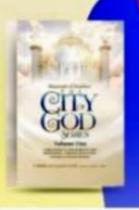
1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

James 4:13-5:1-20 & Ezekiel 24-26

2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

2 John & Daniel 7-8

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## SUPERIOR TO ANGELS



Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life (1 Corinthians 6:3).

This scripture indicates that Christians will indeed judge angels. We will be seated together with Christ on thrones, and we shall judge the world and judge angels according to the Scriptures.

Does this imply that Christians are superior to God's angels? Yes, and our superiority is the result of our identity, our oneness with Christ. We're joint heirs with Christ, born of the Spirit of God. Unlike the angels who are servants of God, we're God's children: "The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs--heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ..." (Romans 8:16-17 NKJV).

The Bible says, "...the servant abideth not in the house forever: but the Son abideth ever" (John 8:35). And 1 John 3:2 says, "Beloved, now are we the sons of God...;" we have the rights and privileges of sonship. We're one with Christ, and He has given us His authority; we live and function in His Name.

Some have asked for clarification with reference to Matthew 22:30 which indicates that at the resurrection we would be as angels. You have to understand the context: it says, "For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven." Here, Jesus was responding to a question about marriage after resurrection, but He clarified that in the resurrection, we won't be bound by earthly institutions like marriage. Instead, we will be like the angels, without gender, and will not engage in marriage.

This doesn't mean we will "drop" in rank to the status of angels but that we'll transcend earthly distinctions. In the

resurrection, we'll be like God, who is neither male nor female. Presently, the angels are sent to serve us: "But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool? Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation" (Hebrews 1:13-14).

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for making me a joint heir with Christ, seated in heavenly places with Him, living and walking in the authority in His Name. I walk in the consciousness of my divine nature and live victoriously, reigning in life through Christ. Thank you for my divine oneness with you, my position, authority and inheritance in Christ, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### FURTHER STUDY:

1 John 3:1-2; Romans 8:16-17 NIV; Ephesians 2:4-6

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 1:1-21 & Ezekiel 27-28

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

3 John & Daniel 9-10



SATURDAY 23

## **IDENTIFY AND CAST THE DEVIL OUT**



And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself (Luke 13:11).

In Luke 13:10-17, Jesus was teaching in a synagogue on the Sabbath day when He saw a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for 18 years, causing her to be bent over and unable to straighten up. He called to her and said, "Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity" and laid His hands on her. Immediately, the woman was made straight, and she glorified God.

It's remarkable how Jesus ministered to the woman: He said, "And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" (Luke 13:16). The Lord Jesus revealed the true cause of her suffering; it was Satan who had bound her for 18 years. Jesus identified the spirit behind her affliction as a spirit of infirmity. That's why no doctor could help her, as they knew nothing about demons; but Jesus set her free from that bondage.

In the same way, many people today are suffering, not knowing the true cause of their problems. But you see, many of the challenges that some people are faced with in life are caused by demons. So, identify and cast the devil out. Demons don't care who they oppress; they can afflict children and adults alike. That's why you must cast out devils. Never be casual with or ignorant of demonic activities. Stay in the Word and be quick to exercise your dominion in Christ.

In Mark 6:7, Jesus called His twelve disciples and sent them out in pairs, giving them authority over unclean spirits. In Matthew 10:8, He instructed His disciples to "Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give."

In Mark 16:17, He said, "And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils...." You've been given the authority and ability to cast out devils in the Name of Jesus. Exercise that dominion even now and frustrate the influence and manipulations of Satan in your body, in the life of a loved one, and in your family or environment.

## CONFESSION

I have authority to heal the sick and bring health and joy to a hurting world. Satan has no place in my life, in my home or in my family. I have the power to cast out demons in Jesus' Name, and I'll use it to the glory of God. Amen.

#### FURTHER STUDY:

Luke 10:17-19; Mark 6:7; Luke 13:10-17

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 1:22-2:1-25 & Ezekiel 29-30

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Jude 1:1-11 & Daniel 11-12



SUNDAY 24

## JESUS-THE PROFILE OF THE FATHER



Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature (Colossians 1:15).

The Greek word translated "image" in the scripture above is "eikon," which is where the English gets the word "icon." It means resemblance or profile. God is invisible, but if you want to know what He looks like, Jesus is the image, the profile of the invisible God.

This helps us further understand the words of Jesus in John 14:8 (NKJV) when Philip said to Him, "...Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us." Jesus replied him, "...Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?" (John 14:9). This is amazing!

For their religious minds, this was too huge because Jesus had been talking so much about the Father. He talked about His oneness with the Father and that He would return to the Father. They wanted to see the Father, but He told them, "...he that hath seen me hath seen the Father..." (John 14:9). In Hebrews 1:3, we get another powerful description; it says, "Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person...." The Greek word translated "express image" here is "charakter," and it means exact copy, perfect imprint or facsimile.

Jesus is the exact representation of God's essence. If you want to see the perfect imprint of God's person, it's found in Jesus. Jesus displayed the divine nature, essence, and character of God. No wonder John 1:18 says, "No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him." The Greek word for "declared" here is 'exēgeomai,' meaning to display or rehearse.

Jesus didn't merely talk about God; He rehearsed and displayed the divine nature. The great and mighty works He did are proofs of His divine essence and oneness with the Father. He said, "Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me, or else believe me for the sake of the works themselves" (John 14:11 NKJV).

## **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for revealing your essence and nature through Jesus Christ, the perfect imprint of your being. As I behold the image of Christ through the Word, I see you, for He is the exact representation of your character, your love and your glory. I rejoice that through Christ, I have come to know the Father. I am transformed into the image of your dear Son. Thank you for your boundless love expressed so perfectly in me. Amen.

#### FURTHER STUDY:

John 1:18 NIV; John 14:9-10 MSG; Hebrews 1:3 AMPC

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 3 & Ezekiel 31-32

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Jude 1:12-25 & Hosea 1-2



MONDAY 25

## THE REAL MEDICINE



My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh (Proverbs 4:20-22).

Notice what we just read; first, it says "...attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart...." How can you attend to God's words if you don't know them? That's why it's important to study, meditate, and act on the Word continually by the Spirit.

Secondly, it says, "For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh." God's Word has the power to heal and deliver. His words are life and health to all your flesh. The Hebrew word for health here is "marpe," and it means cure or medicine; the Word has curative powers. That's why the King James Version uses the word 'health'; God's Word is medicine for your body.

If you have a problem with your body, like a health condition, and you meditate on God's Word, you'll be cured. God's Word is the real medicine—the universal, infallible panacea for any issue regarding your health. Through meditation, the real medicine enters your heart, your veins, your arteries, your muscles, your bones, effecting a cure, mending and perfecting all things.

This is the reason someone who's been diagnosed with cancer can get cured by meditating on the Word. The Word is a healer and a cleanser (John 15:3); it'll cleanse your blood; it'll purify and cleanse it of any kind of sickness, disease or infirmity. Psalm 107:20 says, "He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions."

It brings to mind Job 33:19-22 where the Bible describes the sufferings of a man in pain and weakness and how his suffering became so severe; his body had deteriorated and was at the precipice of death. But verse 23 in the Amplified Classic Translation revealed his hope; it says, "[God's voice may be heard] if there is for the hearer a messenger or an angel, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to show to man what is right for him [how to be upright and in right standing with God]." God's voice—His Word—can be heard; when you hear it, it imparts faith to you; it brings you healing and makes you whole.

## **PRAYER**

Thank you Father for your Word that brings healing and deliverance. Your Word is medicine to my body; my entire being —my organs, bones, veins, arteries, blood—are inundated by the Word. I walk in divine health and victory, because your Word is my life, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

#### **FURTHER STUDY:**

Psalm 107:20; Proverbs 4:20-22 NIV; Matthew 8:16

#### 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 4 & Ezekiel 33-34

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Revelation 1:1-20 & Hosea 3-4



**TUESDAY 26** 

## REVELATION: THE TRUE PATH TO KNOWING HIM



But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace, To reveal his Son in me... (Galatians 1:15-16).

There're those who attempt to understand God through their intellect as though God could be studied in a laboratory. However, knowing God is not something that can be achieved through mental effort or intellectual exercise. Even Paul the apostle, a highly educated man, realized that his learning was insufficient when it came to knowing Jesus Christ. He needed revelation.

You can only know God by the revelation of the Spirit. There's a level of humility required to reach that point. You must come to the realization that no amount of intellectual prowess could help you here; you need God's revelation. And when you humble yourself, God will reveal Himself to you as He did with Paul.

Paul was an erudite scholar; read Philippians 3 where he declared his resume and made some very thought-provoking statements. He said, "Concerning the righteousness which is in the law, I was blameless"; he knew it all (Philippians 3:6). Then he says in verses 8-10, "Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: ...that I may win Christ, and be found in him...That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection..." (Philippians 3:8-10).

Then in Galatians 1:15-16, he said, "But when it pleased God...to reveal his Son in me." It was by revelation that Paul eventually came to know Jesus Christ. No wonder he prayed a beautiful prayer of the Spirit for the Christians in Ephesus that God

would grant them the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him (Ephesians 1:17-18).

He understood that you couldn't "experiment" or hypothesize to know God or discover Him through history alone. Without revelation, no one could truly know God, and that's why we pray for those who don't know Him, that their eyes be opened to the truth of the Gospel and that the veil of darkness in their hearts be removed by the Spirit to receive divine revelation and experience the fullness of God's love and salvation. Amen.

# **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I pray for those yet to know you that you will reveal yourself to them by your Spirit, removing every veil of darkness and barrier of ignorance and pride from their hearts. I pray that their minds be enlightened to know and experience the fullness of your love and salvation, and comprehend the truth of the Gospel. By your grace, many will come to the full knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ today, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# **FURTHER STUDY:**

1 Corinthians 2:9-12; Ephesians 1:15-18; Matthew 16:13-17

# 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 Peter 5 & Ezekiel 35-36

## 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Revelation 2:1-12 & Hosea 5-6



WEDNESDAY 27

# TRANSCENDENTLY BLESSED



Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ (Ephesians 1:3).

s a Christian, there's no blessing from God that's not already in you and actively at work in your life. You've been blessed with ALL spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. Just imagine any blessing you want; it's already yours because you're in Christ; the blessings are in Christ. 2 Corinthians 1:20 tells us that all the blessings of God in Christ are yes and amen to the glory of God. Hallelujah!

It explains why Peter declares in 1 Peter 3:9, "Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing." In Christ Jesus, we're supremely and graciously blessed; no curse can work against you. You're seated together with Christ in heavenly places (Ephesians 2:6), far above all principality and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this world, but also in that which is to come (Ephesians 1:21).

Therefore, from where and from whom would the curse come? Remember the story of Balaam, a prophet hired by Balak to curse Israel. He realized that no curse or enchantment could prevail against God's chosen people. God had blessed them, and no external power could undo that blessing. Numbers 23:23 says, "Surely there is no enchantment against Jacob, neither is there any divination against Israel...."

If the Old Testament Israel couldn't be cursed, how much more the Church of Christ, also called the Israel of God? Hallelujah! No evil machinations, enchantments or witchcraft can

work against you. The demons recognize who you are; there's a mark on you; you're branded by God and they know it! They know you're blessed and superior to them. You're in Christ, and Christ is in you.

Someone may try to take your position at work; you don't need to get worked up or start praying against them. You're already victorious. That's what the Bible says, "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us" (Romans 8:37). You're always in victory (1 Corinthians 15:57). Glory to God!

# **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for making me a partaker of your divine nature and for blessing me with your abundant grace. I walk in divine favour, because I'm supremely blessed. My life is full of glory and excellence. I'm a living testimony of your manifold wisdom. Thank you for the victory I have in Christ now and always, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# **FURTHER STUDY:**

Galatians 3:13-14; Numbers 23:23 AMPC; 1 Peter 3:9 NIV; Galatians 3:9

## 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

2 Peter 1 & Ezekiel 37-38

# 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Revelation 2:13-29 & Hosea 7-8



THURSDAY 28

# REPROVING THE WORLD OF SIN



And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment (John 16:8).

peroving the world for its wicked works and evil is a core part of the ministry of Christ. He told us in John 16:8 that when the Holy Spirit comes, He'll do the same thing; He'll continue this work. He does exactly that today. Let's read our opening verse again, this time, from the AMPC: "And when He comes. He will convict and convince the world and bring demonstration to it about sin, and about righteousness, (uprightness of heart, and right standing with God) and about judgment."

The Holy Spirit convicts and convinces the world of sin, showing them the error of their ways and the righteousness that comes through Christ. But how does He carry out this ministry? He does it through us. We're His vessels, bearing His message of salvation to the world. So, let's keep heralding His truth and praying for the lost that God will guide them to embrace the truth and be transformed by the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ.

Through our prayers and the preaching of the Gospel, sinners are awakened to their need for salvation. They turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan unto God. Remember that it's Satan that blinded their eyes (2 Corinthians 4:4), but through our prayers, we extricate them from the dominion of Satan, and the light of God's Word penetrates their hearts, illuminating the way of salvation and drawing them into the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

# PRAYER

Dear Father, I thank you for the ministry of the Holy Spirit who convicts and convinces the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment. I pray for those who are yet to know Christ that their eyes be opened to the truth of the Gospel. Today, as they hear your Word, it illuminates their hearts to receive salvation. Thank you Lord, for the finished work of Christ and for the grace that has ushered us into righteousness, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# **FURTHER STUDY:**

John 3:17-18; Acts 26:16-18; 2 Corinthians 4:3-4

# 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

2 Peter 2 & Ezekiel 39-40

# 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Revelation 3:1-10 & Hosea 9-10



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FRIDAY 29

# STAY ENCOURAGED AND PRESS ON



I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy (Romans 11:11).

n your efforts to win souls, disciple new converts and bring them to church, there're those who may never accept your message or agree to join your local fellowship; don't be discouraged. Take a cue from how God dealt with the world. First, Jesus took His message to the Jews, His own people, for He came from among them. He brought them the message of the Kingdom but they rejected Him. What did He do? He then took the message to the Gentiles—to the rest of the world. And even today, many continue to receive that message.

Paul experienced the same thing. As a Jew, he first preached to the Jews, but they argued with him and rejected his message even though he was one of them. They knew him as the man who once persecuted Christians, and when he turned to Christ, they wouldn't listen to him. Many of them even turned against him. But Paul didn't let that stop him.

When the Jews wouldn't accept his message, he turned to the Gentiles and had great success. Your focus should be on those who are open to receive the Gospel. Luke captured some of these. In Acts 13:46, for example, the Bible says, "Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles."

Also, Acts 18:6 tells us, "And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said unto them, your

blood be upon your own heads; I am clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles." Apply the same principle. Don't allow those who reject your message to determine the condition of your spirit or your mood. Pray for them, intercede on their behalf, but don't let their rejection control your heart. Focus on winning others.

As you succeed in reaching more people, one day, those who rejected your message will be provoked by your success and drawn to Christ, just as the Bible tells us that the Jews will be provoked by the salvation of the Gentiles and eventually believe in Jesus Christ. Stay encouraged and press on; keep your focus on the mission, knowing that as you prosper in the work of the Lord, others will be drawn to your light.

# **PRAYER**

Dear Father, I thank you for the wisdom of your Word that guides me to focus on reaching more and more people with the Gospel. Even now, many are drawn to your message of salvation and are converted and established in your Word as your children minister the Gospel around the world today, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# **FURTHER STUDY:**

Matthew 10:14-15; Acts 13:46; Acts 18:6 NKJV

# 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

2 Peter 3 & Ezekiel 41-42

# 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Revelation 3:11-22 & Hosea 11-12



SATURDAY 30

# CONSULT THE SPIRIT FOR GUIDANCE IN ALL **THINGS**



Don't dabble in the occult or traffic with mediums; you'll pollute your souls. I am GOD, your God (Leviticus 19:31 MSG).

n 1 Samuel 28:7-23, we read about the desperate act of King Saul when he sought out a woman practising divination to call up the spirit of Samuel, though Samuel had already died. Saul, troubled and without divine guidance, resorted to something forbidden, consulting with a medium—a witch.

The Bible makes it clear that Saul's actions were grievous to God. Saul knew God's law but deliberately sought out a familiar spirit. In 1 Chronicles 10:13-14, the Bible confirms Saul's disobedience, stating that Saul died for his transgression of seeking counsel from one with a familiar spirit.

Saul knew this was wrong as he had driven out witches and wizards from the land as seen in 1 Samuel 28:9. Yet, in his desperation, he turned to the very evil he had once condemned. God had given an instruction in Exodus 22:18: "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live." He had also explicitly forbidden consulting familiar spirits: "Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God" (Leviticus 19:31).

Also, Deuteronomy 18:10-12 says, "There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord...." Furthermore, Isaiah 8:19-20 warns: "And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead? To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them."

Don't consult with mediums; it's not of God. Divination is wrong in all forms, whether consulting familiar spirits of the living, the dead, or demons. It's wrong to seek the future by consulting the spirits of the dead. Instead, you're to consult the Holy Spirit for guidance concerning anything in life, and He lives in you. Glory to God!

# **PRAYER**

Dear Father, thank you for the light of your Word that guides me in all things. I'm led by the Holy Spirit and filled with your wisdom and truth. My heart is stayed on you, and I walk in the counsel of your Word in all things, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# **FURTHER STUDY:**

Leviticus 19:31 AMPC; 1 Chronicles 10:13-14; John 16:13

# 1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

1 John 1-2:1-14 & Ezekiel 43-44

#### 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:

Revelation 4:1-11 & Hosea 13-14

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