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GATEWAY INTERNATIONAL CHURCH

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## THE PROGRAM

- DAY 1:** ANOINTING SERVICE
- DAY 2:** SHOWERS OF BLESSING
- DAY 3:** COMMUNION OF REMEMBRANCE

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LEAD PASTOR



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## QUIET TIME PROGRAMME

Good Morning Jesus	1Min
Praise And Worship (Hymns & Songs)	6Mins
Power Seeds & Bible Reading	7Mins
Prayer For Self & Family	12Mins
Prayer For Church & Others	7Mins
Spiritual Warfare	5Mins
Quiet Moment To Listen For Divine Direction	5Mins
Final Song and Closing	2Mins
<b>Total</b>	<b>45Mins</b>

# INTRODUCTION

## ▶ INTRODUCTION



"And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed."

Mark 1:35

PASTOR & BARR. MRS.  
GEORGE IZUNWA

During King David's reign, the tabernacle (the movable tent) that Moses had made was erected at the high place in Gibeon. This tabernacle represented the presence of God among the people.

At one particular time when David sinned, he needed a more immediate and convenient altar, so God sent him to Ornan and told David to build on Ornan's threshing floor. **1 Chronicles 21:26** says, "*And David built there an altar to the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called on the LORD; and He answered him from heaven by fire on the altar of burnt offering.*"

Thanks to Jesus, the sacrificial system is out, the need to go through Levitical priests to get to God is out, and the need to stand before a particular altar whenever you pray is out. However, even though all those things are no more, the spirit of each part of David's worship is still necessary today.

You see, your body is now the temple. **1st Corinthians 6:19** says, "*Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit...?*"

It is your responsibility to build an altar to the Lord in your heart, maintain it, and visit it frequently! Receive grace!

Open your Bible and prepare to find the power of His presence as Pastor George Izunwa and Co-Pastor, Manuela Izunwa are set to take you on a journey through the Scriptures in this monthly devotional.



# THE GATEWAY STRATEGY

## This is Gateway International Church

Our mission is to help you genuinely encounter God.

There are three (3) values that drive everything we do in this church;

- i- We Love God Passionately,
- ii- We Love People Unconditionally, and
- iii- We Live Our Faith Intentionally!

There are four (4) things that define a true Jesus' follower;

- i- Every true disciple studies & **LEARNS** from the Bible!
- ii- Every true disciple **LIVES** in holiness before God!
- iii- Every true disciple **LOVES** & serves in the church!
- iv- Every true disciple **LEADS** others to Jesus Christ!

There are five (5) things that will help you get the best from this church;

- i- Always come expectant and worship with passion!
- ii- Receive the man of God with an open heart!



# **THE GATEWAY STRATEGY**

- iii- Be regular and punctual in every church service!
- iv- Join a cell group & serve in a church department!
- v- Use our “Welcome Centre” for all your enquiries!

**There are three (3) activities that define our God first culture as a church;**

- I- God first quiet time!
- ii- God first yearly and monthly consecration!
- iii- God first tithing and first fruits!





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# **COVENANT CONFESSION**

**(Lift up your right hand & declare....)**

**I am Gateway! My covenant place is at the topmost top! I am here to encounter God in His fullness!**

**In 2 Cor 5:17, the Bible declares that, everyone in Christ Jesus is a new creation!  
Therefore I confess that;**

Jesus Christ as my saviour & lord!  
He died for my sins & rose from the dead!  
My past is under the blood of Jesus Christ!  
I am a member of the family of God!  
The Zoe-life of God powers my life!  
The DNA of greatness is in me!  
God's irrevocable covenant defends my destiny!  
Sin, sicknesses, curses, poverty, barrenness, witchcraft, premature death & all evil have no power over me!  
I am holy!  
I am healthy!  
I am happy!  
I am happening!  
My life is going from glory to glory!

**In Job 36:11, God promises that if we obey & serve Him, we will walk in prosperity & pleasure!**

**Therefore I declare that;**

God is first in everything in my life!  
I am committed to kingdom service!  
I am a tither & generous giver!  
I am a Jesus witness & soul winner!  
The Word of God is working for me!  
Spiritual forces are assisting me!  
I am full of creative ideas!



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# COVENANT CONFSSION

I have favour unlimited!  
I have peace like a river!  
I walk in exuberant joy!  
Nothing dies in my hands!  
Where others fail I succeed & thrive!  
My life is blessed & I am a blessing to my generation!

**In 2 Chron 20:20, the Bible declares that when we believe in God & believe His sent men, we will prosper!**

**Therefore today, I receive & honour the ministry of my man of God!**

I am planted in Gateway International Church!  
Prayer works for me!  
Impartation works for me!  
Prophecies are fulfilled in my life!  
I agree with God & my man of God, that 2020  
is my covenant year of TAKEOVER!

**By covenant;**

I subdue cities & nations!  
I own businesses, lands & houses!  
I step out of obscurity!  
I recover lost years!  
I record speedy achievements!  
I traffic in financial abundance!  
I am mightily blessed!  
I cannot fail; I cannot be defeated!  
There shall be no loss nor evil report in my life!  
I am the evidence of El-Shaddai!

**Jesus Exceeds Expectations!**



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# ▶ **MONTHLY PROPHETIC DECLARATION**

**TAKEOVER WORD: I LOVE GOD; I LOVE LIFE; I LOVE PEOPLE; MY LIGHT WILL NEVER GROW DIM!**

**TEXT: PRO 4:18-19**

## **PROPHETIC DECLARATIONS**

- This is the month of renewed hope! Lift up your eyes! Shake off the spirit of heaviness! More will happen this month than in the last 10 months! Brace up for catch up breakthroughs! It is done!
- This is what I saw: A flurry of activities! Men in haste & being hurried! They seem to be behind schedule! I perceive that angels are being quickened to deliver all of 2020 before the year is done!”
- “I will give you rest”, says the Lord. “Your long term battles will end this month! I will undo all that afflict you! Evil will no more visit your habitation! Your lost years shall be compensated!”
- Hear God; “You are my city on a hill! You cannot be covered! I have lighted you to light up your generation! Live my life! Live for me! Let men see my image & likeness in you! This is your calling!”
- “Make your all about me! Make it about my kingdom & I will sponsor your destiny! I will give you a platform for glory! There will be no dimness on your path! I am the way! I will make your way!”
- “My love is unfailing! My hands are open! I gave my life for all men!” says the Lord! “Proclaim mercy! Bring the unworthy to me! Love them like I've loved you & I will turn them into treasures of grace!”



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# **▶ MONTHLY PROPHETIC DECLARATION**

- He said to me: “Give! Give sacrificially! Give in this inconvenient season! The liberal soul shall be made fat! Trust me to bring in your harvest! It will be a quick reward! It will exceed your expectation!”
- One key to exceptional testimonies this month will be honour! Honour your spiritual covering! Your parents! Your spouse! Your boss, etc. He said: “I will command honour on you by what you honour!”
- “Two are better than one! Be in the community of saints! Pray in communion with others! Never walk alone in this season! The fullness you seek is in the fellowship of my body”, says the Lord!

Jesus Exceeds Expectations!

# EXPRESSING YOUR LOVE FOR GOD

KEY  
TEXT

*Mat. 22:36-37, "Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

Love for God is an active love that involves full participation.

**T**here are times in life when mere talk doesn't cut it. At those times, one has to step up and prove that what they say is really true. One key area of life where action speaks louder than words is in your love for God. Love for God is an active love that involves full participation. If you love Him, don't bottle it up; show it and let the whole world know that You love Him!

## THE UNDENIABLE EFFECTS OF GENUINE LOVE FOR GOD—

- You make the love of God the key feature of your life —(**Ps. 73:25**).
- You become passionate about God—(**Mrk. 12:30**).
- You begin to give yourself to others—(**Mrk. 12:31**).



PRAYER

*Father, thank You for loving me with an everlasting love. I declare that I love You. I receive Your grace to show to my world that I love You.*



ACTION  
POINT

What can you do to prove your love for God this week?



DAILY BIBLE  
READING

Meditation



# MEN OF WISDOM (1)

KEY  
TEXT

Prov. 13:20, "He who walks with wise men will be wise,  
but the companion of fools will be destroyed."



POWER  
THOUGHT

Your company will determine, to a large extent, what accompanies you.

**N**o man can make it all alone in life; we all need each other to succeed. Help comes from God but God channels help through people. Those you associate with in life matters a lot. The people who influence your decisions and actions determine at least 60-70% of your success or failure. If you follow the wise, you'll become wiser. The one who chooses to be a companion of fools shall not only become foolish but shall be utterly destroyed.

While giving a speech in defence of the apostles, Gamaliel made a sad illustration about a man called Thaddeus. He rose up and made himself a self-acclaimed leader; having about four hundred men who followed him. When he was destroyed, they all went down with him (Acts 5: 36-37). Those men did not realise it wasn't a wise companionship. "If you become wise, you will be the one to benefit. If you scorn wisdom, you will be the one to suffer" (Pro. 9:12). Some people are anointed by hell to lead others astray. The Bible says in Ps. 14:1 "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good." Do not keep association with people who do not fear God. Do not be close to anyone who is not serious about God; they will ensure you deviate from the faith. 1 Cor. 15:33 advises that, "Bad company corrupts good character."

Don't say it does not matter because it does! Your company will determine, to a large extent, what accompanies you. Who are you keeping company with?



PRAYER

By the precious Blood of Jesus, I rebuke the power of negative influences over my life and I cast them away. I declare, that my destiny shall never be destroyed. It is well with my future in the name of Jesus.



ACTION  
POINT

Carry out an inventory of the people who influence you, disconnect from the negative ones now!



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Acts 1 - 4



# MEN OF WISDOM (2)

KEY  
TEXT

Prov. 1:5, "A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels"



POWER  
THOUGHT

The company of the wise is indeed a cover for the foolish.

**T**he wisdom of the wise rubs off on their associates. Even the ignorant can become great through hanging around wise people. The company of the wise is indeed a cover for the foolish. David had men like that who pledged their loyalty to walk with him; men who had greatness residing in them, but didn't know which direction to go in life. Through the wisdom and perseverance of David, these men were able to attain prominence. What was latent in them began to grow; before long, their greatness began to manifest. David called them his mighty men. Take note, there are people who can bring out the best in your life but you need to make conscious efforts to get connected to them.

Today, make deliberate effort to withdraw yourself from every evil and corrupt company. These people may not even realise that they are agents in the hands of Satan, but the truth is that you owe it to yourself and to your future to put a stop to all corrupt alliances. No single person is worth the sacrifice of your future. Scout around your church, home, school and workplace for God-fearing sages. Begin to rub minds with them. Jesus did it. Lk. 2:46-47 says "And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers".

Rehoboam lost his dynasty because he followed wrong counsel. Ruth got her place in destiny because she followed wise counsel. By no means underestimate the influence of wise and foolish people in your life!



PRAYER

Father, help me to get connected to those who are wise and to those who will be to me, a source of blessing and divine inspiration, in the name of Jesus.



ACTION  
POINT

Have you totally disconnected from those negative influences in your life? Ensure that you disconnect yourself today.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING

Acts 5 - 8



# THE COVENANT— THE ULTIMATE GAME CHANGER!

KEY  
TEXT

*Isa. 44:24a & 26a, "Thus saith the Lord, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb,  
I am the Lord that maketh all things; ...That confirmeth the word of his servant,  
and performeth the counsel of his messengers; ..."*



## COVENANT DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYERS

**W**hen a man enters into covenant with God, he experiences an automatic change in his life; a shift in the spirit realm, tangible proofs of the supernatural, favour all-round and influx of destiny helpers. Nothing changes and remains the same. Spiritual change always produces physical and material proofs! It is time for you to manifest the proofs of the covenant.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. **Ps. 106:1** — Father, I thank You for Your grace so far this year! This year is still my covenant year of takeover and the manifestation of greatness. I am taking over.
2. **Ezek. 12:25** — Thank You Father because the mystery behind delay and denial in my life and family is broken! This year of Israel will not elude me, my family, business, career, marriage, finances, in Jesus' name.
3. Today, I command the spiritual gates to my breakthrough to open and give me access to my destiny portion. I will experience amazing breakthroughs and wonders, in Jesus' name.
4. Today, I call in my Jonathans, my Ruths, my Aarons and Hurs; I call forth my destiny helpers. Any man or woman assigned by God to help me, appears now!
5. **Gal. 6:17** — Today, I break every force of evil working hard to frustrate my dreams and destinies. I rebuke the hold of ancestral iniquity, yokes and curses.
6. Lord Jesus, by Your power, end whatever mocks my family. Our lives will continually bring praise to You! Our story changes from glory to glory. We won't die small!
7. Father, release Your wind of salvation upon the ends of the entire globe. Let men be convicted by Your Spirit massively. May the kingdom of hell be depopulated now!
8. **Acts 2:1-5** — Oh Spirit of the Living God, come with Your mighty power and begin a new thing in Your Church. Baptize us afresh and use us for Your glory in this generation and those to come.
9. Father, thank You for my Pastor, George Izunwa. Let the oil of God upon his life and ministry continually flow. Take him higher, increase on every side, in Jesus' name.
10. Oh God, bless this nation. Reawaken our consciousness to the great wealth and natural resources You have endowed us with. Make this land prosperous, in Jesus' name.



# OPEN UP TO LOVE AGAIN

KEY  
TEXT

*Ps. 120:1-2, "In my distress I cried to the lord, and he heard me. Deliver my soul,  
O Lord, from lying lips and from a deceitful tongue."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

When you close your heart, you ultimately close your destiny...

**G**od wants to speak to the brokenhearted today. Those who have been traumatized one way or the other, either by betrayal, rejection or neglect. It's normal to encounter one form of pain or disappointment but it is a choice to either hold on or to let it go. Undoubtedly, many are hurting because of what others did to them, or what they unknowingly permitted into our lives. Whatever the case is, it is not the end of life.

Beloved, life's issues should be taken as lessons; you take the lesson and throw the pain into the garbage and move on. You shouldn't give up on your dreams of a successful relationship and a happy life because of what someone did to you. Don't carry the pain along; it will weigh you down. It will be dangerous to put your life on pause and convince yourself that true love does not exist because someone broke your heart. When you close your heart, you ultimately close your destiny and the door to the string of opportunities God has laid in store for you for an excellent future.

You can't claim to love God without loving people. It's impossible! In Jn. 13:34-35, Jesus said "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another..." You are meant to love everyone unconditionally and put your trust only in God. Whatever the pain or hurt, Jesus can take it all away. You can experience love again. Open up your heart, let go of the past and just let it flow.



**PRAYER**

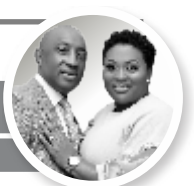
*By faith this day, I receive a forgiving heart; a heart that is surrendered totally to the will of God; a heart that loves and despises no man, in Jesus' name.*



Sow the seed of love into someone's life today. You will reap it!



Acts 13 - 16



# A CHEERFUL HEART

KEY  
TEXT

Pro. 17:22, "A merry heart does good, like medicine, but a broken spirit dries the bones."



POWER  
THOUGHT

Life is hard enough without having a sense of humor.

**T**he book of Proverbs reminds us of how God wants us to live. These Proverbs teach us that God has designed us to function better when we are cheerful. Pro. 15:13 teaches us that joyful hope in the heart puts a smile on the face... "A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken."

To be joyful is to be glad, merry or cheerful. Inner feelings, whether from joy or sadness, will come to exterior expression. When you're happy on the inside, your face can't help but show it on the outside. You just have to lighten up! A truly cheerful countenance spreads a contagion of hope and joy to others. Whether you realize it or not, the Church is (we are) on a mission to bring joy and to share the joy of Jesus Christ with others. And you cannot achieve that being grumpy and unexcited all the time. We can begin by thanking the Lord for being with us and working for our good in every situation (Rom. 8:28). A daily walk with God can produce a merry heart if you focus on His blessings. It's not a matter of pretending but of practicing an outlook on life that reflects your faith in Christ.

Learn to brighten up despite your situation. You'll live longer, laugh more, be happier, and you'll be more enjoyable to be around. No one enjoys being around a grouch. Life is hard enough without having a sense of humor. Never take life too seriously; you'll never get out of it alive.



PRAYER

Oh God, thank You for making my life a wellspring of unspeakable joy! My circumstances will not steal my joy! I rise above every negative situation and take charge of my emotions today, in Jesus' name.



ACTION  
POINT

Think of the things God has done for you and stay thankful.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Acts 17 - 20



# YOU ARE SPECIAL

KEY  
TEXT

Gen. 18:14 (ESV), "Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."



POWER  
THOUGHT

Christ in you is the hope of glory.

**H**as anyone ever said to you before, "Why are you so lucky?" or "There is so much bad news these days, yet you seem untroubled by them." Now, the people of the world don't have spiritual discernment. In other words, if they notice something different about you, it is because they see the evidence of God's glory on your life.

Indeed, Christ in you is the hope of glory (**Col. 1:27**). When God's glory rises upon you, you automatically come under the spotlight. You don't have to be a straight-A student or someone able to speak the Queen's English. You may be foul-mouthed like the disciple Peter, but when God changes you and His glory rises upon you, when you stand up to preach, 3,000 people get saved (**Acts 2:14-41**)! What is important is that God gives weight to what you say. You might be a nobody like Joseph, a slave cast aside and forgotten in a dungeon. Yet, the greatest king on earth at that time sought Joseph out to have him interpret his dreams. In other words, God will give to you answers that the people of the world do not have. Maybe it is your hands. When you lay hands on the sick, they recover. It could be your ability to give wise counsel, or speak into their future with a word of knowledge or wisdom from God.

*"The Gentiles shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising" (Isa. 60:3).* The glory of the Lord has risen upon you and the people of the world will be drawn to you.



PRAYER

Oh Lord, thank You for Your manifest glory upon my life. I am chosen to show forth the goodness of God; my light will shine brighter as the days go by, in Jesus' name.



Remember that you are special.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Acts 21 - 24



# KEEP GROWING

KEY  
TEXT

*Ps. 139:14, "I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

A healthy sense of self love is a breeding ground for life relationships.

**T**he greatest commandment passage has within it the most posing challenge for every believer—the lesson of learning to love ourselves. A healthy sense of self love is a breeding ground for life relationships. If you don't love yourself and accept yourself, then there's little hope that you will love and trust your Creator – let alone be able to unconditionally love and accept anyone else.

## HOW TO GAIN A PROPER SELF-IMAGE—

- Realize that you are special—(**Ps. 139:14**).
- Reignite a personal relationship with the Holy Spirit—(**Matt. 10:31**).
- Refrain from comparisons—(**2 Cor. 10:12**).
- Remember that God is still working in you—(**Rom. 8:29**).



PRAYER

*Father, thank You for specially crafting me in Your image and likeness. I reject every attack on my self-esteem . I receive grace this week to love myself and love others, in Jesus' name.*



Talk yourself up all through this week.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Meditation



# YOU ARE WHO YOU HANG AROUND

KEY  
TEXT

Prov. 13:20 *"He that walketh with wise men shall be Wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

Compromise never works; it always burns!

**T**he term 'company' can be likened to an association — a group of people who are working together to achieve a particular purpose. An association, for you, talks about the people you communicate with on a day-to-day basis; people that influence your life in one way or the other. Jim Rohn, rightly said, "You become like the five people you spend the most time with..."

In life, there are positive and negative associates. As much as you may want to doubt it, the company you keep does have an impact and influence on your life. Thus, you have a choice to make. Make it a personal resolution to stay detached from ungodly cliques. **Ps. 1:1** clearly states, *"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful."* This implies that the blessing may not manifest if you keep company with the corrupt.

The effects of being in the company of corrupt people are quite numerous and worse still, unnoticeable. They are usually veered towards the negative and tend to breed pride in you. Such company exposes you to unhealthy competition that makes you vulnerable to devilish pressure. Ahitophel used to be a very good counsellor to David. His counsel was like the voice of God! But he got corrupted by bitterness because of bad company (**2 Sam. 15:12**). Compromise never works; it always burns! Quit rationalizing your bad associations and cut them off before you destroy your life. Always remember that, *"... bad company corrupts good morals"* (**1 Cor. 15:33**).



PRAYER

Today, I rebuke ungodly pressure. By virtue of Your righteousness, I repel evil company out of my life; I receive wisdom as I walk with the wise, in Jesus' name.



ACTION  
POINT

Review your relationships.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING

Acts 25 - 28



# DO YOU HAVE THE HEART?

KEY  
TEXT

Lk. 6:43-45, "For a good tree does not bear bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks."



POWER  
THOUGHT

To improve the fruit, you must improve the tree.

**O**ur Lord Jesus comes to the matter of the heart in the closing part of His famous sermon. He focuses our attention on the necessity of a good heart. What does He mean by 'heart' in this context? Obviously, He did not mean the physical organ that pumps the blood through your body. Rather, He referred to that inner you, the center of you as an intelligent, volitional, and emotional being. It is eternally important that the inner you be filled and overflowing with goodness.

Jesus turns to nature for an example of this law of the heart. "For a good tree does not bear bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit." The law of nature is that the nature of the tree will determine the fruit it bears. Jesus stated it emphatically that, "a good tree does not bear bad fruit." Man is like the tree. The condition of your heart determines your conduct. Just as the nature of the tree is so critical to its fruit, so the nature of the human heart is critical to conduct. We often blame our conduct on our circumstances. While circumstances can definitely influence conduct, our conduct is ultimately determined by the heart.

If conduct reveals a bad heart, a change of heart is the only remedy. It would be foolish to focus your attention on the bad fruit from the tree. To improve the fruit you must improve the tree. To get different conduct from your life, you must have a different heart. May the greatest heart Specialist change your heart today!



PRAYER

Lord Jesus, change my heart! Make it ever new. Strengthen me beyond my natural capabilities and tendencies, in Jesus' name.



What can you change about you today, to improve the condition of your heart?

DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Rom. 1 - 4



# DETHRONING THE CONTENDER

KEY  
TEXT

*Ps. 35:1, "Plead my cause, O Lord, with those who strive with me;  
Fight against those who fight against me."*



## COVENANT DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYERS

**F**rom the time of the fall of man, there has been a contention between God and satan on who will take the place of supremacy in man's heart. The throne of your heart is for God alone. Everything struggling to be greater than God in your life must be dethroned today!

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. My Lord and Saviour, I thank You for Your word of enlightenment today. I am free from every shackles from hell. I enthrone You in my heart as the Lord of all. Take Your rightful place.
2. 2 Cor. 10:5— Oh God, by Your fire, I come against every contender for Your place in my heart. I bring down every idol— thoughts, words, etc— that exalts itself against You.
3. Col. 3:5-6 — By Your mercy today, I escape every trap that wants to bring me into judgement. Every sin that has found a home in me, be displaced now! I am delivered from evil, in Jesus name.
4. Today, let there be a turnaround for every verdict of death and evil, negative harvest that is at work in my life, family and business. The Blood is against you!
5. Ps. 37:23— I declare that my steps are ordered of the Lord! I will not get entangled with anything or anyone that takes God's place in my heart, in Jesus' name.
6. Ps. 125:3— I speak good concerning my family— both paternal and maternal. We shall never suffer under the rule of the rod of wickedness. We won't die small!
7. Father, release Your wind of salvation upon the ends of the entire globe. Let men be convicted by Your Spirit massively. May the kingdom of hell be depopulated now!
8. Acts 2:1-5— Oh Spirit of the Living God, come with Your mighty power and begin a new thing in Your Church. Baptize us afresh and use us for Your glory in this generation and those to come.
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10. Oh God, bless this nation. Reawaken our consciousness to the great wealth and natural resources You have endowed us with. Make this land prosperous!



## GENEROUS GIVING BENEFITS YOU

KEY  
TEXT

Pro. 18:16 (NIV), "A gift opens the way and ushers the giver into the presence of the great."



POWER  
THOUGHT

When you are worried about what you will have to give up, think about what God wants you to gain.

**Y**ou remember the story where Jesus takes a little boy's lunch of five loaves of bread and two fish and turns it into enough food for more than 5,000 people. But did you ever wonder what Jesus would have done if he didn't have five loaves and two fish? What if he'd only had one fish and two loaves of bread? It wouldn't have made a difference; it would have been the same outcome. He could have done the same miraculous work with a bread crumb and a fish fin. The amount we give matters far less than the spirit with which we give.

That's the principle at work when we talk about generosity. In the same way Jesus took what the boy had and increased it, God multiplies your giving when you offer it in surrender and faith. It has nothing to do with how much money you bring, but that you are willing to place it all in the hands of Jesus. Most of us mistakenly think generosity is something God wants from us, but according to Paul, it is something He wants for us. *"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way"* (2 Cor. 9:10-11 ESV). When you are worried about what you will have to give up, think about what God wants you to gain.

God is not short on money; the giving by His people is the means by which He pursues His mission on earth and releases His abundance. Be generous with not just your finances but with every resource God has blessed you with!



PRAYER

Today, I come against the spirit of selfishness, greed and stinginess by the Blood of Jesus Christ! My God-given resources will impact the kingdom of God in Jesus' name.



ACTION  
POINT

Give out something today.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING

Rom 9 - 12





# LET HIM HAVE YOUR HEART

KEY  
TEXT

1 Ki. 4:29, "And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea shore."



POWER  
THOUGHT

Wrong desires lead to wrong action.

**T**he Kingdom of God is the rule and reign of God in the heart of His people. God wants your heart. He doesn't just wish to rule over the fallen angels. He desires to direct your life by ruling over your heart. And why does God want your heart? Why does He want you to freely give your heart away to Him? When your heart is separated and not surrendered to God, it can cause pain and suffering in your life and in the lives of others; check out what **Matt. 15:19** says, "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies."

Giving God your heart means a lot of things but first and foremost, it means giving Him your desires in life. If we are not careful, our desires will destroy us. You may be wondering and asking, "How can our desires be harmful to us and to others?" Truth is, wrong desires lead to wrong action. David's desire for Bathsheba destroyed Uriah's life and the life of Bathsheba and David's first son. It left David scarred for the rest of his life (**2 Sam. 11:1-24**). At some point or the other, negative thoughts and evil desires would spring up in your mind that shouldn't be ignored.

It is possible in the power of the Holy Spirit to have your desires and habits changed if you give your heart to Jesus. It may be that you have very little else to give to the Lord - but you can give Him your heart. If you will do this He will exchange it, empower it, establish it and enrich it.



PRAYER

Father, thank You for Your word of light. I give You my heart Holy Spirit; have Your way in me, in the mighty name of Jesus.



Ask the Holy Spirit to come into your heart once again.



Rom 13 - 16



# EXTEND GOD'S BLESSING ON YOUR LIFE

KEY  
TEXT

Jude 22, "And of some have compassion, making a difference:"



POWER  
THOUGHT

The first law of blessing— it must flow outwardly.

**G**od's Word makes it crystal clear that you are blessed. But you have not been blessed for yourself alone. Neither have you been blessed to just feel good. You are blessed to bless others. God told Abraham in **Gen. 12:2 (NIV)**, "I will bless you ... and you will be a blessing". This scripture clearly states the first law of the blessing—it must flow outwardly.

There is nothing that God will not do for the person who really wants to help other people. When you consciously become a blessing to others, God remembers you and takes care of your needs. His Word promises that if you will concentrate on blessing others, life for you will become a walkover. God guarantees His blessing to those sold-out to His cause. In **Lk. 18**, Jesus says, "I guarantee this. Anyone who gives up anything for the kingdom of God will certainly receive many times more in this life ..." You make a whole lot of difference when your style of Christianity is people-driven and saturated in compassion. This is what Jude tells us, "And of some have compassion, making a difference:"

**P**hil. 1:4 (MSG) says, "Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand". When you care about helping other people, God assumes responsibility for your problems. And that's a real blessing because God is far better at handling your difficulties than you are. How do you bless others? Serve a need— whether physical, emotional, or financial; put a smile on someone's face. Become God's extended arm of help to everyone around you. More grace!



PRAYER

Father, open my eyes and heart to the needs of people around me. I rebuke self-centredness out of my life in Jesus Name.



ACTION  
POINT

Intentionally, be a blessing to someone today.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

1 Cor. 1 - 4



# HELP OTHERS

KEY  
TEXT

*ACTS 20:35, "I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

The smallest act of help can make a big difference.

One of the greatest characteristics that should embody the Christian life is the act of helping others. Jesus' entire life exemplified this act when He laid down his life to give all of mankind a hope and future. The smallest act of help can make a big difference. You serve God when you help and serve others. Today, receive grace to live a selfless life.

## WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU HELP OTHERS?

- Helping others creates a channel for evangelism and soul-winning—(**Pro. 11:30**).
- Helping others promotes gratitude in your life —(**2 Cor. 2:14**).
- Helping others promotes a bond of oneness —(**Acts 4:32**).



PRAYER

*Father, I thank You for blessing me and positioning me to be a channel of blessing to others. This week, may your goodness flow through me to everyone. Use me as Your channel to touch my world, in Jesus' name.*



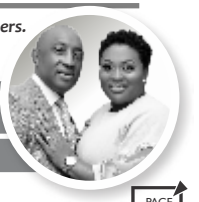
ACTION  
POINT

Be on the lookout for avenues to be of help to someone.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING

Meditation



## EXPRESS YOUR GRATITUDE

KEY  
TEXT

Lk. 17:17-19, "Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner? And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."



POWER  
THOUGHT

Gratitude unexpressed is ingratitude.

**G**ratITUDE is very important. Luke has given us a story from the life of Jesus that helps us reflect on the importance of being thankful for God's goodness. This story shows the rarity of a thankful spirit. Jesus healed ten (10) lepers and out of them only one had taken the time to thank the person who had made his recovery possible. How often do you hear people express sincere gratitude? Try an experiment. Keep track of the number of complaints you hear each day, and compare that with the number of times you hear people express sincere words of gratitude. You will be amazed at your findings.

Gratitude unexpressed is ingratitude. Most believers limit their expression of gratitude to certain things such as receiving a big miracle. God doesn't want you to thank Him for just special events; He is honoured when we thank Him for His faithfulness to do the most little things such as providing for your daily needs. He also expects you to praise when it seems like everything around you is taking a nose dive. Your ability to express gratitude in troubling times shows that you trust God.

Become like David who, in the midst of a great time of distress, was able to believe, trust God and praise him even without receiving his deliverance. **Ps. 59:9-10**, "Because of his strength will I wait upon thee: for God is my defence." Show your gratitude by testifying of God's goodness in your life, and by the sacrifices of worship to God. Never stop expressing gratitude.



PRAYER

Father, I am grateful and thankful for the things You have done for me. Thank You for keeping me and all that concerns me in perfect peace.



ACTION  
POINT

What specific things are you grateful for today?



DAILY BIBLE  
READING

1 Cor. 5 - 8



# ONE THING IS NEEDFUL

KEY  
TEXT

Col. 3:2, "Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth."



POWER  
THOUGHT

To seek the kingdom of God is to intentionally focus on and fully experience relationship with God.

Jesus was preaching on a topic popularly called the Sermon on the Mount. He taught that people should not be thinking of what to eat, what to drink and what to put on; that God already knows you have need of these things. He recommended that only one thing is needful and that is to seek first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all other things will be added to you.

People are getting desperate because they want to eat, dress up, build houses and pay bills. Almost everything around us these days mounts pressure on us to get bothered in the first place. But just one thing is needful. A wise person therefore will desire to seek that singular thing Jesus is talking about. He said if you can get that, every other thing will be added. You won't have to struggle. The Bible says it is going to be added according as His divine power has given unto us all things that pertain to life and godliness (**2 Pet. 1:3**). To seek the kingdom of God is to intentionally focus on and fully experience relationship with God; building a lifestyle that portrays the Christian culture and statutes. When you can get this right, you will find out that everything you need will be provided.

Don't become unduly anxious over what to eat, drink or wear. You don't need to struggle for them because they will gravitate towards you. Jesus will ensure they move towards your direction. Your glory shall be noised abroad.



PRAYER

Father, thank You for the privilege to be a part of Your kingdom. I thank You for giving me everything that pertains to life and godliness.



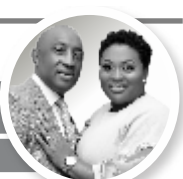
ACTION  
POINT

In what ways can you become a kingdom-oriented believer?



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

1 Cor. 9 - 12



# PEACE

KEY  
TEXT

2 Pet. 1:2, "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God,  
and of Jesus our Lord,"



## COVENANT DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYERS

In these times, the most necessary virtue for every believer is peace. Everyone and everything is on a 'rat race', struggles here and there; but if the peace of God is with you, it will ensure you arrive your destination in calmness and on time. Let that peace be your portion today!

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. Isa. 9:6 — Lord Jesus, thank You for being my Prince of Peace. In You, there is peace. By Your power, I can enforce peace!
2. Rom. 5:1 — Lord Jesus, thank You for peace in every aspect of my life. I receive divine peace in my relationships, marriage, business, career and ministry.
3. Oh God, I come before you ready to pour out my worries, anxieties, and fears at Your feet. I am claiming and declaring Your promises for blessings of peace and strength over my life, in Jesus' name.
4. Jn. 10:10 — Today, I come against every power of hell that steals, kills and destroys my peace. No more turmoil, fracas or unnecessary drama in my life!
5. Jam. 1:5 — Father, give me wisdom on how to walk and talk divine strategic steps that will give me peace. I will not walk out of Your purpose for my life, in Jesus' name.
6. Oh God my Father, release your power today to turn the situation of my family around for good. Let the peace that surpasses all understanding be our portion today!
7. Father, release Your wind of salvation upon the ends of the entire globe. Let men be convicted by Your Spirit massively. May the kingdom of hell be depopulated now!
8. Acts 2:1-5 — Oh Spirit of the Living God, come with Your mighty power and begin a new thing in Your Church. Baptize us afresh and use us for Your glory in this generation and those to come.
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# DIVINE INTERRUPTIONS

KEY  
TEXT

*Lke. 18:40-41, "So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when he had come near, He asked him, saying, "What do you want Me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, that I may receive my sight."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

God is a master planner and designer.

Experts agree that a staggering amount of time is consumed each day by interruptions. Whether at work or at home, a phone call or an unexpected visit can easily deflect us from what we feel is our main purpose. Not many of us like disruptions in our daily lives, especially when they cause inconvenience or a change of plans. But Jesus treated what appeared to be interruptions in a far different way.

Time after time in the Gospels, we see the Lord Jesus Christ stop what He is doing to help a person in need. While Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem where He would be crucified, a blind man begging by the side of the road called out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" (Lke. 18:35-38). Some in the crowd told him to be quiet, but he kept calling out to Jesus. Jesus stopped and asked the man, "What do you want me to do for you?" "Lord, I want to see," he replied. Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has healed you" (vs. 41-42). Interruptions can be opportunities to serve. When your plans are interrupted by someone who genuinely needs help, you can ask the Lord for wisdom on how to respond with compassion. What you call an interruption may be a divine appointment.

God is a Master Planner and Designer. He is always working behind the scene to ensure that His good thoughts and plans come to pass in your life. And so every interruption from Him is for your best interest.



PRAYER

*Lord Jesus, fill me with Your wisdom and compassion that I may respond as You did to people in need.*



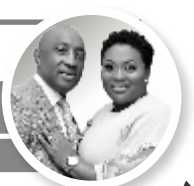
ACTION  
POINT

Be sensitive to certain interruptions; watch out for God's leading.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

2 Cor. 1 - 4





# OUR INHERITANCE

KEY  
TEXT

Jos. 15:63, "As for the Jebusites, the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the children of Judah could not drive them out; but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Judah at Jerusalem to this day."



POWER  
THOUGHT

The truly redeemed is a partaker of God's inheritance.

Inheritance means something important or valuable that passes to another person to own and enjoy after the original owner dies. It can be an item of property or title. It should be noted that taking full possession of our inheritance is crucial.

From the text, the boundaries and division of the Promised Land were very specific for each of the tribes of Israel. The tribe of Judah was able to take possession of the cities that were in the mountains and those in the wilderness. But Jerusalem was said to have continued in the hands of the Jebusites; the children of Judah could not drive them out because of their sluggishness and unbelief. Had they attempted it with vigour and resolution, God would surely have given them success. The Lord expected the children of Israel to have confronted their challenges in full obedience to His command. In like manner, believers are not to be satisfied with anything less than the perfect will and portion of God for their lives. In the battles of life, victory and solution to challenges often lie in acting prayerfully with faith in God and not in beating a hasty retreat in the face of challenges.

The truly redeemed is a partaker of God's inheritance. If you desire to live the deeper and richer life of righteousness and holiness, you have to fight the good fight of faith and continually put your flesh under subjection so you can obtain "an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for [us]" (1 Pet. 1:4).



PRAYER

Oh God, thank You for the inheritance I have in You through Your Son Jesus Christ. Today, I lay hold of every blessing that is due me; my covenant portion will not be withheld from me, in Jesus' name.



Declare your inheritance.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

2 Cor. 5 - 8





## THE BEST DECISION I HAVE EVER MADE!

KEY  
TEXT

*Lke. 19:8-9, "Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold. And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham;"*



POWER  
THOUGHT

Decisions, whether good or bad, can affect you for a lifetime.

**L**ife can be seen as a journey and a series of events; life is also about decisions. As long as you are alive, there will be the constant need to make a decision in your life. And most importantly, you cannot sit on the sidelines; not making a decision, is to make one.

When you take statistics of the best decision many people have ever taken, you might probably hear many responses like; the best decision they've ever made was the day they decided to get married, took that financial decision which led to their breakthrough, the day they relocated or the day they secured a better job. Some will tell you the day they gained admission into the university etc. These are great responses. In the sight of God the greatest decision a man can ever make in life is the decision to make the Lord Jesus his or her Saviour and Lord. This decision makes heaven to rejoice. When Zacchaeus made this pivotal decision of his eternal destination, Jesus rejoiced.

Decisions, whether good or bad, can affect you for a lifetime. In the Song "Cold Hard Truth" the singer George Jones said, "I am living and dying with the choices I made". You need to understand that when you make a choice, you are choosing to live with that choice for the rest of your life even till eternity. Falling in love with Jesus would be the best decision you'll ever make; one that comes with a 1000% guarantee of no regrets. What would you say was your best decision ever in life?



PRAYER

*If Jesus isn't yet your Lord & Saviour, accept Him now; pray using the prayer of salvation at the end of this booklet.*



ACTION  
POINT

*If Jesus isn't yet your Lord & Saviour, accept Him now; pray using the prayer of salvation at the end of this booklet.*



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

2 Cor. 9 - 13



# I LOVE MY CHURCH

KEY  
TEXT

*Jn. 13:34-35, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

Loving your Church is a conscious decision.

There's more to loving the Church than showing up on an occasional Sunday morning, smiling, and singing. God wants you to love the Church. Loving your Church is a conscious decision because it's not only a place to discover a real relationship with God, it's also a place to make friends and find others to live life with.

## HOW CAN YOU LOVE THE CHURCH? —

- Love by connecting—(**Eph. 4:16**).
- Love by giving—(**1 Jn. 3:16-18**).
- Love by sharing—(**Heb. 13:16**).



PRAYER

*Lord Jesus, thank You for making me a part of Your body. I receive grace today to tell and show the world how much I love You and Your Church!*



This week, connect, share and give.



Meditation



# YOU NEED NOT BE PERFECT

KEY  
TEXT

2 Cor. 12:9, "And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."



POWER  
THOUGHT

God knows you, way more than you would ever know yourself.

**L**ife can get really distasteful sometimes. We've all been in situations where we've been really hurt, or felt betrayed. Or times where we feel like God left us, or we just can't feel Him. Sometimes we have mixed thoughts and feelings. Some of us even feel stuck as we think we have to say only the things we think God wants to hear. Truth is, God doesn't expect you to be perfect.

He knows the state of your heart, and very well understands what we are going through every time. So He expects us to be honest with Him through hard times, honestly telling Him how we feel. John Piper says "God is most glorified in us when are most satisfied in Him." His Word clearly tells us that, "... His strength is made perfect in our weakness..." (2 Cor. 12:9). We'll take the practical example of Job, who through his trials bore out his heart to God. And at the end, he was the one God instructed to pray for his friends. Another good example was the account of Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane. He expressed His true feelings, and cried/prayed His heart out to God, and it was recorded that His sweat was as thick as blood. "And being in agony He was praying very fervently; and His sweat became like drops of blood ..." (Lke. 22:44 NASB). And because of this, He was strengthened for the journey He was about embarking on.

God knows you, way more than you would ever know yourself. So express whatever it is you are feeling to Him, and open yourself up to His peace today.



PRAYER

Oh God, thank You for uniquely creating a masterpiece in me. I am exceptional and outstanding. You know my deepest needs; Lord, according to Your will, may my expectations not be cut short, in Jesus name.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Tell God about your most heartfelt desires/concerns/worries.

Gal. 1 - 3



## DON'T REMOVE GOD FROM THE EQUATION

KEY  
TEXT

*Lke. 12:18-19, "So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

Victory in life is not about you.

**F**or this man in our text, everything was about himself — his effort, expertise, connection, pedigree and history. And so God allowed him. But listen to what God said in verse 20: *"But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?" (Lke. 12:20 KJV)*

In other words, it is foolishness not to recognize, honour, reverence and worship God. It is foolishness not to give God the prime place in your life. When there are storms all over the place, it is foolishness to think your connections will be enough to see you through. It is foolishness to think it is your pedigree or your family background that will give you victory. The Word of God declares that, *"... for by strength shall no man prevail" (1 Sam. 2:9 KJV)* There are many people today that are depending on the things they have. You hear them make comments like, "I drive good cars, I have a good house; I've got a fat bank account. I have a good marriage. I am secured. I have children. What else will I need?" What a deception!

God's word clearly says that, *"Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain" (Ps. 127:1 KJV)* Beloved, don't lay a wrong foundation for your life. Victory in life is not about you. Ultimately, victory proceeds from God. Accrue every accolade to Him. Never make it about you.



PRAYER

*Father, I ask for Your mercy in every way that I have made anything about my life about me. I vow to give You the glory at all times; nothing and no one will take Your place in my life.*



ACTION  
POINT

Vow to make your life about God.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING

Gal. 4-6



# SELECTED FOR BLESSING

KEY  
TEXT

1 Pet. 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:"



## COVENANT DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYERS

**T**o select means to carefully choose as the best or most suitable. As we become sons of God, we are automatically empowered to be candidates for the blessing. Thus, any circumstance or situation speaking contrary is out of order, and must not be allowed to stand.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. **Lev. 26:42**— Covenant keeping God, there is no one like You. Thank You for the blessing. You are the God of favour, the God of grace and the Father of light.
2. Thank You for choosing to show me mercy. By the blood of Jesus, I take my rightful place in You. Lord, wash me clean from every sin and blot out the consequences of my actions.
3. **Gal. 3:13**— I declare that I am not cursed. I am not a candidate for sorrow, pain, shame and demonic oppression. I am a beneficiary of the divine covenants.
4. Today, I rebuke every power of hell at work in my life. In my finances, family, ministry, workplace/school and business, the devil cannot keep me down!
5. **Job 22:28**— Today, I declare that I am going forward and I am growing greater. I call forth favour, multiple testimonies, breakthrough and increase on every side. I won't die small!
6. **Ps. 125:3**— I speak good concerning my family—both paternal and maternal. We shall never suffer under the rule of the rod of wickedness. We won't die small!
7. Father, release Your wind of salvation upon the ends of the entire globe. Let men be convicted by Your Spirit massively. May the kingdom of hell be depopulated now!
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# BE THE BEST VERSION OF YOU

KEY  
TEXT

Eccl. 9:10, "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might; for there is no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave where you are going."



POWER  
THOUGHT

What God offers you in Jesus Christ is greater than anything He offered Abraham.

“Being the best you can be” is a statement that is common to a large number of people today. For years, it has been the slogan used by the army in its recruiting. Basically, this recruiting ad challenges people to consider becoming the person they have the potential to be. God's specific challenge for every person is to become the full person he or she is capable of being by developing a life in Jesus Christ. Nothing can develop you as a person as living in Christ. A life grounded in Jesus Christ will develop you spiritually, mentally, emotionally and physically.

But there is an issue. The majority of people do not believe that God provides them the opportunity to “be all that they can be”. Many people are convinced that God prevents a person from being all that he/she can be. This is completely false! God offered Abraham a covenant. He entered the covenant with God and accepted the promises and the responsibilities. He did that in spite of the fact that it would require him to leave one of the most advanced, civilized cities in the world to be a nomad. He did that in spite of the fact that he had no child! In following and obeying God, Abraham put up his name to be registered in the Christianity great hall of fame (**Gen. 17:5**).

What God offers you in Jesus Christ is greater than anything He ever offered Abraham. You will never be that person that you are capable of being unless you let God remake you. Let Him make you the best version of yourself!



PRAYER

Oh God, my life is in Your Hands. Break me, mould me and make me who You have destined me to be, in Jesus' name.



ACTION  
POINT

Make up your mind to put in your best at all times.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Eph. 4 - 6



## PRUDENT AND RELIABLE STEWARDS

KEY  
TEXT

2 Cor. 9:6, "But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."



POWER  
THOUGHT

A water pipe that is in constant use never gets dry.

**M**oney is a power tool that can be used to do a lot of good. Or misused, it can do a lot of harm. God expects to not be wasters but to be prudent and good stewards of the resources He gives to us. But today, let's talk about what God says about giving money. Giving matters—it is one of the most important things you can do with your money. Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than receive." (**Acts 20:35**)

Few reasons giving matters—it is first of all an obligation to God. Give your tithe: That's ten percent of your gross income or profit. And give your offerings: These are special donations on top of our tithes. God never took away the requirement for tithing, because He always planned for His Kingdom work to be carried on through the tithes of His people. Everything you own really belongs to God and so it's pointless holding back what isn't yours. Your giving also matters, because it will bring a demonstration of God's blessing. God wants to help you and bless you, and He promises to bless in a special way when you give. **Lk. 6:38** says, "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom..."

When you give, you pave the way and create space to contain God's outpouring in your life. Cheerfully, generously, sacrificially and selflessly – that's how God wants you to give. Make yourself a channel today. A water pipe that is in constant use never gets dry.



PRAYER

Oh God, thank You for making me a channel of Your blessings to my world. I rebuke the spirit of stinginess; my blessing will not be withheld from me, in Jesus' name.



ACTION  
POINT

Give something to someone today.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Phil. 1 - 4





# BLESSINGS, NOT CURSES

KEY  
TEXT

Num. 23:20, "Behold, I have received commandment to bless:  
and he hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it."



POWER  
THOUGHT

If you are in Christ, you are the blessed of the Lord.

Let's talk about an interesting character in the Bible who actually tried to curse God's people—Balaam. He attempted severally but all his efforts proved futile. His story shows that witchcraft, divination, and curses simply have no impact on people who are walking with the Lord.

Balak, king of the Moabites, heard that Israel was approaching his territory. Balak feared that his kingdom would be defeated by Israel's army. **Verse 5 of Num. 22** states that Balak "...sent messengers therefore unto Balaam..." According to Scripture, Balaam was a diviner who operated with powers of divination (**Num. 22:7; 23:23**). The king was ready to pay whatever sum was required to coax Balaam to come and curse Israel. Balaam tried three times to speak a curse upon Israel, but he couldn't. In fact, every time Balaam opened his mouth to speak a curse, a blessing came out instead (**Num. 23:10-12**). Finally, after failing repeatedly to curse Israel, Balaam conceded that divination was no match for the power of God. It was at this point that he told Balak, "For there is no sorcery against Jacob, neither is there any divination against Israel..." (**Num. 23:23**). It was simply impossible for a curse to be pronounced where God had pronounced a blessing!

If you are in Christ and walking in obedience to God's Word, you are safe, secure, and sealed in the protective blood of Jesus. Cast off fear of the devil or fear of any curse. If you are in Christ, you are the blessed of the Lord—and what God has blessed, no one can curse!



PRAYER

I declare that I am the blessed of the Lord! Every negative projection or pronouncement against my destiny is cancelled by the power of the Holy Spirit!



Lift your right hand and say, "I cannot be cursed!"

DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Col. 1 - 4





# KNOWING THAT GOD LOVES YOU

KEY  
TEXT

*Ps. 103:11, "For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him."*



POWER  
THOUGHT

Love is not merely one of His attributes, but His very nature.

One of the most vivid characteristics of God is that He is a God of love. Love is not merely one of His attributes, but His very nature. To say that God is love, is not to imply that love is God. It implies that God wants the very best for you. God has your best interest in mind. He wants to give you good gifts and provide you with "all his benefits".

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT GOD'S LOVE—

- His love is all-consuming—(Ps. 139:1).
- His love is personal—(Rom. 8:38-39).
- His love is beyond comprehension—(Ps. 103:13-14).



PRAYER

*Father, thank You for Your steadfast love towards me. Thank You for everything You have done and are still doing in my life; may Your Spirit lead me into Your divine blessings for me this week, in Jesus' name.*



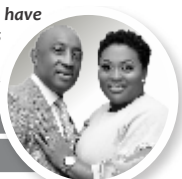
ACTION  
POINT

Remember that you are special and extend that gift of love to someone else.



DAILY BIBLE  
READING:

Meditation



# RESTORATION IS COMING YOUR WAY

KEY  
TEXT

Zech. 9:12, "Return to the stronghold, you prisoners of hope.  
Even today I declare that I will restore double to you."



POWER  
THOUGHT

God is the One who brings restoration.

**G**od wants to make your life better than what it is right now. That's the kind of Father He is. Whatever the enemy has tried to take away from you, God wants to restore it. One of the first things the enemy will try to steal from you is your joy. He wants to get you sad, sorrowful, and oppressed. Remember what it was like when you were first saved? There was joy unspeakable. God doesn't want us to lose that joy!

It is important for you to have joy in your life! If you don't have joy, you don't have any strength. **Neh. 8:10** tells us that, "*The joy of the Lord is your strength.*" Don't stay in that valley of despair and depression. Don't allow what people say to control you. You control your own destiny. Maybe everyone isn't going to be thrilled about you. But God is. You may have been through some trouble, but God is the One who brings restoration. **Isa. 61:7** says, "*For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.*" **The Amplified version** says, "... You shall have a twofold RECOMPENSE. . . ." God is saying, "You're working for Me. I'm going to give you worker's compensation. I'm going to give you double for your trouble."

God wants you to have that dream fulfilled. He wants you to have joy. He wants you to have health in your body. He is restoring you today!



PRAYER

Today, I declare the Word of the Lord over my life. I receive a double portion of all that I have lost in times past. I call forth restoration, in Jesus name.



Take a prophetic walk in your environment and command restoration.



1 Thess. 1 - 3





# Prayer Of *Salvation*

*Lord Jesus, I ask you to come into my life today and  
forgive all my sins. I confess with my mouth that  
You are the  
Lord of my life and I believe with my heart that You  
rose from the dead. I am saved! Thank You  
Father for saving me in the  
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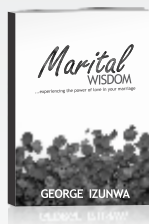
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