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QUIET TIME PROGRAMME

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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
Total	45Mins



CINTRODUCTION "And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out,

"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!

THE GATEWAY STRATEGY

- -ii- Receive the man of God with an open heart!
- -iii- Be regular and punctual in every church service!
 - Join a cell group & serve in a church department!
 - 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!

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

2022 OCOVENANT CONFESSION

(Lift your right hand and declare)

I am in covenant with The Almighty God!

My God is the "I AM!"

He is everything I will ever need Him to be!

Gateway International Church is my spiritual family!

2022 is my COVENANT YEAR OF SURE MERCIES!

Goodness & mercy follow me at all times!

Only good things are permitted in my life!

My covenant place is at the topmost top!

In Jn 1:12, the Bible declares, that those who receive Jesus Christ become the children of God!

Therefore, I confess that...

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is my Saviour & Lord!

He died for me & rose from the dead!

His ZOE is in me!

His DNA empowers me for greatness!

I love Him!

I believe in Him!

I will live for Him the rest of my life!

Again, in Matt 6:33, the Bible teaches that putting God first brings commanded blessings!

And so today, I vow to put God first in everything!

I walk in the covenant blessings of tithing, kingdom service & soul

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winning!

I am holy, healthy, happy & happening!

I have favour unlimited!

Wealth & riches answer to me!

Gates of nations open to me!

Powers of darkness submit to me!

I am free from sin, sicknesses, curses, poverty, barrenness, witchcraft, premature death & all evil!

The yokes of delay & denial are broken over my life!

Nothing good shall be withheld from me!

In Ps 84:7, the Bible reveals that appearing before God empowers destiny!

Therefore, as I appear before God on this mountain....

I declare in agreement with my man of God, (Pastor George Izunwa), that the "I AM" is at work in my life!

My sins are forgiven!

My strength is renewed!

I receive the blessing of God for a new level in life!

Today, I lay all my burdens & battles on the altar of God!

No good thing dies in my hands!

I will never be a victim of any form of wickedness!

There shall be no loss nor evil report!

I am a beneficiary of God's mercy!

2022 Omonthly prophetic declaration

MAY 2022

MAY FOCUS: THE HELP OF GOD!

TEXT: PS 146:5

WORD TO WAR WITH: GEN 2:18

You will have help! God will help you! God will organize help meet for you! God will command men to help you! God will empower someone to be able to help you! This May 2022, you will know the help of God!

One key thing God said to me about May is this; "tell them that no case is helpless & none is hopeless! If they will lift up their eyes in faith; if they will obey & serve me, I will make them the proofs of my grace & glory!"

- 1. I have never disappointed faith!
- 2. I dwell in the praises of my people!
- 3. I restore the spirit of the contrite!
- 4. I reward every labour in my kingdom!
- 5. I reveal myself on the altar of sacrifice!
- 6. I pour oil on lovers of righteousness!
- 7. I stand by those who stand for my glory!

And he said: "My precious one, will you renew your consecration to me and walk in the newness of grace? Remember my word: 'For I am the

2022 Omonthly prophetic declaration

LORD, I change not; therefore, ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.' -Mal 3:6"

I saw rings being consecrated! Some were rings of authority, some were rings of covenant, and some were rings of beauty! And the angel said to me: "destinies will be lifted this month! Men will rise into spiritual & physical authority! There will be a flood of covenant marriages. Home that were challenged will be restored by divine interventions! There will be visitations of the glory of God! Many will shine forth, supernaturally beautified, by the hand of the Lord!"

He said to me: "Tell all men to prioritize their homes this month!"

The Lord promises to heal broken hearts & dysfunctional relationships!

He said that he will restore 'out of the way' children. He told me to ask parents to pour oil on their children & bless them! He said that children with infirmities, slow-developing children & children under strange bondages will be made whole!

May will also be the month of supernatural conceptions! Many families who have waited for long will testify of divine remembrance in the month of May!

When I asked him, "what should we do?" He simply said to me: "pick up the oil & anoint your head. Then go speak my word!" And so I believe that the instruction for the month of May is this: daily anointing with oil & consistency in evangelism! This will be your key to the testimonies of the month!

Jesus Exceeds Expectations!

A SACRED INSTITUTION

KEY TEXT Ecclesiastes 4:12, "And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken."

POWER THOUGHT Faith in Christ is the most important of all principles in the building of a happy marriage...

he home is basically a sacred institution. The perfect marriage is the union of two persons—a man and a woman— with God at the centre. This is what makes marriage holy. Faith in Christ is the most important of all principles in the building of a happy marriage and a successful home. Above anything else, seek to make God the centre of your marriage and home.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

- A strong marriage starts with God at the centre.
- A husband and wife who seek the Lord together, form a winning combination.
- Marriage mirrors God's covenant relationship with His people.



Lord Jesus, thank You for Your undiluted Word today. May my home become a reflection and model of Your inestimable love, in Jesus mighty name. Amen!

Make God the centre of all your relationships, not just your marriage/home.

1 Chronicles 7 – 9

SUNDAY 1ST MAY

SEED ONE

MONDAY 2ND MAY SEED TWO

TMPROVE YOURSELF

Luke 2:40, "And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him."

POWER THOUGHT

God does not want you to be stagnated, rigid and outdated.

ne of the most deadly and hazardous mentality a man can possess is the 'Arrival Mentality'. As a matter of fact, that is the challenge with most believers these days; they think they have attained the greatest height in their pursuit and career, but unknown to them, they are only operating in old glory.

God is a God of Progress; He upgrades things (His operation and dealings with men) on daily basis. For example, the way God operated and walked with the likes of Abraham, Moses, David, Elijah, Daniel, Job, Solomon and the Apostles in their days is not how He is operating with us individually today. NO! This clearly means that God's operation with man is never antiquated or old-fashioned. He is always new every morning (Lamentations 3:22-27). That's why He is called the Ancient of Days and the Alpha and Omega.

God does not want you to be stagnated, rigid and outdated with spiritual realities. He wants you to be upgraded with fresh Oil, Grace, Knowledge, Insights, Revelations and Operations from His Word and Spirit (Proverbs 1:23-27, Daniel 12:4b). Unfortunately, many believers are practically left behind because they fail and refuse to improve on their spiritual capacity. Some have only received the

Holy Spirit in their lives with the evidential gift of speaking in tongues and that's all they have been operating on, for over 10-13 years of their Faith. They are not even bothered about increasing their revelation and insight; but you see, all these things are ERRORS in the Body of Christ. Always remember that "...the path of the just is as the shining light that shines more and more unto the perfect day..." (Proverbs 4:18).



Father in the Name of Jesus Christ, let every chain and stronghold of spiritual stagnation and lukewarmness in my life be broken now by the Power of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

Build your spiritual capacity... Spend a minimum of 15mins

DAILY BIBLE

on the Word.

1 Chronicles 10 - 12

BECOMING A MORE CONFIDENT PERSON

Psalms 27:3, "Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though
 war should rise against me, in this will I be confident."

POWER "Self-confidence has limited potential but God-confidence has unlimited possibility!" THOUGHT - Renee Swope

onfidence isn't a feeling, it's a belief. It's the belief and affirmation that you are valuable, worthwhile and capable, with some optimism added in, to help you be certain of your abilities and act courageously.

Do you have a negative view of yourself? Your value is not defined in what the world says you are. God created you in His own image and He wants you to value yourself the way He sees you. He is a God of immense love and tender mercy. He knows your faults and wishes. There is Christian confidence that helps us a great deal. I like to call it 'God confidence'— a state where you completely put your trust in God, not yourself. Renee Swope says, "Self-confidence has limited potential but God-confidence has unlimited possibility!" Then in the Bible, the Prophet Isaiah says: "You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you." (Isaiah 26:3 –NIV). There is a peace and comfort that God gives that the most loving mother could never give. He never fails. Put your confidence in him. Even a close friend can say things about you and that can bring your confidence down. God knows how best to boost your confidence. Is there anything too hard for God? ABSOLUTELY NOTHING!

God can do more for you in one second than you can do in a lifetime. Get to know Him and your trust in Him will increase. Spend time with Him in prayer. When you're confident in the Lord you will be confident in other areas of your life.



Father, thank You for loving me and carving me in the palm of Your hand. Help me to always be conscious of the fact that I am the apple of Your eye and that You love me so much, in the Mighty Name of Jesus. Amen!

Reflect on these questions; · Do I know my self-worth? · Have I settled into accepting things that are not good / meant for me? · Who does God's Word say I am?



1 Chronicles 13 - 16

SEED FOUR

DESTINY EASE **BY WISDOM AND** DIVINE DIRECTION

COVENANT DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER

1 Kings 4:29-31, "And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea shore. And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and all the wisdom of Egypt. For he was wiser than all men; than Ethan the Ezrahite, and Heman, and Chalcol, and Darda, the sons of Mahol: and his fame was in all nations round about."

Www.isdom is a gift of grace! Wisdom, at work in the life of any man, ends unnecessary toiling and struggling. Divine wisdom goes with guidance. Today, receive the wisdom you need to experience ease in your life, in Jesus' name!

PRAYER POINTS:

TEXT

- 1. Father, I thank You for the promise and provision of wisdom.
- 2. In 2022, I stir up the Spirit of a sound mind in me! The counsel of God speaks in me; no more idiocy! I will think right, believe right and act right!
- 3. I receive quick understanding. I will rise by wisdom. I receive greatness ideas, direction, counsel and influences. I declare, no more mediocre results, in Jesus' name.
- 4. I cast out the spirits of deception and confusion. I bind the spirits of mental blindness. I reject destiny errors! My life choices will be right, in Jesus mighty name!
- 5. Every attack & manipulation on my mind is cut off. No hotness of the brain. No blackout. No memory loss. No strange headaches! My mind works perfectly! in Jesus mighty name!
- 6. I walk in relational wisdom! No misplaced affection & trust. No wrong words. No foolish action. No sinful risks! Nothing will destroy my favour in Jesus mighty name!
- 7. Oh God, use Gateway Int'l Church as a tool for harvesting the souls of men and depopulating the kingdom of hell. May men from all works of life gather in Gateway Church and as they come, give them their testimonies.
- 8. In 2022, GATEWAY will go forward & grow greater! The gates of hell shall not prevail! Churches must be planted. I curse every evil hand against us! The land is subdued!
- 9. Oh Lord, lift up the hands of my man of God, Pst. George Izunwa. He will speak as Your oracle at all times. Raise men and women that will lift his hands higher, in

Jesus name.

10. Over Nigeria, O Lord, heal our land!



1 Chronicles 17 – 19

THURSDAY 5TH MAY SEED FIVE

WHAT A SAVIOUR!

KEY TEXT Psalm 91:15, "He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him."

POWER THOUGHT

You are not a sheep without a Shepherd.

e have a God who wants us to run to Him. And the moment we do, He has promised that He **will** answer us. Not "might," or "perhaps," but a definite "will".

Do you know why you can have the assurance that when you call on Him, He will answer you? It's because of the divine exchange that took place at the Cross, where our Lord Jesus cried out, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" (Matthew 27:46b). He was forsaken—left helpless, totally abandoned, and deserted—so that today, you can have the confidence that your heavenly Father will never leave nor forsake you (Hebrews 13:5b). What a Saviour! Don't you feel so loved and so cherished by our Lord? And He made it so easy for you to receive His promises. Your part is to simply call upon Him and let Him be your God. Whatever you may be going through today, call upon Him right now and He will deliver and honour you!

Are you living with panic attacks, fear, and chronic anxiety? Don't allow the devil to cripple you with all kinds of negative mental pictures or by replaying all the worst-case scenarios in your head. Call out to your Saviour, Jesus Christ! You are not a sheep without a Shepherd, so stop

trying to carry all your cares upon your own shoulders. He wants you to cast "all your care upon Him, for **He cares for** you" (1 Peter 5:7). Call upon Him and allow His peace to supernaturally guard your heart.



Lord Jesus, thank You for everything that You did for me on the Cross. I am confident that I am not alone. I hand over every burden of my heart to You and I receive Your peace in exchange. Amen.

Tell God about that one burden Action in your heart.



1 Chronicles 20 - 23

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ear is a destructive bondage. Fear paralyzes you and prevents you from fulfilling the amazing destiny that God has for you. Fear makes you feel inadequate and insecure, and comes with unhealthy side effects ranging from panic attacks to sleep disorders.

Fear is a spiritual condition, which is why you can't reason it away. You can't simply tell someone who is struggling with fear and gripped by panic attacks to just stop being fearful. A spiritual condition cannot be remedied naturally. Fear can be eradicated only by a personal encounter with the person of Jesus.

Beloved, if what is described above about fear is all too familiar to you, I want you to know that it is not your heavenly Father's heart for you to live tormented by fear. There is no fear in God's love. His perfect love drives out all fears. **John 3:16** tells us, *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life".* Oh, how clearly this verse proclaims that God so loves you. And if you only knew how much He esteems and treasures His beloved Son, you would catch a glimpse of how much He loves you, because He gave up His Son for you.

God loves you so much that He gave up His own Son as a sacrifice in your stead. God's love is indeed perfect— a love that bore your sins so that you can receive His everlasting life and live free of any bondage. Beloved, the more you immerse and anchor your heart on God's perfect and unconditional love for you, the more fear will lose its hold on your life!



Oh Lord, thank You for showing me what love truly means. I choose today, to walk and live in Your perfect love for me. every spirit of fear or bondage has been removed by the power of Calvary. I walk in freedom, in Jesus' name.

Meditate on the key text for today.



1 Chronicles 24 – 26

SATURDAY 7TH MAY SEED SEVEN

A HEALTHY SELF-ESTEEM

Psalms 139:14, "I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well"

POWER God considers your life more valuable than a million sparrows

Sometimes, it's really hard to feel good about yourself. When you see how perfect others always appear, you begin to feel less of yourself and start comparing yourself to them, feeling like you don't measure up.

So how do you deal with those days when you feel less than amazing? First things first! Think about what makes you special. God has said a lot of things about you in His Word; He considers your life more valuable than a million sparrows **(Luke 12:7)**. Sometimes, feeling bad about yourself happens because of what you're spending time thinking about. Maybe you've been comparing yourself to someone else and feel like you come up short. Or maybe you've just spent too much time thinking about all your faults. Certainly, we all have faults, but it does no good to think and dwell on them so much that it makes you unhappy. Spend more time to think good thoughts. Thoughts of how much God loves you and the value He places on you. As you change what you're thinking about, you'll find that you'll be happier and your self esteem will be higher. *"Finally, my friends, keep your minds on whatever is true, pure, right, holy, friendly, and proper. Don't ever stop thinking about what is truly worthwhile and worthy of*

praise" Philippians 4:8 (CEV).

Through the help of the Holy Spirit, you can develop a healthy self-esteem. Go to God; be open and honest about what you're dealing with. He is so ready to listen to you and help you. Tell Him how you feel and ask His help in developing a healthy self-esteem.



Oh God, I pour out my heart to You today. Help me to see 'ME' the way You see me. Strengthen me in the areas of my weakness and help me to always raise my head up high in life, in Jesus' name.

ACTION POINT

DAILY BIBLE

Read these scriptures and meditate on them — Jeremiah 29:11, Ephesians 2:10.

1 Chronicles 27 – 29

SUNDAY 8TH MAY SEED EIGHT

LET GO AND **LET GOD**

KEY TEXT Hebrews 12:1, "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,"

POWER THOUGHT

Let go of what's behind, so as to let God in

R unners know that to run with perseverance they have to let go of everything. Everyday, we must choose to **let go of what's behind**, so as to let God in. Carrying the past around will only take up space for God's goodness, grace, and favour. Renewing your mind in Christ means letting go of all the burdens He died to take from you.

HOW TO LET GO AND LET GOD -

- Start each day with God.
- Surround yourself with encouragement.
- Renew your mind continually by the Word and maintain spiritual vigour.
- Forgive and let go of past hurts intentionally.



Oh God, help me to let go of all that has held me back. I receive Your peace for every troubled area of my life, in Jesus' name. Amen!



2 Chronicles 1 – 4

MONDAY 9TH MAY SEED NINE

THE FORCE OF INTEGRITY AND CHARACTER

KEY TEXT Daniel 1:8, "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself".

POWER THOUGHT

Nobody can have a weak character with a strong destiny.

hen purpose and potentials are discovered, developed and deployed, destiny can be fulfilled. However, there are other forces that must come to play if destiny must be fulfilled. Most people find it hard to fulfill their destinies after discovering their purpose, developing and deploying their potentials. This could be as a result of certain things that were out of place in their lives.

Lack of Integrity and Character can keep a man from fulfilling his destiny. For instance, Samson knew his calling. He deployed his potentials but he was cut short in the middle of his life and destiny because he was bankrupt of the force of integrity and character. The strength of character is what determines the strength of destiny. There are people with strong character and there are others with weak character. Nobody can have a weak character with a strong destiny and vice versa.

Thought is the starting point of character (**Proverbs 4:23; 23:7**). Whatever your thought is becomes your character. So, until you watch your thought, you cannot control your character. This is how it works— Thought established, leads to actions. When you think about anything for a while, you act it. Actions when sustained form habits. Habits perpetuated establish character. And whenever character is concretized, destiny is defined.

So, beloved, if you want to handle your destiny, pay attention to your thought. To discipline your thought, you need to engage the Word of God (Joshua 1:8, Romans 12:1-2). You must make up your mind to watch what you think, so you can control your character and fulfill your destiny.



Lord, work on my thought. Renew my mind daily and cause me to be a true reflection of Your image on earth. In Jesus Name. Amen!

Carryout a sincere self-evaluation and work on areas of concern.



2 Chronicles 5 – 7

TUESDAY 10TH MAY SEED TEN

PAY ATTENTION TO THE SPIRIT

KEY TEX 1 Corinthians 2:11-12, "For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God".

POWER THOUGHT The Holy Spirit is your advantage and the secret to a glorious and successful life.

he indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit in your life is one of the greatest blessings you have as a child of God. He's your advantage and the secret to a glorious and successful life. So you must recognise and take advantage of His ministry in your life.

It is the ministry of the Holy Spirit to guide and lead you in all your affairs; it is His ministry to grant you the wisdom and counsel you need to win every day. You have to consciously acknowledge His presence with you and in you, and learn to yield to Him always. Never ignore His counsel. The Bible says in **Isaiah 30:21**, "Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," whenever you turn to the right hand or whenever you turn to the left."

Whose voice do you think that is? It is the voice of the Holy Spirit! He speaks to us daily on life's issues through God's Word, but many ignore His counsel, because His voice is never strong and harsh against us. Perhaps you talked to someone rudely and the Holy Spirit corrected you, be quick to heed His correction and make amends. Otherwise, His voice that used to be clear to you may soon become faint and distant if you continually ignore Him.

Make up your mind to live your life in a way that brings honour to the Holy Spirit; appreciate His presence in your life, and you'll be glad you did.



Dear heavenly Father, I thank You for the opportunity to be blessed by your precious Word today. May the blockades and obstacles causing me not to hear Your voice be uprooted by fire! I receive the grace to obey Your leading, in Jesus' mighty Name.

Speak in tongues for fifteen minutes, and meditate on John 16:13-14 throughout today.



2 Chronicles 8 – 11

WEDNESDAY 11TH MAY SEED ELEVEN

UNCOMMON FAVOUR AND DESTINY CONNECTIONS

COVENANT DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER

KEY TEXT Exra 8:18, "And by the good hand of our God upon us they brought us a man of understanding, of the sons of Mahli, the son of Levi, the son of Israel; and Sherebiah, with his sons and his brethren, eighteen;"

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ne destiny maker can turn a 'nobody' into somebody! It takes the favour of God to connect to life changers!

PRAYER POINTS:

- Lord, thank You for enriching my life with grace relationships! This year, I receive new covenant friends & helpers! I welcome new destiny helpers!
- 2. Today, I invite people anointed to speak wisdom and direction into my destiny! I call in prophetic voices, men of wisdom & life inspirers!
- 3. I reject rejection! I am a magnet of positive people! The fragrance of grace is on me! Men appointed for me will seek me out this year!
- 4. Lord, command people with resources to come with a willing heart & invest in my life projects! I will not be without help nor beg for help!
- 5. I cut off everyone sent by the devil to pollute or violate my glorious destiny! No more dirty, defiling & devilish relationships! No soul ties!
- 6. O God, expose every witchcraft agent & messenger of reproach! I judge anyone sent to reduce my life! I release fire on destiny assassins!
- 7. Oh God, use Gateway Int'l Church as a tool for harvesting the souls of men and depopulating the kingdom of hell. May men from all works of life gather in Gateway Church and as they come, give them their testimonies.
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- 9. Oh Lord, lift up the hands of my man of God, Pst. George Izunwa. He will speak as Your oracle at all times. Raise men and women that will lift his hands higher, in Jesus name.
- 10. Over Nigeria, O Lord, heal our land! Amen!



2 Chronicles 12 - 16

THE WRONG COMPANY - A VISION KILLER

1 Corinthians 15:33-34, "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.
 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God:..."

POWER THOUGHT If a man is not careful about his choice of friendship, then he is not concerned about his future.

t has been confirmed that the wrong company can signal the end of a vision, destiny and even life itself. If a man is not careful about his choice of friendship, then he is not concerned about his future.

The case of the wise men from the East and their encounter with Herod depicted a clear example and effects of the wrong company (Matthew 2:1-9). The wise men came from the East to visit the new born King of kings, Jesus, and a star led them. However, instead of following the star strictly, they went to the house of Herod to ask where the King should be born. The question is who told them that Herod could do what the star was doing for them? Was the star tired of leading them? With their human wisdom, they went to the house of Herod. You can never complete in the energy of the flesh, what was started in the power of the Spirit. Do not ever let the flesh finish what the Spirit started. Now, when they went to Herod's house, the star could no longer be sighted; not until they stepped out of Herod's house and the star reappeared (Matthew 2:9).

Beloved, 'Herod' can make your star disappear. Beware of Herod! There are people whose association with you can cause your visions to disappear. There are people whose association with you can quench your

shining and terminate your distinction. The wrong company brings distraction; it can push you in directions that take you away from your original path of vision. That will never be your portion, in Jesus' name. Amen.



FRIDAY 13TH MAY

SEED THIRTEEN

LOVING DESPITE HINDRANCES

Galatians 6:9-10, "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith".

POWER THOUGHT

TEXT

... a life centered on SELF is a life settled for smallness...

life filled with love is highly rewarding but absolutely challenging and completely demanding. We live in a world that is overrun by the plague of ingratitude, where people reward good with evil (2 Timothy 3:1-2); you raise people, and they try to erase you (Genesis 13:2-8). So, you see people that you once loved and assisted in the past now behave as if you did nothing good for them. This, amongst other reasons can make LOVE a hard thing to do.

Another hindrance to loving people could be personal challenges and confrontations of life. This is when someone feels so confronted and challenged that he decides to face himself squarely to the exclusion of others. Despite these hindrances, how then can you walk in love?

- Realise that for every ungrateful person, there is a grateful person 1. waiting to be helped (Ruth 1:14).
- 2. Always remember that the gain of loving and giving is more for the giver than the receiver (Acts 20:35b).
- 3. Bear in mind that a life centered on SELF is a life settled for smallness both in this world and in the world to come. When you live beyond yourself, you live beyond your size (John 12:23-24).

Remember that life is a seed and the needs you meet in the lives of others will determine the needs God will meet in your life (Galatians 6:7). When you look away from your needs to the needs of others, God will look away from others to you (Job 42:10).



Lord, I receive the grace to love unconditionally like You. Use me to mend broken hearts and put smiles on the faces of Your people, in Jesus' Name. Amen!

Within your capacity, reach out to someone in need today.



2 Chronicles 21 – 24

SATURDAY 14TH MAY SEED FOURTEEN

THE SECRET TO FLYING HIGH

Daniel 6:10, "Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime."

POWER THOUGHT

TEXT

Until secrets are discovered, life remains a struggle.

Behind every attention-commanding result, there are secrets. It is not possible to see a person flying high in life without secrets. Until secrets are discovered, life remains a struggle. Now, one of the secrets of flying high in life is unhidden spirituality and prayerfulness.

Spirituality is key to authority. Your spiritual base determines your destiny base. Prayerfulness is key to usefulness. You cannot be prayerful and be useless on earth. To seek God first is to have all other things (Matthew 6:33). Some people say, "But there are people who do not know God but are successful". The truth is, you need to find out how well they are doing. Find out about their dreams in the night, the symptoms in their bodies, the fears of their lives, and the dangerous evil covenants they may have entered in order to acquire and sustain the so-called success. Beloved, success is not just about having money; it is not about flying around the world. Success is having peace with God and being established in the centre of God's will and plan for your life. It does not matter how much money you have or what position you occupy, if you do not have peace with God, you are a failure. Daniel had an unhidden life of spirituality and prayerfulness (Daniel 6:10). And he was flying very high in his days (Daniel 6:1-3). People could not find anything against

Daniel except it pertained to the Law of his God **(Daniel 6:5)**.

Beloved, there is nothing to be ashamed of in serving God. Those who are serving the devil are serving him shamelessly. Why should you serve God shamefully? Raise the banner of Jesus high for your whole world to see.



Lord, thank You for the privilege to be identified with You. I receive the grace to reach out to the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, in Jesus' Name. Amen!

Witness Jesus to someone before the end of today.



2 Chronicles 25 – 28

SUNDAY 15TH MAY SEED FIFTEEN A PEACEFUL HOME KEY 2 Thessalonians 3:16, "Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all" POWER THOUGHT Peace doesn't come by mere wishful thinking.....

house is just four walls and a roof, but a home is an enjoyable place where you can live, laugh, and learn in peace and love. Peace doesn't come by mere wishful thinking; it is a by-product of a Godcentred home and marriage. May your home/family revolve around Jesus. Amen!

FEW TIPS TO BRING PEACE INTO YOUR HOME—

- Create a spiritual family altar and portray the God-first lifestyle.
- Pray frequently and love genuinely.

Be the change you want to see in your home.



Today, I declare that the peace of God reigns in my life, marriage and family! I enjoy peace all-round! Every power sponsoring curses in my life and home is uprooted now, in Jesus name. Amen!





2 Chronicles 29 – 31

MONDAY 16TH MAY SEED SIXTEEN IVING A BALANCED LIFE KEY TEXT Colossians 1:10, "That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;" POWER God is not deficient...

he Holy Spirit inspired the Apostle Paul to pray the prayer above for the Church, letting us understand God's will for our lives. He prayed that you'd walk in the way of true righteousness, pleasing God in all that you do, fruitful and productive, as you mature in the rich experience of knowing Him in His fullness!

God wants your life to be fruitful in every good work. With this fruitfulness, He wants you to increase in your "epignosis" (i.e. full, exact and experiential knowledge) of Him. What a balanced life! For some people, when they become very productive with their work, business or career, they don't have time for God anymore. They hardly even study the Bible or participate in church meetings and activities. The more they make progress in their job, the less time they devote to spiritual things; something is wrong. The life of the Christian is one of ever-increasing glory; all-round success. That is, you're making good progress in your work, your family is doing fine, your children are growing up strong in faith and in righteousness, and at the same time, you're increasing in the knowledge of God. The Bible says, "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord" (2 Peter 1:2). Do you want to live a well-rounded life? Go for the knowledge

of God and of Jesus Christ!

God is not deficient and He doesn't want you deficient in any area of your life. You can be very fruitful, productive, and strong. God wants your life to be balanced; and you can actualize His desire in your life by walking in the knowledge of His Word.



Dear loving Father, thank You for giving me a perfect and balanced life. By Your Spirit that dwells in me, I am fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of Your Word, as I please You in all things, in Jesus Name. Amen!

Think about the areas of your life that you are experiencing deficiency and how to improve on those areas.



2 Chronicles 32 – 34

...empowering your life

THOUGHT

A PRAYING **FAMILY**

KEY TEX1 Acts 10:31, "And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are remembered in the sight of God." NKJV

TUESDAY 17TH MAY

SEED SEVENTEEN

POWER THOUGHT

 $\ldots when a family prays together, amazing things can happen.$

Puritan preacher Thomas Brookes once said, "A family without prayer is like a house without a roof, open and exposed to all the storms of heaven". Praying as a family can be challenging. But when a family learns to pray together, amazing things can happen.

Such was the case for Cornelius and his family as they feared the Jewish God and prayed to Him regularly. In **Acts 10**, Cornelius, a Roman centurion, and his family prayed regularly to God (vs. 2). During one of his prayer times, the Lord gave Cornelius a vision to meet Simon Peter (vs. 3–6). The next day, Peter was praying when he too had a vision from the Lord (vs. 9). Peter's vision was not about food laws, but rather God's attitude toward the Gentiles. The Lord was signaling a new era for Jesus' followers that would include Jews and non-Jews as one family.

Peter was able to comprehend the Lord's message because he was in the spirit of prayer. He quickly determined to obey God. Similarly, in prayer, Cornelius and his family sought after God even though they had very little knowledge of everything that happened in Jerusalem. Because Peter, Cornelius, and his family were all in prayer, they were able to build bridges that broke through division. The saving grace of Jesus was now offered to

all. The family table had been extended for all to come and have a place.

Spend time together this week asking God to work in your family and to use you for His purpose. Even if you are praying together for the first time, remember that when a family prays together, amazing things can happen.



Lord, we come before You as a family and ask You to use us to accomplish Your purposes. Unite us and give us opportunities to demonstrate your sacrificial love to those in need, in Jesus name. Amen

Pray with your family today.



1 Kings 21 – 22

WEDNESDAY 18TH MAY SEED EIGHTEEN

FAMILY DESTINY SANITATION

COVENANT DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER

KEY TEXT Psalm 34:17 "The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; He delivers them from all their troubles."

veryone has a family! We will stand as priests over our homes and rebuke every cycle of evil! The plague must cease!

PRAYER POINTS:

- 1. Father, I thank You for my family! The covenant of SURE MERCIES that I have with You will work in my family! Shame has ended!
- 2. Let the blood of Jesus Christ speak over the altars of my family! No evil ancient altars! No strange covenants! No ancestral curses! No death! No evil inheritance.
- 3. I command salvation in my family! I declare, no more spiritual apathy. I curse lukewarmness! Everyone will be born again & serve God in truth!
- 4. I disconnect my entire family from the activities of familiar spirits, altar guardians, witchcraft forces, territorial strongmen & avengers of blood!
- 5. I proclaim a season of greatness! Financial giants arise! Academic geniuses! Political leaders! Sports champions! Spiritual authorities!
- 6. Today, I uproot evil relationships & sexual perversion from my home! No adultery, fornication, pornography etc! Let purity be in my home!
- 7. Oh God, use Gateway Int'l Church as a tool for harvesting the souls of men and depopulating the kingdom of hell. May men from all works of life gather in Gateway Church and as they come, give them their testimonies.
- 8. In 2022, GATEWAY will go forward & grow greater! The gates of hell shall not prevail! Churches must be planted. I curse every evil hand against us! The land is subdued!
- 9. Oh Lord, lift up the hands of my man of God, Pst. George Izunwa. He will speak as Your oracle at all times. Raise men and women that will lift his hands higher, in Jesus name.
- 10. Over Nigeria, O Lord, heal our land!



REIGNING THROUGH WORDS

KEY TEX1 Ecclesiastes 8:4. "Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, what doest thou?"

POWER THOUGHT

Kings reign with words.

he Amplified Classic Version renders **Rom. 5:17b** very beautifully. It says, those who have received this gift of righteousness shall reign as kings in life. That's talking about reigning in the earth; a kingly life on earth.

Revelation 5:10 says, "And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth." Let's examine one striking quality of a king in **our key text**. It says, "Where the word of a king is, there is power...." Kings reign with words. You're a king; therefore, reign with words. When you command fear to go, it goes! If you're attacked by any kind of sickness, and you call it by name and command it to go, it's got to quit! Everything in life has intelligence; they're intelligent enough to recognize when the king gives the word, and that king is YOU! Can you see why you ought to speak right and never paralyze your own faith? When you feel symptoms of sickness or disease in your body, don't succumb! Just say the word and effect a change! Every word you say goes out in the spirit-realm to cause changes. Refuse to speak empty, idle, inoperative, nonworking words. Ordinary men may talk anyhow, but not you! You're a spiritual man; your words have creative power.

Take your place of dominion, and reign in the Name of Jesus over circumstances, through words. Command every storm to be still in the Name of Jesus. Refuse the down life. Reign and rule in life as the king that you are, through words.



Dear Father, I thank You for the gift of righteousness that gives me boldness in Your presence, and causes me to reign in life as a king. I speak the right words only, thereby effecting changes in my family, health, business and ministry. I walk in righteousness, in Jesus Name. Amen!

Consciously speak with the authority and knowledge that you are royalty.



Ezra 5 – 7

ARE YOU FRIENDLY TO OTHERS?

Proverbs 18:24, "A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother."

POWER THOUGHT The Christian faith is all about others...

ave you noticed that a lot of people are not friendly? American Evangelist Christian Author, John Ortberg, says, "There is a world of difference between being friendly to someone because they're useful to you and being someone's friend." People get friendly when they are in need and change their disposition once their aim is achieved.

What does it mean to be 'friendly'? I looked up 'friendly' in the Webster's Dictionary and this is how it's defined: showing interest, goodwill, kindness, sympathetic, welcoming. Being friendly is a powerful and meaningful thing. For instance, a friendly congregation in a church will attract people and grow, even if it has a hundred other things wrong with it. If you are perceived to be a friendly person, you will likely have friends and people will like to be around you. **Ephesians 4:32** urges us to, "Be kind and compassionate to one another..." This is God's instruction for us, to be available for others even when it is or not convenient. **Proverbs 18:24** says, "A man who has friends must himself be friendly..." (NKJV), this means giving friendship and showing support. It's not one-sided. This Bible verse in Proverbs was written almost 3,000 years ago by King Solomon—a very wise man. He was very powerful, but he also realised the importance of being friendly... He was the king of Israel, a thriving and powerful nation. He made enemies into his friends. He

made time to show himself friendly to others, even his enemies.

Would you call yourself a 'friendly' person? The Christian faith is all about others, not just living for yourself. Be a friendly person!



Oh Lord, please help me to be kind and friendly to everyone I meet as a way of showing Your love to them, in Jesus name. Amen!

ACTION POINT



Make a new friend before the end of today.

Ezra 8 – 10

SATURDAY 21ST MAY SEED TWENTY-ONE

GOD WILL CARRY YOU

KEY TEXT Isaiah 46:4, "and even to your old age I am He; and even to hoar hairs I will carry you; I have made, I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver you."

POWER THOUGHT God's inactivity is not a sign of His unwillingness.

ou serve an all-knowing God who does not only know your problems but is also a master at solving them. God's love towards you is higher than even the love your parents have for you. It is more than what a job or company can offer any employee. His love does not decrease in adversity. God knows whatever you're going through in life. Sometimes when you're passing through challenges, it looks as if God has forgotten you. Friend, the answer is NO! God's inactivity is not a sign of His unwillingness. The truth is that He will surely meet you at the point of your needs. Maybe, you've waited for a long time for your desired baby, healing, marriage, financial breakthrough etc, there's good news for you today — He that keeps Israel neither slumbers nor sleeps (**Psalms 121:4**).

Refuse to fret! At the peak of travail, there is always a breakthrough around the corner. Certainly, God knows! You may have been consistent in serving God over the years, just like Hannah was going to Shiloh with her husband yearly. In spite of her yearly sacrifice and offerings at Shiloh, she was still barren. It was as if God had abandoned her but one day, God answered her. And from that day, her cry for a baby ended forever. It doesn't matter what you are passing through in life, God knows and

there's an end to every challenge (**Proverbs 23:18**). As God did it for Hannah, so God will also do it for you in this season in Jesus name. Your expectations shall not be cut short!



Lord Jesus, thank You for Your consistent concern for me. You know me and You know what I need! I receive grace to follow Your leading, in Jesus name. Amen!



Be rest assured that God knows!



Nehemiah 1 – 3



od is still the greatest miracle worker. He alone knows how best to do it. He knows when something needs to happen, the way it needs to happen and the perfect way to make it happen. He also knows when something won't be good for you in the end. He knows you better than you know yourself. Trust Him to bring a miracle your way today!

WHAT TO DO WHILE YOU WAIT—

- Present your cares and burdens to God, just as they are.
- Trust that God can do what He has promised to do.
- Don't take matters into your hands; hand them over to God.



Oh God, I believe in Your power to save and deliver me. I declare that I will see Your miraculous power at work in every area of my life, in Jesus name. Amen!



Nehemiah 4 – 7

MONDAY 23RD MAY SEED TWENTY-THREE

FORTIFY YOURSELF

KEY TEXT 1 Samuel 30:6, "And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: but David encouraged himself in the LORD his God."

POWER THOUGHT Never imagine that you are no longer the target of the enemy;

n our focal scripture, in the midst of his men who spoke of stoning him, David encouraged himself in the Lord his God. The word 'encourage' as used in that scripture comes from the Hebrew word 'chazaq'; one of the meanings of 'chazaq' is 'to fortify'; so David fortified himself in the Lord his God. He was in a vulnerable situation, and he fortified himself in the Lord.

One major reason why people fortify their territories is because there are things to be protected, and there are invaders waiting to steal what must be protected. If you fail to fortify yourself in the Lord, your adversary the devil may easily invade your life and steal what ought to be protected. If you are not fortified, the enemy might want to steal your joy, peace, sound mind, focus, dedication, consecration, inspiration, vision, etc. Don't imagine that the enemy will fold his arms and watch you enjoy your harvest season without trying to scuttle your joy. Never imagine that the same enemy that wanted to stop you in the past no longer wants to stop you. Never imagine that the same enemy that loves to steal, kill and destroy has changed because you have made progress.

Friend, the enemy will only invade easily when there is no fortification.

Fortify yourself in the Lord your God. Fortify yourself in the place of prayers; with the words of God that you have read and heard; by saying what God is saying; by spending time alone with God; by deepening your communion with God; with warfare prayers. Receive grace to fortify yourself.



Oh God, pour fresh fire and strength on me today! I will not become a victim of life's arrows. I am well surrounded and no devil can survive around me! In Jesus name. Amen!

Spend at least 15mins, at point today, speaking in tongues.

DAILY BIBLE READING: Nehemiah 8 – 10

GOD GIVES PEACE

KEY TEX1 Isaiah 26:3 "thou will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."

POWER THOUGHT

The world can't offer you what it never had...

Peace is a commodity that can only be found in God. The world can't offer us peace because it has nothing in which to place its hope, trust, and security. Kingdoms come and go. Leaders move in and out of power. World societal values changes like the passing of the tides. The only constant is God. He governs the change of seasons. And He longs to offer total and sustained peace to all who place their hope and trust in Him.

God has peace in store for you in every situation if you will choose to trust Him and keep your mind stayed on Him. The world says that peace can only come when you've worked your fingers to the bone and have finally attained all you want. You can only have peace when you have enough money, friends, the right job, or the right spouse. You can only have peace if friends, family, and bosses like you.

God's way is to draw you into Himself and offer you peace in the midst of your circumstances. He doesn't want you to wait until everything gets worked out before you can have rest—He's offering you rest right now.

It's by the Spirit alone that you will find life and peace. Stop looking for

fulfillment in the things of the world. The world can't offer you what it never had. Look toward your heavenly Father for the peace that surpasses all understanding. May you be filled with rest and peace today as you spend time in prayer seeking the face of God.



Thank You Father for giving me peace and rest roundabout! I declare that every storm and turbulent circumstance is calmed by the peace of the Living God, in Jesus Name. Amen!

Think of one major thing you need to trust God for; hand it over to God and ask the Holy Spirit to give you peace.



Nehemiah 11 – 13
WEDNESDAY 25TH MAY SEED TWENTY-FIVE

I CALL FORTH POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10, "Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor. For if they fall, one will lift up his companion. But woe to him who is alone when he falls, for he has no one to help him up."

POWER THOUGHT You were created for signs and wonders.

Positive relationships are critical to achieving destiny fulfilment. God's intent for you is to have a strong support system. A financially challenged man surrounded by friendship, family and love will find more fulfilment than a rich loner. Today, as you pray, may divinely orchestrated relationships locate you!

PRAYER POINTS:

TEXT

- 1. Father, I thank You for the men and women You have brought into my life in time past. Thank You for giving me destiny uplifting relationships everywhere I go.
- 2. I repent and reject every negative attitude, habit or behaviour that destroys godly relationships. I receive grace to model everything I want in a good relationship.
- 3. **Eph. 4:7** Oh God, make me a delightsome land! Immerse me in the grace and favour that will command people to seek after me, in Jesus name.
- 4. **1 Sam. 10:3-4** Today, I call in destiny enhancers, edifiers and beautifiers. I receive into my life men and women that are assets and destiny vehicles to my next level, in Jesus name.
- 5. **Rom. 8:28** By the blood of Jesus, I rebuke the curses of disfavour, rejection and betrayal. I will never struggle in relationships ever again, in Jesus name.
- 6. **Gen. 39:21**—I declare that this is a season of favour for my entire family. Men will see us and give to us. The curse of disappointment is broken forever!
- 7. Oh God, use Gateway Int'l Church as a tool for harvesting the souls of men and depopulating the kingdom of hell. May men from all works of life gather in Gateway Church and as they come, give them their testimonies.
- 8. In 2022, GATEWAY will go forward & grow greater! The gates of hell shall not prevail! Churches must be planted. I curse every evil hand against us! The land is subdued!
- Oh Lord, lift up the hands of my man of God, Pst. George Izunwa. He will speak as Your oracle at all times. Raise men and women that will lift his hands higher, in Jesus name.
- 10. Over Nigeria, O Lord, heal our land!



GET RID OF THE MENTAL BAGGAGE!

KEY TEXT Psalm 147:3, "He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds."

POWER THOUGHT

Like blame, emotional/mental baggage keeps you stuck.

ave you ever been alone on a trip and you had a lot of travelling bags? Can you still recall how troublesome that journey was? Everything in those bags must have been necessary to you but because you had to carry them all by yourself, they became a burden. Sometimes life can be this way— when you harbor grudges and hold on to past mistakes, even your own, you carry excess mental/emotional baggage around.

Like blame, emotional/mental baggage keeps you stuck. If someone in a past relationship has hurt you and you're yet to let go of it, every time your mate does something similar it's likely you'll react with unwarranted fervor, as if he or she was the original person who hurt you. Mental baggage can hamper any kind of relationship. Worse still, there is a stronger possibility that people with unresolved conflicts and baggage turn to food for comfort, have sexual addictions, mutilate themselves, turn to alcohol to forget their pain, and even turn away from God and dislike the Church. Just as you clean your house to get rid of physical rubbish, you need to keep your mental, emotional, and spiritual house clean and in order. There is one person who can make light every burden or baggage in your life— God. He is the only One whose shoulder is broader than anyone else has to carry all your baggage, whose

heart can carry all your wounds, whose feet will never trample you as you fall down, and whose love never scrutinizes your scars.

Drop all your baggage, and let Jesus Christ carry them all for you. Do not try to take back what you have given to Him. He can deliver you and restore peace to you.



Oh Lord, I bare myself out to You today. I need Your help; I need to be free. Rid of every baggage I have carried all this while. Help me to forgive; help me to let go; help me to enjoy peace and freedom as I journey through life. I receive complete restoration, in Jesus Name. Amen!

Let go.



Esther 6 – 10

FRIDAY 27TH MAY SEED TWENTY-SEVEN

BETTER DAYS AHEAD

KEY TEXT

Haggai 2:7-9, "And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts... The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts."

POWER THOUGHT

...the Lord cares about you and that He will always provide everything you need...

any are concerned about the world today. Everything we hear and see indicates that the world is in a bad condition and most likely things will get worse before they get better. But what if things do get worse? What if the bottom drops out of everything? Does that mean that there is no hope? Is our ability to enjoy life dependent solely upon our external circumstances?

Consider the words from David in the Book of Psalms. David gives us some great words of hope. Even when others are in despair, you, as God's child, should always have hope. You should always believe that the Lord cares about you and that He will always provide everything you need. Always believe that He will watch over you. Stay focused on what He has in store for you. You may experience hard times; yet, the Lord can still put a smile on your face. The Bible says, "You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!" (Isaiah 26:3).

I close today with the words of comfort from another portion of the psalms. "I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip—he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord watches over you—the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you

from all harm—he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore." (Psalms 121)



According to the Word of the Lord, the glory of the latter house shall be greater than the former, therefore I believe that better and greater days are coming! I will see and enjoy the good of the land, in Jesus name. Amen!



Declare boldly, "Greater is here."

Job 1 – 4

SATURDAY 28TH MAY SEED TW

SEED TWENTY-EIGHT

A LETTER TO YOU

KEY TEXT 1 Peter 2:9, "But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;"

POWER THOUGHT

Royalty begets royalty.

he epistles aren't just ordinary writings or mere letters; they are the out breathings of the Spirit to the Church. So, the Apostle Peter, in the above text, was referring to, and addressing those of us that are born again. Let's examine and review the powerful thoughts in the verse.

First, notice the tenses in the phrase: "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation" This doesn't suggest something that's futuristic. It refers to who you are now. That means you're sanctified unto Him for glory and for beauty. You're His peculiar treasure; and you're royalty. You're born a king (**Revelation 1:6**). You belong in the royal family of the Monarch of the universe. Walk in this consciousness. Kings reign; therefore, reign in life over the devil, sickness, disease, and the circumstances of life. The key scripture today also says that you're God's own purchased, special people. He purchased you by the blood of Jesus (**Acts 20:28**), so that you may set forth His wonderful deeds and display His virtues and perfections. That staggers the mind! It means you have the ability to exude and display divine excellence.

Royalty begets royalty. Everything about you must reveal divine elegance and beauty. There must be a decency of the Spirit about your life, because

you're an ambassador of Christ. The Spirit of God, who Himself is the Spirit of excellence, has brought excellence into your life; therefore, exude excellence. Do excellent things!



Dear Father, I thank You for giving me the ability to exude excellence, and manifest your wisdom, greatness and righteousness to my world. Amen!

Deliver today's tasks excellently.

Job 5 – 8





POWER THOUGHT The society does not exist in isolation of the family.

he family can be said to be one of the most basic and important socialising agents. The society does not exist in isolation of the family. The major cause of the degeneration of morality in our society can be located in the erosion/lack of values in children of various families. You have a responsibility as a parent/guardian to imbibe godly and goodly values into your children. Train up your child!

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO TRAIN YOUR CHILD-

- Model godly character; become the message you preach.
- Training a child should be done in the direction of their skills and temperaments.
- Pay attention to their physical, spiritual and emotional needs.
- Discipline a child when necessary.



Today, I receive the grace to imbibe godly values in the lives of my children and every other child around me. My life and my entire generation will make Jesus proud, in Jesus mighty name. Amen!

Think about new things you want to teach your children this week.

Job 9 – 12

DON'T TAKE ALL THE TIME; GIVE TOO!

KEY TEX Proverbs 3:28, "Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and tomorrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee."

POWER ...life owes you nothing but an opportunity...

he Bible says in **Proverbs 30:15**, "The leech has two daughters, give and give." The definition of a leech from Webster's dictionary is a "blood-sucking fresh water annelid worm with a sucker at each end; a hanger-on who seeks advantage or gain."

When the Bible says "give and give," it is referring to the character of one who desires only for someone to continually give to them. The leech, in this context, refers to a type of generation with the entitlement attitude or thinking process. It is interesting to note that, the word entitlement has the word "title" inside the word. We think because we are a Christian, father, boss, friend, pastor, etc., we are entitled or someone owes us something. God, your parents, the government, your job, or church does not owe you anything!

The Apostle Paul said, "I am a debtor to God." You are at the point where you are currently because God, parents, teachers, mentors and many others have invested in you. You owe them honour, respect and a heart of thankfulness. John Kennedy said, "Ask not what your country can do for you but what you can do for your country." Perhaps you should be asking

God what you could do for Him and asking less what He can do for you.

The point is that, life owes you nothing but an opportunity to study, work hard, grow and pray to get where you want to be. Don't be like the leech. You are called to be a giver not a taker.



Today, I declare that I have the heart of a giver; I receive the grace to become a sacrificial giver. I pray for the heart to give much more than I take, in Jesus Name. Amen!

ACTION POINT Give something to someone today, no matter how little.



Job 13 – 16

TUESDAY 31ST MAY

SEED THIRTY-ONE

WE RISE BY LIFTING OTHERS

KEY TEXT

Hebrews 10:24-25, "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." NIV

POWER THOUGHT Everyone needs a boost of confidence along with uplifting moments.

veryone needs a boost of confidence along with uplifting moments. The Bible says, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." By that, we rise by lifting others. This helps us see that our reward comes to us later out of kindness.

We are living in a self-serving, self-centered, and self-obsessed modern-day rushrush society filled with negativity and constant tearing down of others. If you want to make a difference in this world, be people-oriented and start to focus on building others up. Created as relational beings, it's our greatest privilege to enjoy companionship with the people who truly matter in our lives. How can you then be a source of encouragement to your friends, family, and loved ones today?

- Esteem others higher.
- Be wise in your speech
- Be encouraging
- Be quick to forgive
- Engage in ZERO gossip.
- Be understanding—sympathetic and empathetic where necessary.
- Behumble
- Bepositive
- Share knowledge
- Love genuinely

Going one step further, visualize how and to whom you can build up and inspire changes for the better. Then work towards making that a reality. Continue encouraging and building one another up. And start seeing growth and advancements in your relationship with people and to the ones who truly matter to you today.



Today, I declare that others are rising by me. I receive a compassionate heart to reach and build someone, in Jesus Name. Amen!

In your career, business or place of work, look for someone you can help.



Job 17 – 20

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 name of Jesus. Amen.

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