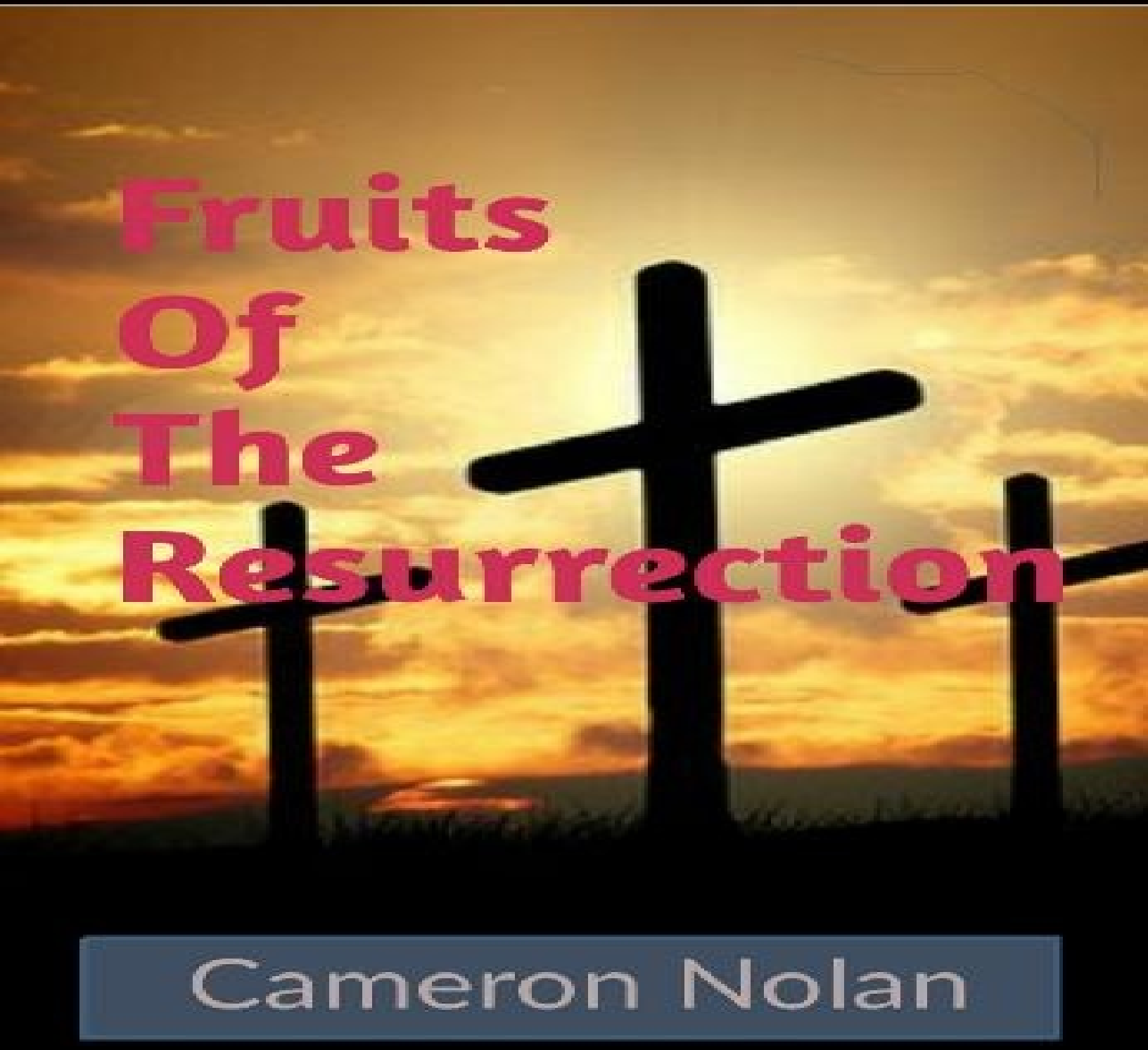

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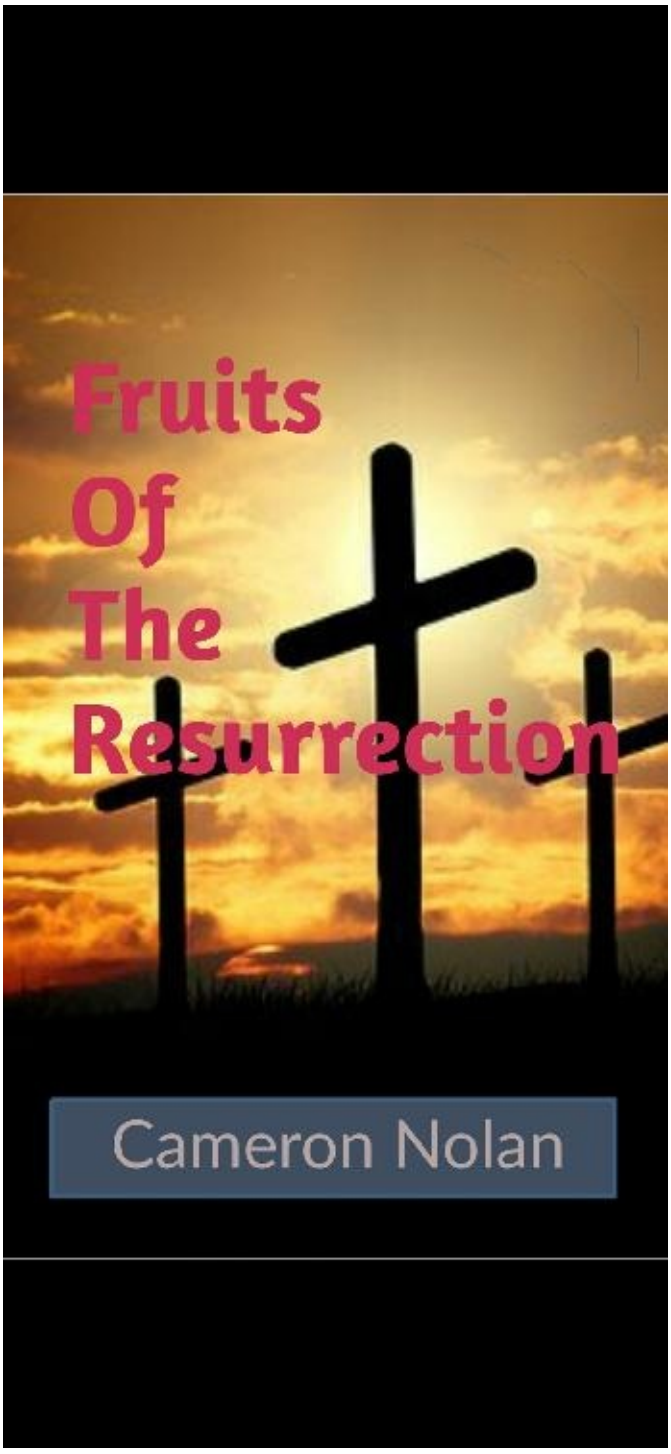
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INTRODUCTION

There are lots of spiritual benefits Christ has secured for us through his resurrection; these benefits are what we call the fruits of the resurrection. It is necessary as believers that we come to a realization of some of these wonderful promises Christ has left us, so we can fully live out the purpose by which Christ has called each one of us. The blessings that Christ has brought us by his death and resurrection is made open for us all, we can have access to the Father through Christ Jesus who came to bestow eternal life.

The resurrection of Christ is the most wonderful event that has taken place in the history of mankind, for what would be the hope of Christians if Christ has not risen from the dead? When Christ rose from the dead he went to the highest heavens and at the right-hand side of his father to make intercession for us and ensure that we enjoy the fruits and the benefit of the resurrection.

Among the various benefits or fruits, Christ has secured for us is the gift of the Holy Spirit; now Christ fondly called him "The Comforter" when he spoke about him to the apostles. Indeed the Holy Spirit is the great comforter, the greatest friend we can ever rely on when we need help; he has brought changes in the life of many believers. Look at the life of the apostles who were timid and exhausted, but when the comforter came he brought revival and restoration.

The resurrection of Christ has given us the privilege to be called sons and daughters of the God, for if we die with him, we would rise with him. Christ has called each one of us to a new life. A life in the spirit, we now become partakers in the heavenly bouquet even though we still put on the tent of the flesh.

The apostle Paul rightly quotes that "If the rulers of this world knew what they were doing, they would not have crucified the king of glory". Yes, this is very true because if they had known the power in the resurrection of Christ they would not have nailed him to the cross, the death and resurrection of Jesus have brought life and light to the human race. The windows of heaven are wide open and the glory and power and majesty of God the Father has come to us. For we now walk in the light of Christ.

CHAPTER ONE

Working by Faith in Christ

Faith is the assurance of that which we do not see if we as Christians place our beliefs on worldly affection then what differentiates us from the unbelievers? Christ wants us to work by faith in him, he wants us to look over to the heavens for there our true destiny lies. He has given us his word and he wants us to use it for our own spiritual profits. Do not neglect the word for there your blessings is secured, there lies your future. As Christians we live by faith and not by sight, Christ says if you have faith as small as the mustard seed you could say to the mountain move! And it will obey you. There are several mountains surrounding us as believers, the mountain of lack, the mountain of fear and anxiety; but Christ has assured us in his words that by faith we have authority over every fear and anxiety.

Let your hope be focused on Christ Jesus for he is the true Messiah who has come to bring life to our soul by the power of the resurrection.

Overcoming the World

The world is passing away, this is a consciousness fact every Christian must drive into their mind daily; remind yourself often that you are not of this world and that the spirit that dwells

in you comes from above. We have overcome the world for Christ has won the victory on the cross, he has taken away the burden of sin and death from us and has given us a new life, a life destined for eternal bliss.

The Light of Christ

Christ has called us to his own light and he expects that we radiate this light to our fellow brethren. The light of Christ has come to stay and darkness could not resist the light. Those who dwell in darkness would naturally run away from the light but we who are sons and daughters of God have come to embrace the light of Christ.

When God created the earth, the first thing he established was his radiant light and the light God established was so powerful that it sustained creation here on earth. Christ has come to establish a spiritual light among us, let this let radiate in what we do, let others see the light of the resurrection in us and come to embrace everlasting life for Christ has come to establish his kingdom among us and through us. We should key into this radiant light he has secured for us by his death and resurrection.

A Life of Purpose

All who are baptized in Christ Jesus is called to a life of purpose, for then there is no more distinction between Jews or Gentiles because we have been born into Christ and we are called to bear fruits of righteousness and peace.

The life of the resurrection that we live is a life of purpose, the Holy Spirit that dwells in us when we are baptized establishes his reign in us for he bears fruits in us and this makes us a privilege and purposeful people. Our goal as Christians is not tied to earthly or material gains instead our

purpose is tied to that which is eternal that last forever.

CHAPTER TWO

Establishment by the Spirit

Pentecost remains a remarkable event in Christendom because it was at Pentecost that the Holy Spirit came down mightily on the apostles and commissioned them for ministry. On that day there was such a large number of converts who were over 3000. Christ has initially promised his apostles after his resurrection that he would send the comforter to establish them for ministry, this promise he fulfilled on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came mightily on the apostles.

Since the establishment of the spirit, the body of Christ has grown rapidly all over the world. The fruit of the resurrection is the establishment of the power of the Holy Spirit who has come to reign among men.

Sealed by the Spirit of God

We have been sealed by the Holy Spirit for he dwells in us. To be sealed by the Holy Spirit means that he has placed his tag of ownership on us. The Holy Spirit has come to establish his domain among us his children and through him, we manifest the fruits of righteousness.

To be sealed by the Holy Spirit means that we have been baptized into the spirit that raised

Jesus from death such that we now move and act in the power of the resurrected Jesus.

Fruits of the Spirit

The spirit of God that dwells in us enables us to bear fruits; fruits of righteousness and holiness. The fruits of the spirit are evident in the life of a believer, Christ encourages that we should bear good fruits, and by the fruits, you can distinguish between true believers and false believers. The fruits of the Holy Spirit transform our lives and enable us to live a purpose driven life.

There are lots of virtues that the Holy Spirit bestows on the soul of the believer such as goodness, patience, kindness, brotherly love etc. We are called daily to live out the fruits of the spirit among those we come in contact with so they can give glory to God our maker.

Conquerors and Ambassadors

The resurrection of Christ has given us dominion over death, we now live a life of the resurrec tion, we are conquerors and death has no power over us because we now live for Christ. As God's children born of the spirit, we become ambassadors for Christ proclaiming the message of the good news to all nations. An ambassador bears fruits of the spirit which enables him to be more effective in carrying out the work of evangelization. As ambassadors for Christ, he has entrusted to us the mission to continue the good works he came to establish on earth.

CHAPTER THREE

Grace Filled Life

The grace-filled life is the new life Christ came to establish in his earthly ministry; however, this life came to a full manifestation after his resurrection and in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. The grace-filled life was very evident in the works of Christ when he healed all who were sick, cast out devils and proclaimed the message of salvation. The Pharisees based their lives on the Law of Moses, but Christ came to establish a new law, the law of the spirit. This new law is full of grace and mercy, it shows a whole new way of life and why Christ came not to do away with the Law of Moses but he came to show us in a whole new way.

As children of God, we are called to live out this grace-filled life among our families, colleagues and those we come in contact with. To further illustrate the grace-filled life; we would recall of a parable Christ gave about "Who is my Neighbor" according to this parable your neighbor is someone who needs your help not mindful of how close they are to you, this is the grace-filled life.

The grace-filled life is also a life of spiritual growth. We are called to live a holy life because the God we serve is holy.

By Grace not by Law

We live in the era of grace and not of the law, the law is targeted at revealing the human faults and weakness and sin but grace is targeted at revealing righteousness and mercy, the fruits of both are quite different. By the grace, there is forgiveness of sin but by law, there is punishment for sin and death. The woman caught in adultery sinned and was condemned by the law to be stoned to death but grace through Jesus Christ brought mercy and repentance "go and sin no more" The establishment of grace does not deny that there is no sin, but however attention is not focused on sin but on mercy that elevates us from sin and gives us another opportunity for repentance.

Grace gives us the freedom to freely express our selves as God desires that we should do. This was made known to the woman of Samaria at the well when Christ said that those who worship God must worship him in truth and in spirit. The death of Christ on the cross bestows grace upon us, for he took away our burden and in exchange, he gave us life. "I have come that you may have life in abundance" this is the life of grace Christ has come to establish.

By the Spirit not by the Flesh

Christ has given us his spirit, the spirit of life and abundance; the flesh is weak and manifests its desires on earthly things; the flesh is passing away and shows its work on things that do not last. The flesh leads to corruption and death. But Christ came to establish the spirit; he took the nature of the flesh and conquered it on the cross and brought life, a life in the spirit. This life focuses on that which is eternal and its fruits do last. The spirit leads to the eternal life that Christ has come to establish.

In the Eyes of Faith

Faith is a supernatural gift that transcends human understanding and wisdom. Christ came the establish faith among the children of God and for those that believed in him he gave them the power to become the sons and daughters of God. Faith takes us to a whole new level and enables us to know the mind and purpose for us his children; faith is a beautiful gift Christ came to establish among us his children.

Seeing in the eyes of faith means walking by faith and not by sight. We are put right with God not by our works but by faith in Christ the Messiah who has come to establish his kingdom among man.

Faith is futuristic, it enables us to see beyond our present circumstances and limitations and act in the mind of God to achieve a brighter future. Abraham is a perfect example of the expression of faith, for faith comes with obedience. And when God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac he did not disobey God for he saw in the eyes of faith that God has a plan for everything.

We must learn to trust God, we should like Abraham begin to see and walk in the eyes of faith. Faith is like a seed that God has given to each one of us; we must sow that seed and watch it grow.

CHAPTER FOUR

The Establishment of the Church

Among the mission of Christ ministry here on earth was the establishment of his body the church. The church is the true body of Christ with each one of us anchored in him in a unique way. He says "I am the vine and you are the branches." We are his body the church whether Jews or Gentiles.

To be part of the body of Christ is a privilege for us Christians and whoever is against us is indeed against Christ and whoever is for us is also for Christ. When Saul persecuted Christians he was actually persecuting Christ. This Christ made known to him on his way to Damascus.

Christ has come to establish his kingdom here on earth through his church; this was expressed much earlier in the lives of the early believers who gather together in prayers and in the breaking of bread.

Union in Prayer and Acts

As Christians we are called to unite in one accord, living a life of togetherness and prayer, this was what the early Christians stood for, they shared their belongings and when they discovered that there was a challenge with material

food, they had to attend to the needs of the community by choosing deacons to attend to the needs of the community.

We are called like the early Christians to live that life of unity and love so that the message of salvation and hope can grow and draw more converts to Christ.

No Distinction between Jews and Gentiles

All are called to participate in the divine bouquet; for we have all have drunk from the same spirit and filled with the Holy Ghost and power. In Christ Jesus, there is neither east nor west, no Jews no Gentiles for we are all called into one mission, one purpose, one body, one faith, and one baptism. We all are called to preach the good news and to show kindness to our brethren for this is the message of hope Christ has come to establish through us his disciples.

The Kingdom of Christ is Established

Christ reign is established, he said in the Lord's Prayer "Thy kingdom come" this kingdom Christ has brought among us his children. What is your contribution to this kingdom? Remember he has given you a task, a task to proclaim the message of salvation and hope by your words or by your actions; the parable of the talents is a perfect example that Christ has given us a task and a mission; ensure you play your role.

Conclusion

I believe you have been blessed by the message of hope and motivation in this book. Also, I congratulate you that the blessings of God have been established in your life.

Thank you so much for reading this book; and I also request that you encourage your loved ones to get this book and be part of the blessings.

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