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PREFACE

Emergency doesn’t come to play only when situations are hard and bad. Emergency plays vital role as well when things are good or when open door is expected. Such time demands for planning, brainstorming, decision making or when proper execution of idea is to be taken. Emergency step can be taken by self or on behalf of others. Individuals, organization and Government take emergency measures to save situation or address plights of citizenry. Above all, emergency is used to address challenges at hand.

Emergency is a strong instrument that influence the way we think, the way we live our life; the way we communicate; the way we socialize; the way we conduct business; and the way we worship and pray. It is good to weigh both positive and negatives at hand so that method of implementation may accrue incremental net benefits.

In time of emergency we expect someone or our heavenly father to speak sweetly to our bruised and bleeding souls. We want to see radiant face with light and hope. We are desperate in need of help. By now, we have walked under starless skies that dripped darkness like drenching rain. Emergency signaled lost hope, we shout. The sullen blackness glommed above us as if it would last forever. Out of the dark there speaks no soothing voice to mend our broken hearts. We would have welcome sweet voice that sooths us to overcome fears and pains we may pass through. This period is emergency time.

You can imagine when first affliction comes upon us, how everything gives way. It is first shock. Our hopes are snapped, and our heart lies prostrate like a vine that the storm has torn from its root. But when the first shock is past, and we are able to look up, and say, “It is the Lord”, faith leads the shattered hopes once more, and binds them fast to the feet of God. Thus, the end is confidence, safety and peace.

The tests of life are to make, not break us. God gets his best soldiers out of the highlands of affliction. It is when in the midst of affliction, we cry and call it emergency time. We often forget, trouble may demolish a man’s business, but build up his character. The blow of the outward man may be the greatest blessing to the inner man. Don’t be discouraged, you are hero/heroines on the making. God deals with impossibilities. He can reverse situation, when reserves turn to dust.

The world has many opportunities and barriers. Some makes us laugh, some makes us cry. There are some human experiences that become part of us, either for good part of it or otherwise. When one look at the history of Israelites from slavery to exodus; to the Promised Land flowing with milk and honey, much can be deduced.

The march of men is like the march of children of Israel to the Promised Land. Their way was beset with obstacles. Some were geographical, like the Red Sea which barred their path. Some were military, in the form of hostile tribes whose land they need to cross. Some were self-inflicted, through their own rebellious acts, doubts and unbelief. Above all, the greatest of it all was the unfriendly wilderness, the hot and barren land they have to journey through. All these, brought the face to face with emergency.

God is in His Holy Temple; let all the earth keep silence and come before Him. When you call God's emergency phone numbers, he will listen and address your issues. He is ever ready to acknowledge it with interest, because He knows you call him, and knows you don't want to be destroyed in your own way. Thus, emergency number is available to strengthen and put things right.

There is spiritual warfare raging. Today, we live in the cloud and stand upon the verge of the unknown. It is time we apply emergency zeal to table our matter before God, than look elsewhere. We must not abandon our faith, we must not abandon God in time of emergency, or else, we shall be abandoned into Satan's hand. Rather than fold arms we must renew our bids and strength to fall back on track and meet emergencies as they arise.

We should rely on God and believe in Jesus. Through waves, and clouds and storms, He gently clears the way.

God bless you as you read on.

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We must not fold arms in the midst of battle. The life is battle itself. We need to pray and cancel decisions of darkness against us. We are born to win not to lose. Many times we lose out because we don't know how to pray or go about challenges we face.

Also, you must know how to claim and retain what God gives you, called destiny. You must not be robbed!

Brethren, your case is not close until you decide to close it. Don't give up, fight on in faith, you are born to win. Be violent in prayer. The degree of your violence in prayer determines the victory that awaits you. It is time you count spoils not loss, triumph not defeat.

I have some free books for you to put fire to your prayer zeal. Pick them and inform others. Try and share your experience with five to ten people. You may be the one God sent. Don't leave them outside prayer war room.

Be your brother/sister keeper. Good-luck



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CHAPTER ONE

GENERAL EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER … CALL JEREMIAH 33:3

Prayer of emergency has no value if God do not give ear to petitions we make. Our petition must be registered and sealed in heaven for possible answer. To achieve this, we must apply right phone number that brings down the hands of God for answer.

The general emergency phone number of God is Jeremiah 33:3, where God said, **“Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knoweth not”.** It is fantastic to know what to do at critical time. God is ready all the time to listen and answer our petition.

Most times we lose out because of our weak approach to God. We show all manner of laziness and at times fail to feast with the Lord in prayer and in praises. A life of ease and spiritual blindness take us away.

Emergency phone call is, speaking to God in prayer for urgent attention. Without prayer we are spiritually naked. Prayer is a matter of spiritual life and death. It is not so much knowing how to pray, but taking time to do it.

When you do it with might and clarity of mind, it is addressed fast. At this point spiritual blindness disappears as deep understanding of heaven is revealed. The more clearly you see the spiritual realm, the more you will pray. Prayer puts us in touch with the spiritual dimension and releases the power of God.

Many are critical of emergency as they felt helpless in the hurricane of trouble. They felt as if life is falling apart. It is time we rise to situation. Emergency doesn’t mean we are in the rush to receive answer. It means God answering us

quickly according to right prayers made at the right time. Emergency prayer is never a hundred meter race. God can answer quickly than any hundred meter record ever set by man. He is quick to answer depending how we call him.

In time of emergency, be ready for way and manner to do it. Emergency prayer is a serious battle for the serious mind. It is a red alert to put on the whole armour of God. Anyone going into battle must understand the need of proper weapon and armour. To be equipped is one thing; the manner to use them is another. A soldier not trained in the use of armoury shall end up woefully.

Don’t drag legs on the floor, nor entertain close mouth. Emergency time doesn’t connote sadness as such. It is a time that wakens the mind for action. It tells you to take action and call upon the Lord for surprise, miracle, signs and wonders. Such time calls you into duel with Satan in prayer and supplication; in praise and in songs. When you praise God and go into prayer in the midst of calamity, Satan is done for. With prayer you open windows, gates and doors of heaven for answer.

Our great undoing is we often wait for evil day before we take action. This is a spiritual fatal dose. We should put on the whole armour daily, so that when Satan and his agents see us, they fright. If we don’t place the whole armour there will be places left open in our lives where the devil can come in to destroy us. What good is it, to lock all windows when the front door is left open?, or lock front door while windows are left open? There is danger doing so. When we put on the whole armour, things become easy. Battle is fought with ease; powers are conquered with ease; while recovery becomes simple.

With sound spiritual technique, we become strong against attacks. When evil comes against our marriage, we are strong. When evil comes against our career we become strong, when evil come against our children, it meets us strong. Why?, because we put on the whole armour of God.

God told us to fight; He provided us with the tools we would need to win the battle. The tools include, prayer, praises, sincerity of purpose, non-indulgence in sin, braveness, trust in the Lord etc. Hence, we need to use these tools for them to work. If we don't have our armour on, we are easy prey for Satan.

One major instrument of grace in time of emergency is to ask for favour. When you seek and see the face of God, those who forsake and hate you will accept you. When God favours you, good doors shall open while enemies will turn to friends; dark arrows will melt, while joy will feel your heart. Divine favour makes you suck the milk of nations and build wealth. When God favours you, your story will suddenly change as gold shall replace silver in your life.

Emergency cry sometimes bring unmerited favour. It is when God answers you far above what you bargain for. It will be in the like of Isaiah 65:1 that says, **"I reveal myself to those who did not ask for me, I was found by those who did not ask for me, I was found by those who did not seek me. To a nation that did not call on my name. I said, 'here am I, here am I"** This is special favour of God. He favours you without clamoring for it.

In time of emergency prayer, dark arrows break, instruments of death become obsolete and useless, evil covenants break, wicked arrows return to sender, while dark powers die before you know it.

Alas, pit of darkness level up while violence of men and women are silenced. All these become things of the past as laughter and joy take over your life.

It is a tragedy to sit in the seat of mockers when you are expected to speak your matter with God. People you discuss with may not be of help. Rather think right and lay everything before God. Think and pray how fetters and chains of darkness can be broken. Think how you can enlarge your coast.

The question is, at what point do we envisage the use of emergency number of God? It happens:

When the heathen rage at us
When people imagine evil at us
When we decide to break bounds of the enemy
When in distress, not knowing what to do
When we put trust in God
When we experience closed heaven
When we are weary with groan
When our eyes are consumed with grief
When we want enemies to be in shame
When we seek heavenly deliverance

It is pertinent to ask at this junction, what happens, when one applies right emergency phone number of God? The fact is:

When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, heaven will open for your sake.
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, light of righteousness will shine upon you.
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, the lamp of the wicked shall be snuffed
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, disasters will flee and disappear by fire
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, your heart is kept far from sin
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, you shall keep far from the use of dishonest scale to achieve result.
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, closed doors will open by fire
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, wealth will change hands in your favour

When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, you shall walk upright without fear.
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, the rod of the wicked shall become useless
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, powers of darkness shall not hold you captive
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, your heart shall be at peace
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, your testimony shall manifest
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, your name shall be registered in heaven
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, your foes are silenced
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, you shall be saved from chains of darkness
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, helpers shall locate you by fire
When you apply the right emergency phone call of God, heaven shall acquit you of every condemnation

Be vigilant with your Christian life. Equip yourself with the Word and be a prayer warrior. In the act of prayer:

Pray to God not to desert you.
Pray to God to give you listening ear
Pray to God to defend your home against storms of life
Pray to God to silence marine powers assign against you
Pray to God to break yokes of darkness fashion against your destiny
Pray to God to break every form of dark arrow assign against you
Pray to God to break covenant of darkness in your life

Pray to God to defend your destiny against wicked arrow
Pray to God to fertilize your field for good harvest
Pray to God to take forbidden food from your mouth
Pray to God to cut pride in your life
Pray to God to proclaim peace upon you
Pray to God to let every storm be still
Pray to God to silence every act of diviners against you
Pray to God to heal you of every form of injury
Pray to God to teach you his way
Pray to God to provide you with silver and gold that promote life
Pray to God to make you the head and not the tail
Pray to God to make you partake at heavenly feast
Pray to God to lead your steps right
Pray, I say pray for the good eyes of the Lord
Pray for the soundness of your heart
Pray for unlimited resources and treasure
Pray for the glory that outshines others
Pray for spirit of understanding and wisdom

When you pray, you must act like soldier of Christ that takes no nonsense, that ward off evil and stand firm against works of darkness. Therefore you should:-

Pray against powers that trouble the soul
Pray against powers of oppression
Pray against dark power assign to pull you down
Pray against drinker of blood in the spirit
Pray against wicked pronouncement fashion against you
Pray against covenant of darkness
Pray against spirit spouse harassing you sexually
Pray against powers of unfriendly friends

Pray against spirit of devourer that devour life and property
Pray against spirit of iniquity that darkens life
Pray against spirit of rebellion
Pray against spirit of sudden death
Pray against fortified walls of darkness against you
Pray against powers that make home desolate

The Lord is ever ready waiting for your call. He is the infinite mercy God that knows the beginning to the ending. His mercy endureth forever. He is ever ready to listen and take up our petition.

Whenever the phone rings in heaven, he gives us listening ear. Be on guard for exploits, in as much as the sheep knows its owner, and the ass its master is crib, the Lord Almighty shall know and accept you. Amen.

SCIENTIFIC SCHOOL OF THOUGHT

Emergency prayer can be likened to hunger of critical time. Hunger is a wonderful thing, it gives life. It is the body's built in alarm that says, "It is time to eat". Hunger is what makes you not to forget to eat; we might even starve to death.

This is time to pray emergency prayer and apply right emergency phone number of God. It is time to feed in the Word and turn it to prayer. Inability to feed in the Word can lead to loss of appetite, which may become progressive and even terminal, as in kwashiorkor. These are times for discipline, for forced feeding in the Word to overcome all contingencies. Daily Bible reading and prayer, and fellowship in God's house will tide us through. As we read and pray, the Lord Almighty shall meet our emergency needs. Amen

Avoid spiritual kwashiorkor, a condition where you starve of spiritual upliftment.

The science meaning is to suffer or develop a severe protein deficiency. In spirit, learn to pray, read the Word, attend church service to buttress your understanding in the Word; or else you suffer spiritual kwashiorkor. The more you pray the better, as short-term reserves turn to spiritual long term reserves.

We must get ready in time of emergency, either to still for a while and take action later, or out rightly take action now. In emergency, be ready to apply the Word. The Word you know helps a lot to diagnose challenges at hand. Apply the Word as reserves in the body.

In the physical, the body has plenty of reserves of food stored in the liver and elsewhere. We're not in danger of starvation when the body needs food it gets ready for it. The sense of hunger gets things moving. Glands in the mouth begin to secrete saliva; the stomach gets juice ready and beginning to practice digestive movement. In all, when you feed in the Word all the time you become strong and stronger.

Protein is good for growth. To read and quote the Bible, encouraged by texts and promises from the Bible helps us for the movement. But for steady growth we need to read the context of those passages and realize that promises are made to specific people and types of people, and that they carry conditions. Scripture calls us to action and to change the priorities in our life. It is by meditating on these deeper realities of our faith that we begin to absorb protein from Bible study and then are able to grow.

In time of emergency let your appetite stimulate to the Word for a good taste. Let the spiritual saliva flow again for wonders in feeling as God's Word become relevant to our felt need.

The book of Psalms 107:4-6 says **"They wondered in the wilderness in a**

solitary way, they found no city to dwell in. hungry and thirsty their soul fainted in them. They cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distress" The children of Israel cried unto God in their trouble meaning they face emergency need. In the midst of it, God answered them.

In the light of this, I pray, your distress shall be over. Whatever seems impossible for you shall be possible. The door of greatness, you think is close against you shall open by fire. Every scar in you shall turn to stars.

God bless you. Amen

PRAYER POINTS

1. Any power that lay ambush in order to devour me, die in your ambush in the name of Jesus
2. Double fire, double thunder, locate my enemies and kill them in the name of Jesus
3. Hammer of God; break to pieces the head of my enemies in the name of Jesus
4. Any power of my father's house, after my life summersault and die in the name of Jesus
5. Any power of my mother's house, after my life summersault and die in the name of Jesus
6. Any power of my in-law's house, after my life summersault and die in the name of Jesus
7. Spirit of Pharaoh that makes me a slave in the spirit die in the name of Jesus
8. Holy agenda of God open new chapter in my life today in the name of Jesus
9. My enemies shall not feed me in the name of Jesus.
10. Dark powers assign to arrest me die in the name of Jesus.
11. Fire bullet from heavenly, locate the unprotected head of enemies in the name of Jesus
12. Every mountain assign to destroy me scatter in the name of Jesus

13. Goliath of my life die by fire in the name of Jesus
14. Thou Hamman pursuing my Modecia die by fire in the name of Jesus
15. Thou Jezebel pursuing my Elijah die by fire in the name of Jesus
16. Thunder of God destroy stronghold holding me captive in the name of Jesus
17. I slaughter witchcraft animal that swallow my virtue in the name of Jesus
18. O Lord my God envelope me with heavenly bullet proof in the name of Jesus
19. No mountain shall arise second in my life in the name of Jesus
20. I shall not live a sorrowful life in the name of Jesus.
21. Satanic pollution against my destiny disappear in the name of Jesus
22. My career shall not scatter in the name of Jesus
23. My destiny shall not scatter in the name of Jesus
24. My marriage shall not scatter in the name of Jesus
25. Satanic pollution against my destiny disappear in the name of Jesus
26. My helpers shall not die before they locate me in the name of Jesus
27. Where is the Lord God of Elijah, kill every affliction in my life in the name of Jesus
28. Bank of darkness assign to liquidate me catch fire and roast to ashes in the name of Jesus
29. Every cage assign to control my destiny break to pieces in the name of Jesus
30. Every territorial bondage break by fire in the name of Jesus
31. Every river of darkness flowing into my life dry by fire in the name of Jesus

CHAPTER TWO

WHEN GOD SEEMS FAR AWAY…CALL PSALM 139

In time of emergency, God seems far away from our calls; as if He looks elsewhere. Our acts speak volume to portray it. Emergency time connotes acid test of faith, behaviour or what we do. As situation turns hard and becomes almost impossible to move forward in life, negative dividend fall at our laps, making everything look strange.

Most Christians waste away during emergency time. They refuse to stand on watchtower to catch the far-off indication of warning or help. There is no waiting on God, without watchful expectation on our part. We get but little when there is no alert for its coming. We should watch for God in the event of life.

Humble yourself before God to get result. Don't question God, in respect of any position you find yourself. Submit yourself to God for thorough search and accept blame without question. God forms you in your mother's womb, he knows you more than you do. He knows your biological chemistry in and out. What you call strength may be your weakness and what you call weakness may be your strength. He is the One, who can interpret your action and doing. When you act against His wish, He looks elsewhere, and He becomes far away. Read Psalm 139 again.

There are steps you take when God seems far away. First and foremost, be involved in prayer. Effective prayer emerges naturally as you seek deep relationship with Christ. As you come to know him better, he shows what your enemy is really like and he trains you to fight and defeat Satan and his agents. God always look for believers who don't want just to sing about the Christian warfare but who want to be involved in it. Sadly, the truth is that many of us

want our Christianity to be easy. We prefer to remain in the barracks, away from the noise of battle, listening only to joyful Christian music on tapes and avoiding the challenge, agony and excitement of serious prayer in this type of situation. How will God not seem far away?

Prayer is a strong instrument to draw God close to you. Prayer is oxygen of life. A prayer less man wouldn't have spiritual air to breath, making him dead in the spirit. Prayer is good, but is often the first step that is hardest to take. It is difficult to step out of old ways into an adventure in prayer. When God seems far away you should bring him close in prayer. Really, fellowship with God won't come easy or without struggle, but will come if we are patient. In time of emergency, patience is needed as well. We are born as mortal men and women. We'll rise and fall in the water as Peter did, but with Jesus there to catch us when we're sinking, there is no better or more exciting place to be.

It is real business to trade with God. How you equip yourself matter before God. Unless you put out your water yarns when it rains you will catch no water. Our heavenly father would have us do real business with him in our praying.

You capture the day in early hour of the day, through morning watch. The men who have done the most for God in this world have been early upon their knees, doing his will, which did not make God far away.

Matthew Henry used to be on his study at four in the morning, and remain their till eight; then, after breakfast and family prayer, he would be there again till noon, after dinner, he resume his book or pen till four in the evening, and spend the rest of the day in visiting friends! At last he wrote Bible with deep concordance.

You must not face the day until you have faced God, or look into the face of

others until you have look into God's eye. **Dr. Adam Clark's** commentary was chiefly prepared very early in the morning. He does work of God and look into his eyes early in the morning. **Borneo'** s popular and useful "commentary" has been also the fruit of "early morning hours". You cannot expect to be victorious, if the day begins only in your strength. Start everyday with the influence of a few thoughtful, quiet moments with your heart and God. Do not meet other people, even those of your own home, until you have first met the great guest and honoured companion of your life, Jesus Christ of Nazareth. By this, he will not be far from you.

Be aggressive in prayer at all times. When a particular prayer is not answered immediately, we give up praying altogether and decide that God will sort it out without our help. We don't seem to be prepared to pray much more than two or three times about difficult situation or problem, let alone fast over it. When God places us in hard situations or found our self in one, he knows what he is doing; only waiting to see our reaction to them. God is watching. Are we going to give up after offering two or three prayers or go on and, if necessary, become involve in a fierce prayer battle? You can be more than a conqueror through him who loved us.

A CASE STUDY

There was this sister who was single at the age, 38 years. She was in this condition for years thinking things will change. Year after year, it was the same story. No man came to her for marriage. It was when she clocked 38 years, she discovered my book titled **Prayer for singles** ; she prayed with the book for seve days and stop, waiting for answer.

After, three months she dropped the book, she saw no man forthcoming. It was at this point she called me and complained she used the book as prescribed but

no man showed up. I told her, the seven days prescribed for prayer is just the beginning of all battles at hand. She should pray with the book nonstop until she marries.

I said, “Pray with it for seven days, have three days break, pray again for seven days in the day if you are on night shift and if not, let it be vigil all through; again have a rest of three days. Let this continue for as long as men keep coming, then pick your choice, not in carnal but in spirit”.

This sister prayed violently with the book having three days break at intervals. She did it for six consecutive months and miracle happened! What was the miracle? Five different proposals came to her for marriage. These men were OK in education and finance. When she called again, I said pray, tell God to single out the bone of your bone and the flesh of your flesh among them. In her dream, she saw one of them wearing a dress and a pair of shoe to match, in the same manner she dressed. Among the other four one held cane chasing her around, two wore red cloth holding sharp knife point it at her as if to harm her while the last one was like a dwarf.

When she phoned for its interpretation, I said this is a direct dream. Pick the man that dressed in the same dress and shoe with you in the dream. She did and today she is happily married.

The point is this, when you are told to do night vigil for three days, seven days, twelve days, fifteen days or any stipulated time, it doesn’t mean you should stop praying or relax. The days stipulated is just an eye opener. You should continue in prayer until you receive answer.

With prayer, emergency vanishes within seconds. A distant God appears and become close companion in everything you do. You begin to understand and

experience the abundance Jesus offers us. You become emotionally strong and transformed as God accepts you with all your weakness.

It is pathetic that trouble comes in chains when God seems far away. At times, we lose direction and control; our mind flies; become disjointed, unfocused and troubled. What then are the signs that tell us God is far away? The following can be a tip in the ice bag.

When God seems far away, helpers are scarce
When God seems far away, open heaven becomes a mirage
When God seems far away, loses are incurred
When God seems far away, frustration sets in
When God seems far away, victims are battered with afflictions
When God seems far away, the Word is strange to us
When God seems far away, victims are caged by enemies
When God seems far away, light turns to darkness
When God seems far away, prayerlessness sets in
When God seems far away, victims become mincemeat in the mouth of the enemy
When God seems far away, wisdom eludes victims.
When God seems far away, hopeless situation sets in
When God seems far away, faith diminishes.
When God seems far away, evil plantations multiply
When God seems far away, victims are surrounded by the enemy

In other to avoid negatives when God seems far away, it is good to know the cause of God's absence in us. By this, we can simply ask, why should God be far away from me? It can happen in any of the following situation.

When we disobey his commandment: King Saul disobeyed God's instruction

and became insane. He lost his throne, and eventually died unhonoured. Disobedience is rebellion, and rebellion is witchcraft. Hence, no witchcraft can see the face of God.

When your hands are full of blood: The psalmist cried out, don't answer them Lord, their hands are full of blood. It is a warning that God shall look elsewhere, if our hand is full of blood.

God will be far away, when we swim in sin. We are mostly controlled by flesh, but we must strive to overcome it and pray for forgiveness, rather than eat and swim in it. The Lord can bring you low before him and impress on you that in your own strength you could do nothing. When you ask the spirit to guide you, he may make you aware of sins in your present.

God seems far away when we are prayer less. Prayer draws hands of God down, while prayerlessness distances him from us.

God seems far away when we apply carnal wisdom to divine wisdom. Solomon asks for wisdom to rule Israel, and he is called the wise king.

God seems far away when we distance ourselves from the Word. When you pick and read the Bible with understanding, the Bible which is dead for so long, begin to speak to you and you discover that you could actually enjoy praying. You are close to him; the Almighty God.

The book of Psalm 139 makes us to realize that God is no time far from us, but we do. He knows when we sit or rise, he knows our thought all through from heart. He knit us together in our mother's womb and 'manufactures' us.

Wherever we are, he sees us. In the far, inside of the sea, he sees us. In the thick

dark, he glaringly sees us as when in the light. Our frame is not hidden from him.

He has for us, good thought that outnumber the grains of the sand. As good this might be, verses 23 and 24, summaries the scale of God for us. Base on this, He is either close to us or far from us.

Verse 23; **“Search me, O God, and know my heart, test me and know my anxious thoughts”**

Verse 24; **“See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting”**

Your ways of life matter to God. You are weighed and judged by your actions and words. You can sail through in life, if you allow Holy Spirit to dwell in you, and control your thought and did. At this point, God is not far away.

Hence, I pray, God shall not close his eyes at you or forsake you. Amen.

The Holy Bible tells us what to do and how to go about it to draw God’s attention to us. To achieve this, strive to build good relationship with God through dedication, devotion, love and reverencing the Lord. Let’s look at a number of ways to achieve this.

We are to love the Lord with all our heart. **“Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart and with all thy soul, and with all thy might”** Deuteronomy 6:5

Let your soul thirst for God. **“As the deer panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God, my soul thirsteth for God”** Psalm 42:1.

You should greatly desire God. **“My soul followeth hard after thee”** Psalm 63:8

You are to desire God above all else. **“Whom have I in heaven but thee? And there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee”** Psalm 73:25

You are to worship Jesus as you worship God. **“That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the father”** John 5:23

You must show your love for the Lord, by loving and obeying his word. **“I esteemed (God’s) words more than my necessary food”** Job 23:12

You must worship him in prayer. **“Thou art my God; early will I seek thee to see thy power and thy glory”** Psalm 63:1-4.

We must love one another. **“In as much as ye have done it unto me”** Matthew 25:40.

We must listen to God’s voice. **“If he call thee… say, “Speak, Lord; for thy servant hearth”** 1 Samuel 3:9-10

Honour and obey God more than man. **“We ought to obey God rather than man”** Acts 5:29

Speak heavenly things; don’t be overly attached to earthly things. **“Lay up for yourselves treasure in Heaven… for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also”** Matthew 6:20-21

We must fear God. **“What doth the Lord require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God”** Deuteronomy 10:12

Cast your burden and worries on the Lord, and believe He shall solve them. **“Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee”** Psalm 55:22

To do this have quiet time with God, He shall be close to you, and listen to you. May God bless you and forever more. Amen

PRAYER POINTS

1. My father, my father, don’t be far from me, hold me to yourself in the name of Jesus.
2. Thou eyes of the Lord, depart not from me, in the name of Jesus.
3. O Lord, let your search light locate me to your side by fire in the name of Jesus.
4. O Lord, you are Divine Auditor, audit me and erase deficiency in me in the name of Jesus.
5. Anytime I sit, my God shall be with me in the name of Jesus.
6. Anytime I rise my God shall be with me in the name of Jesus.
7. Lord Jesus, design my going out and my lying down in the name of Jesus.
8. Lord Jesus, lay hand of deliverance upon me in the name of Jesus.
9. Any power holding me back from the Holy Spirit, die in the name of Jesus.
10. Thou cloud of darkness assign to swallow my destiny, clear away in the name of Jesus.
11. Every arrow fired against me, while in my mother’s womb, backfire in the name of Jesus.
12. I was fearfully and wonderfully made!, therefore, I shall excel in the name of Jesus.
13. Wonders of God shall not depart from me in the name of Jesus.
14. I was woven together by God; therefore sword of darkness shall not cut me to pieces, in the name of Jesus.
15. I shall fulfill all the days ordained for me by God in the name of Jesus.

16. O Lord, slay the wicked assign against me in the name of Jesus.
17. Thou blood thirsty forces, drink your own blood and die in the name of Jesus.
18. Every evil intention against me, scatter, in the name of Jesus.
19. O Lord, let my name seize in the mouth of my adversaries in the name of Jesus.
20. Powers that lure one to sin die in the name of Jesus.
21. O Lord, make me hate what you hate in the name of Jesus.
22. Any power that rise up against me shall die in the name of Jesus.
23. Every offensive step in me scatter, in the name of Jesus
24. My glory, arise and shine in the name of Jesus.
25. Watchtower of God, appear for my promotion in the name of Jesus.
26. Divine alert, to seek and find God in me, sound loud, in the name of Jesus.
27. Instruments of prayer in my life come alive in the name of Jesus.
28. Lord Jesus, don’t be far away from me in the name of Jesus.
29. I step out of my old ways and find Jesus in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER THREE

WHEN MEN FAIL YOU…CALL PSALM 27

Failure of men is as old as history. Adam and Eve failed God in the Garden of Eden, Cain failed to love his only brother Abel; Judas Iscariot failed Jesus when he betrayed him. Many marriages fail as a result of suspicion, infidelity, and betrayal etc. Human beings fail God, day in day out. Failure of men is indices of life style.

The highest indices of men's failure lay with our leaders. Most times leaders mold or affect destiny of the ruled. Parental mold and responsibility on children in the long run define the acts and policies of government. When government comes up with idea, it either affects the populace positively or otherwise. When such effect is negative; it turns out as large scale failure in the lives of the populace.

The only antidote is to trust in God, not men. When adverse winds blow against us, men may fail us. It is like when mind is possessed with great tempest of doubt and fear, when heart sinks beneath the wave. At such point, it seems all hope is lost and none could save; plans seem not to work out while heart is full of strife. But then, he arose and there was calm, filled with his grace. It is **THE LORD.**

At what point can it be said, men fail us? What are the yardsticks at hand to confirm it? What is the best way to define it? Below are situations that describe when men fail us.

Men are said to fail us, when they speak cordially with us but harbor malice in their heart. They laugh and chat with one, but are dangerously waiting for

opportunity to strike. When they strike you feel disturbed, cheated and wounded. They are so friendly, yet they are enemies.

Men fail us when we are afflicted beyond expectation, crying, “Why me, what have I done to merit all these”

Men fail us when we expect praises to be showered on us, of job well done, but receive ridicule instead. They pay back bad for the good we did. They castigate us and make mockery of us. Sometimes they call us fool which makes us dumbfounded.

Men are said to fail us, when people you count on their support gang up to oppose you. Hence, you become demoralize, confuse and battered. What more? They come as witnesses against you and question nothing you know about.

Men are said to fail you, when you expect to be exalted, you are ridiculed. Instead of praises, it is ridicule you are paid with.

Men are said to fail you, when you are denied inheritance or right, as a result of oppression, tribal, and or, racial discrimination.

Men are said to fail you when helps fail to come. People you rely on suddenly turn their back at you.

Men seem to fail you when your talent wastes away. All efforts you put in place are not recognized.

Men are said to fail you, when they don’t intercede for you. It is as if you are a lone ranger. Everyone frowns at you or at the mention of your name, you seem unprotected of trouble and as if surrounded by enemies.

Men are said to fail you, when you are ordered to shut up at the point you want to sing a new song or dance a new dance of glory.

Men are said to fail you, when you lose out at the edge of breakthrough as a result of attack.

Men are said to fail you, when your plans fail or thwarted. It is as if your prayer return to you void.

Men are said to fail you, when you are mocked without reason. They become enemy without cause and hate you without reason. They devise false accusation against you to pull you down.

Generally, when men fail us, it pains us as we feel dejected. But one thing we should understand is, nothing that is not of God's will come into the life of one who trusts and obey God. This fact is enough to make you cheerful and happy in the Lord. God's will for us is hope and gladness if we surrender and believe in him.

At this point, take your matter to God who doesn't fail in his promise. He made promise with father Abraham and fulfilled it. He made promise with Jacob and fulfilled it. He stood firm by Moses even at point of frustration and dejection. He supported and increased David's faith in him. With God is majority. Fear him, reverence him and you shall excel.

The Bible says… " **The eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love** " Psalm 33:18

Our Lord is good, he never fails. **"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and**

saves those who are crushed in Spirit" Psalm 34:18. No matter the troubles, God shall deliver you from them all. No one is condemned who takes refuge in the Lord.

When you delight in the Lord, he will give you the desire of your heart. You may have been frustrated for so long, don't lose hope. Even when disaster seems far away, it shall not come near you. Very soon, famine shall turn to plenty. Live a righteous life and reap fruitfulness. The Bible says, **"I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging for bread"** Psalm 37:25

In every situation build faith like father Abraham. When he was childless for years, faith never left him. Attacks from men never distracted him from fellowship with God. His faith was much. But how can we define Abraham's faith? Abraham believed God, and said to sight, "Stand back" and to the laws of nature, "Hold your peace" and to a misgiving heart, "Silence, thou lying tempter" He believed in God. Brethren, learn to believe in God.

Therefore brethren, when men fail you, run to God and hide in the shelter of his greatness. In his shelter failure is not recorded. He will not reject you or forsake you.

There are **three major instruments** you can adopt or use when men fail you. Instead of marching and quick marching, it is good to apply a wait power. The wait power is in three phase:

Wait in prayer: To do this, call upon God and spread the case before him, tell him your difficulty, and plead his promise of aid.

Wait in faith: Express solid confidence in the Lord. Believe that if he keeps you

tarrying even till midnight, yet he will come at the right time, the vision shall come, and shall not tarry.

Wait in quiet patience: Don't ever murmur against sudden occurrence you think is not favourable, as the children of Israel murmured against Moses. Accept the situation as it is, and put it as it stand, and with your whole heart. Let the situation be, 'Not my will, but thy will be done'. When he does his will, miracle is harvested.

Brethren, have patience even when your good is spoken evil of, when your wishes are crossed, when your taste is offended, and your advice disregarded.

When men fail you, don't retaliate with strife, envy or use of carnal power, rather play maturity. **"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man can see the Lord"** Hebrew 12:14

It is impossible to walk with men without having friction, misunderstanding, or quarrel, but one must have spirit of forgiveness and tolerance as said by Jesus to Peter in the book of Matthew 18:21-22. **"Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Till seven times? Jesus said unto him, I say not unto thee, until seven times; but, until seventy times seven.**

We need divine intervention and grace to forgive. Forgiveness is easy, it comes only through sacrifice. You must give up something on yourself via anger, thirst for vengeance, humiliation, pride etc. in order to forgive. The book of Colossian 3:13 says it all. **"Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you".**

Be at peace with one another. **"Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be**

called the children of God" Matthew 5:9. Peace is something you have to work on. You have to take the initiative. **"God himself laid good example. He was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself** " 2 Corinthians 5:19.

Above all, I pray that the Lord shall rescue you from those too strong for you. Amen.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Every opposition against me scatter in the name of Jesus.
2. Garment of failure in my body, I pull you off in the name of Jesus.
3. Mark of failure in my body be cleansed with blood of Jesus.
4. Those that speak cordially with me but harbour malice in the act against me quit my life, in the name of Jesus.
5. Those that laugh and chat with me but dangerously waiting for opportunity to strike, quit my life, in the name of Jesus.
6. Every unfriendly friend in my life, be exposed and be disgraced in the name of Jesus.
7. Every arrow fired against me, back fire and consume the sender, in the name of Jesus.
8. Every complain in my life, receive positive answer in the name of Jesus.
9. Those that sit on seat of mockers, be unseated in the name of Jesus.
10. Those that call me names to ridicule me, be disappointed in the name of Jesus.
11. My exalted position, appear and favor me in the name of Jesus.
12. Dark powers oppressing me die in the name of Jesus.
13. Every discrimination against me expire in the name of Jesus.
14. Wasters of destiny after my life, be wasted in the name of Jesus.
15. Helpers of my destiny, appear in the name of Jesus.
16. Every wall standing between me and my breakthrough be pulled down in the name of Jesus.

17. Roof of protection upon my life, appear and protect me in the name of Jesus.
18. Mark of rejection in my body, expire in the name of Jesus.
19. Powers waiting to disgrace me on the day of my joy, meet double failure, in the name of Jesus.
20. Every dark plan to scatter God's plan in my life scatter in the name of Jesus.
21. False accusation to pull me down, backfire in the name of Jesus.
22. Lord Jesus, I table my case before you, help me in the name of Jesus.
23. Wind of trouble blowing, my life is not your candidate, scatter in the name of Jesus.
24. Every failure in my life be converted to success in the name of Jesus.
25. Famine in my life, turn to breakthrough and surplus in the name of Jesus.
26. Tabernacle of God, receive me with open hands in the name of Jesus.
27. Dark neighbours and friend planning evil against me meet double failure, in the name of Jesus.
28. I break the curse of stagnancy in the name of Jesus.
29. I break power of sorcery working against me, in the name of Jesus.
30. Every rot in my destiny, expire in the name of Jesus.
31. Avengers assign to kill me, die on your way in the name of Jesus.
32. Evil hands stretched at me wither, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER FOUR

WHEN YOU HAVE SINNED…CALL PSALM 51

The sin of man can be traced to our ancient parent's disobedience in the Garden of Eden. Ever since then, we fall into one sin or the other every day. We rebel against God and were sent away from His presence. We are no longer governed by God's word but by our own nature.

Sin opens us to danger and gives Satan opportunity to attack us. If we live a charmed life as if living in the center of God's will, all the attacks that Satan hurl at us shall not only be powerless to harm us, but turn to blessings on the way. Why?, because at the center of the circle of the will of God you stand, no arrow that flies about shall come near you.

This day things are getting worse and worse on earth. The unclean are getting more unclean. There are more lost ones today than yesterday. Unbelief and lawlessness are increasing all over not only outside the church, but also in it.

Where are you living, in the valley of your inadequacy or on the mountain top of God's adequacy? Every Christian must equip himself against sin. Satan wastes no ammunition on those who are dead in trespasses and in sin. Christians are far more strategic targets for him.

It is good to be in the Lord. Happiness is not found in marriage or work, or ministry, children or in themselves. Happiness is found in Jesus, in obedience to him, in doing his will etc. Then we have fellowship with him and we can speak to him about everything that occupies our thought, and all other things find their proper places in his plan for our lives.

When Jesus is in your heart, you see all sin so clearly. Together with him, there comes a spring cleansing in your heart that sets you free, takes away the guilt, and gives you vision.

What more shall we do? We should surrender to God completely. Surrender means letting the wrong things go out of our lives. The things we know are wrong, or that we doubt must be completely abandon.

The enemy considers it most important to destroy our prayer life by little faith, lack of time, and doubt. We should know that prayerlessness is sin for a child of God. But we can confess this sin and be cleansed.

Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people. God hid the day of Jesus coming in order that we may be ready every day and watch our daily walks and action. How then can we be ready? It's by doing his will, keep away from sin and prayerful.

We can gain a little from the prayer of **Thomas Ellwood** written in 1639, close to four centuries ago. He called it, **"A daily prayer"** written in poem form.

Oh, that mine eyes might be closed
To what concerns me not to see;
That deafness might possess mine ear
To what concerns me not to hear
That truth my tongue might always tie
From ever speaking foolishly;
That no vain thought might ever rest
Or be conceived with in my breath
That by each deed and word and thought
Glory may to my God be brought.

But are wishes? Lord, mine eye
On thee is fixed, to thee I cry
Wash Lord and purify my heart,
And make it clean in every part
And when it is clean, Lord, keep it too,
For that is more than I can do
THOMAS ELLWOOD (1639)

Prayer is powerful if rightly applied. When you fall into sin pray so that you might be cleansed. When you walk right with God, pray you don't fall into sin. Don't allow sin turn your house empty or desolate. Maintain a holy composure, however dark and mysterious the situation. You must pray to pray, and continue in prayer that your prayer without listening is like going to a person, asking questions, and leaving without waiting for an answer.

Can't the Bible be of help? Yes, it does. Throughout its sixty six different yet unified divisions, the Bible claims for itself divine inspiration. It is accepted as the word of God. Inspired but understandable, threatened but indestructive, it offers life to the believer, hope to the hopeless, and direction to all who trust its words.

As soon as we realize that there is a sin in our hearts, we must bring it to the Lord, because that sin makes us insecure and weak. People sometimes say they have committed a sin so bad that they cannot bring it to God, or that he cannot forgive and forget. But there is no sin too great to bring to Jesus. Those who come to him, he will never cast out. The first step is to come to Jesus and turn away from sin. Then we shall be cleansed and sanctified.

Many people struggle with the problem of sinning; trying not to sin again.

Although we know about this vicious cycle of sinning and trying again and again to live up to the Christian life and we may indeed be successful for a time; yet we fail because of our sinful nature, and the power of the enemy keeps us on the deadly treadmill of sin.

Since Satan attacks us often, it is necessary to confess often. Regardless of how old people may be, or how long they may have ministered in the name of Jesus Christ, they still need to confess their sins again and again, and ask for forgiveness. As soon as we realize that there is sin in our hearts, we must bring it to the Lord, because that sin makes us insecure and weak. The purpose of guilt is to bring us to Jesus. That is what any feeling of guilt should do for you.

All is not lost as God gives us many opportunities to build gold and silver for eternity, only if we confess our sins and turn from evil. Jesus came to lift us out of the vicious circle of sin and try to live up to the Christian life, and put us into the blessed circle of the Holy Spirit. If we then sin, we confess it immediately and are cleansed.

We must return to God, confess our sins, ask for forgiveness then our fellowship with God will be restored and our first love will be renewed. Accepting Christ is not an end, but a beginning. We must accept him as our Lord and saviour. An unrepeated sin is what God want from us. The Lord opens doors and sets the captives free; not only those behind iron doors, but also captives of sins.

What a joy to know him, our Lord Jesus Christ, who was born at Bethlehem, who died on the cross for our sins, who was raised, and who is with us always, until the end of the world!

I pray, that the Lord Almighty shall forgive our sins and make us sin no more. Amen.

PRAYER POINTS

1. O Lord, forgive me every sin that separates me from you, in the name of Jesus.
2. O Lord, let my name be found in the book of life.
3. Inherited sin in my life, end today in the name of Jesus.
4. My cup of sin break to pieces in the name of Jesus.
5. Every sin that opens my life to danger, die in the name of Jesus.
6. Every sin that gives Satan opportunity to attack me, die in the name of Jesus.
7. Every attack hurled at me by Satan, become powerless, in the name of Jesus.
8. Satanic arrow flying about, my life is not your candidate, go back to your sender and consume him/her in the name of Jesus.
9. Unclean spirit in me come out and die, in the name of Jesus.
10. I will not be candidate of lost souls in the name of Jesus.
11. Spirit of obedience to God, be my portion in the name of Jesus.
12. Un-confess sin in my life, expire in my heart in the name of Jesus.
13. Jesus, come to me, occupy my heart today by fire.
14. Lord Jesus, I surrender all to you.
15. Little faith that introduce pollution to my heart, die and be replaced with deep faith of God.
16. I confess my sins O Lord, forgive me in the name of Jesus.
17. O heaven, see me through in the journey of life, be a prepared place for me in the name of Jesus.
18. My ear, be deaf to sin, in the name of Jesus.
19. My eyes be blind to sin in the name of Jesus.
20. My mouth, speak no sin in the name of Jesus.
21. My tongue speak no foolish things in the name of Jesus.
22. O Lord, purify my heart in the name of Jesus.

23. Veil of darkness in my eyes, catch fire and roast to ashes, in the name of Jesus.
24. O Lord, let my prayer ascend to heaven for acceptance and forgiveness in the name of Jesus.
25. Every sin that wants to turn my house empty, die in the name of Jesus.
26. Whatever may be the situation, O Lord, compose me for holiness in the name of Jesus.
27. Spirit of prayerlessness in my life, die in the name of Jesus.
28. My prayer, receive answer that bring prosperity in the name of Jesus.
29. Word of God, shall not depart for my mouth and heart in the name of Jesus.
30. No matter how bad my sin, my God shall forgive me, in the name of Jesus.
31. I will not be a cast out in the hands of God, in the name of Jesus.
32. Guilt shall not sink me, in the name of Jesus.
33. Lord Jesus, lift me out of vicious circle of sin.

CHAPTER FIVE

WHEN YOU WORRY…CALL MATTHEW 6:19-34

Today, brethren, we stand upon the verge of the unknown. There lies before us expectations and how to achieve them. We are worried of how to possess them and how to go about them. Strategies are mapped out, feelings are high, and the road to it seems rough and unachieved. But then, we refuse to give in. We often say, “I shall possess my possessions”

Let’s hold our cap in hand before the Almighty who can do all things. All our supply is to come from him. He holds the key to springs that never dry; fountains and streams that never cut off. No heat, no drought can parch the river of the Lord. He provides the streams that never dry even in the desert.

In the like of the Promised Land, our lives are of hills and valleys. **“The land wither ye go to possess it is a land of hills and valleys”** Deuteronomy 11:11. If God can give to his chosen race a land of hills and valleys, why then are we disturbed in the heart. This tells there are trying times and times of joy. The worries in your heart today shall surely bring rest tomorrow. Don’t bury your life in doubt, unbelief or sorrow.

I can’t tell what loss, sorrow or trials are doing in you. You may have lost hope, but I say trust in the Lord. The hills collect rain for a hundred fruitful valleys. Hills or valleys are not enemies, but what takes us close to God. It is the hill difficulty that drives us to the throne of grace and brings down the shower of blessing, the hills, and the bleak hills of life that we wonder at and perhaps grumble at, bring down the showers. God’s hills are a gracious protection for his people against their foes! Upward, he shall lead you, though your steps are slow. Though storms and darkness comes your way, you shall overcome. Don’t worry.

The Psalmist says, **“I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help”** Psalm 121:1. There is no doubt looking unto the hills. Pure are the dews of the hills, fresh is the mountain air. Release your soul from spirit of worry; occupy the hill whose windows look into the New Jerusalem.

Worry is part of life, in-built in us. What you need now is ‘effort’s grace’. You need efforts to carry out daily activities. Every daily activity has worry attach to it. Every step you take to achieve objectives are coated with ability to see you through. No achievement without difficulties or barriers. Red Sea is there before wilderness; Jordan before Canaan. Worries are ahead of us. God doesn’t open paths for us in advance of our coming. He does not promise help before help is needed. He does not remove obstacles out of our way before we reach them. Yet when we are on the edge of our need, God’s hand is stretched out.

Worries cannot overcome or swallow you. God’s hands are there stretched out for your sake. You need to take one step after another to accomplish needs of life. We most worry about difficulties which we foresee. We expect that God is going to make the way plain and open before us, miles and miles ahead, whereas he has promised to do it only step by step as we may need. Brethren, the fact remains, we must get to the waters and unto their floods before we can claim the promise. Why worry when the Lord is solidly behind you. The fact is, “When thou comest to the waters, thou shall not go down” BUT THROUGH. Isaiah 43:2 says **“When thou passest through the waters…they shall not overflow thee”** Waters are there for us to pass through not to sink or overflown by it. I say don’t worry.

We worry believing God do not answer us in time. We have called on God in the day of trouble, we have pleaded his promise of deliverance but no deliverance has been given, the enemy has continued oppressing until we were in the very

thick of the fight, in the center of trouble. This is time of emergency we need to cry further to God. In emergency, God answers he doesn't look elsewhere

The children of Israel cried unto him in the foreign land – Egypt; then arose a new king that maltreats and molest them. They were in despair, seeking emergency answer to their plights. When in the hopeless place, the continued hopeless place is the very time he stretch forth his hand against the wrath of enemies and perfect that which concerns us, the very time when he will make the attack to cease and come to an end. Our God shall appear and save us, even when we walk in the center of trouble and are tempted to think like Martha that the time of deliverance is past. Martha thought the Lord was late in the situation of her brother who was dead while ago, our Lord met her lack of hope with his further promise, "Thy brother shall rise again". Her brother eventually came back to life, her worries vanished. I pray every worry troubling your soul shall vanish today in the name of Jesus.

At any point in time, don't allow worry to weigh you down. What you regard as end of life may be the very preparation for coronation. This may be a stepping stone to your miracle, when unexpected good doors shall open, when lost hopes shall give birth to blessings, when scars shall become stars. You may have grieved, mourned, wept, and motionless or run out of voice. All I will say is, 'Be comforted and alive, don't worry'.

The resurrection power of God shall turn your life around. Where our death seems to be, there our saviour is, where the end of hope is, there is the brightest beginning of fruition. Where the darkness is thickest, there the bright beaming light that never is set is about to emerge. Our joys are made better if there be sorrow and worry in the midst of them. At the end of the tunnel, our sorrows turn to joy, love, hope, faith and peace.

PRAYER POINTS

1. O Lord, guide me on steps to take in life, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every expectation that will make me someone in life, manifest by fire in the name of Jesus.
3. Every rough way on my journey of success, be a star road to breakthrough, in the name of Jesus.
4. I recover my virtues in the hands of enemy in the name of Jesus.
5. I possess my possessions by fire in the name of Jesus.
6. My heaven open by fire in the name of Jesus.
7. Every dark river flowing into my life, dry up in the name of Jesus.
8. Flood that carry men away my life is not your candidate, dry up in the name of Jesus.
9. Situation that brings agony, my life is not for you, scatter in the name of Jesus.
10. Every hills and valley assign to shorten my joy, clear away in the name of Jesus.
11. O Lord, empower me over trying times on my way, in the name of Jesus.
12. Every worry in my heart give way to rest in the name of Jesus.
13. I claim and receive shower of blessing from above in the name of Jesus.
14. My soul, be released from spirit of worry in the name of Jesus.
15. Worries in my soul, disappear, my soul occupy New Jerusalem of life, in the name of Jesus.
16. Every barrier on my way of success be pulled down by angels of God.
17. Every Red Sea on my way to breakthrough dry up in the name of Jesus.
18. Every worry assign to send me to untimely grave, die in the name of Jesus.
19. O Lord, deliver my soul from worry in the name of Jesus.
20. Lord Jesus, arise come to my situation in the name of Jesus.
21. Unexpected good doors open to my life in the name of Jesus.
22. Every lost hope, give birth to blessings in the name of Jesus.
23. Every scars in my life be converted to stars, in the name of Jesus.

24. Resurrection power of God, turn my life around in the name of Jesus.
25. Every darkness in my life, expire in the name of Jesus.
26. I shall be the head and not the tail in the name of Jesus.
27. Anointing that break the yoke fall upon me in the name of Jesus.
28. Uncommon breakthrough locate me today in the name of Jesus.
29. Witchcraft manipulation to scatter my destiny be nullified in the name of Jesus.
30. Every chain of darkness assign to frustrate me break in the name of Jesus.
31. Holy Ghost Power, wear me with garment of happiness in the name of Jesus.
32. Every yoke on my shoulder break in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER SIX

WHEN YOU ARE IN DANGER…CALL PSALM 91

Why do people wallow in emergency? The fact is, they neither learn nor know what brought it about, nor wish to learn or know it.

Most people find themselves in emergency situation because of disobedience. Delayed obedience is disobedience. Every time God calls us to duty, he is offering to make a covenant with us; doing the duty is our part, and he will do his part in special blessing. Imagine God called you to serve him and you delay or disobey, danger will lurk around you.

A man was called by God to be his minister; by then he was into importation. He felt within him, what will I gain from being a Pastor or a Man of God? He refused. Not quite long, goods that worth millions of Naira which he imported were seized by customs for reason he could not explain. He couldn't pay the loan he raised from the bank, and was dragged to court. His collateral was taken over including his two buildings. He went bankrupt.

At this stage he was still struggling with God. In the dream he was told, "Obey the call or you die", yet he didn't believe. One day, as he was travelling to his home town from his base in Lagos Nigeria, he was involved in a fatal accident. He had a broken leg and was rushed to a nearby hospital. That night, an angel of God appeared to him, saying. "This is a sample for you, next time your two hands shall cut off because of your disobedience". Three months after he recovered, he obeyed to serve God. He went into full time ministry and was mightily used by God. Really, he obeyed, it was a delayed obedience.

In obedience, the only way to obey is to obey, in some day or time, as Abraham

did. We often postpone our duty, this is not good enough. It introduces danger and emergency. A postponed duty never bring the full blessing that God intends, and that it would have brought if done at the earliest possible moment. Procrastination exposes us to contentment. The fact is, we rob ourselves, along others by procrastination.

There is hope even in the midst of danger. There is hope in the darkest hours of the night. As the day of execution is breaking, the angel comes to Peter's cell. When the scaffold for Mordecai is complete, the king's sleeplessness favoured the Israelites. You may have concluded you are in the worst situation, God have not done yet with you. You shall be delivered. God may keep you waiting, but he will ever be mindful of his covenant, and will appear to fulfill his invaluable word.

It doesn't mean God is against you or looks elsewhere when mighty dark powers in the form of storm, tempest and enemies strike. God is watching with necessary machinery to save you.

Take Apostle Paul as an example. One would have thought that on his great missionary journey to Rome, Paul would have been carried by some mighty providence above the power of storms and tempest and enemies. But, on the contrary, it was one long, hard fight with persecuting Jews, with wild tempests, with venomous viper and all the powers of earth and hell, and at last he was saved, by the narrowest margin, and had to swim ashore at Malta on a piece of wreckage and barely escape a watery grave.

If you were in Paul's shape, you would have shouted, "Where is my God, are you sleeping"? Paul was almost consumed by emergency situation but never back out. To be in the midst of danger doesn't mean defeat, but encouragement to forge ahead. Unless you have overcoming faith, you can be eaten up or

consumed by the giants in your path. Have faith of the mustard seed and see God, and He will take care of your difficulties.

Brethren, you cannot fail if only you dare to believe, to stand fast and refuse to be defeated. There are no cheap foods in heavenly market. The reason so many fail is because they expect to have it all without a struggle, and when the conflict comes and battle waxes long, they become discouraged and surrender, forgetting that hard places are the very school of faith and character.

When you are in danger, ask God to raise soldiers of Christ to intercede on your behalf. It is recorded in Acts 12:5, **"Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him"** This was a very critical and dangerous moment for Peter. He was in prison awaiting his execution. The church had neither human power influence to save him. There was no earthly help, but there was one to be obtained by the way of heaven.

They gave themselves to fervent prayer. God sent his angel, who wake Peter from sleep and led him out through the first and second guards of the prison, and when they came to the Iron Gate, it opened to them of its own accord, and Peter was set free.

This incidence testifies there is no situation you must label 'dangerous' or 'too difficult'. Really, there may be some iron gate in your life that has blocked your way. Like a caged bird you have often beaten against the bars, only to fall back tired and exhorted, sore at heart without result.

There is a secret for you to learn at this critical and emergency period; it is to believe in prayer. When you come to the Iron Gate, it will open of its own accord. Doing this, insurmountable difficulties shall disappear; adverse circumstances shall become favourable, if you learn to pray, not with your own

faith but with the faith of God.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Powers assign to put me in danger, die in the name of Jesus.
2. I refuse to abide in the bus stop of danger, in the name of Jesus.
3. Spirit of disobedience in me die, in the name of Jesus.
4. Spirit of delay reaping me from doing right thing at the right time die in the name of Jesus.
5. O Lord, make me a vessel capable of knowing your secret things in the name of Jesus.
6. Every danger in my path, scatter in the name of Jesus.
7. Lord, reveal to me problems that keep me in one spot of life, in the name of Jesus.
8. Powers assign to mislead me in life die in the name of Jesus.
9. Dark strangers in my life, fade away and be afraid out of your close places, in the name of Jesus.
10. O Lord, hear me in the day of trouble, and set me free, in the name of Jesus.
11. My father and my God, avenge me, break every chain that place me in captivity in the name of Jesus.
12. O Lord, help me out of trouble, only me cannot do it.
13. Wind of destruction blowing against me, stop by fire, in the name of Jesus.
14. O Lord my father, hear my voice and help me out, in the name of Jesus.
15. Every dark altar raised to put my life in danger, scatter in the name of Jesus.
16. Every trouble in my life, be troubled in the name of Jesus.
17. Tormentors assign to torment me die in the name of Jesus.
18. Evil arrow fired against me backfire in the name of Jesus.
19. Ancient gate holding me captive, break to pieces in the name of Jesus.
20. I break the cause of stagnancy holding me captive in the name of Jesus.
21. Foundations of the old, holding me captive, expire in the name of Jesus.

22. Blood covenant, holding me captive, break in the name of Jesus.
23. Spirit of procrastination in my life, die in the name of Jesus.
24. My hope of the darkest hour of night shall not die in the name of Jesus.
25. Power that release Peter from prison, release me from captivity in the name of Jesus.
26. O Lord, favour me in the order Mordecai, in the name of Jesus.
27. Every storm and tempest of delay, clear away in the name of Jesus.
28. Power that keep Apostle Paul free of danger in his great missionary journey to Rome, keep me safe today, in the name of Jesus.
29. I shall not die before my time in the name of Jesus.
30. Even in the midst of danger, I will forge ahead in the name of Jesus.
31. Angel of God, lead me out of trouble in the order of Peter, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER SEVEN

WHEN YOU FEEL DOWN AND OUT…CALL ROMAN 8:31

"Rouse thee, O believer, from thy low condition! Cast away thy sloth, thy lethargy, thy coldness, or whatever interferes with thy chastely and pure love for Christ. Make him the source, the center, and the circumference of all thy soul's range of delight. Rest no longer satisfies with thy dwarfish attainments. Aspire to a higher, a nobler, a fuller life. Upward to heaven! Nearer to God" **Spurgeon**

Spurgeon in his hey days knew the power to rise from dwarfish and coldness position to mountain top. It is epileptic and dangerous to be down cast. Morale will be low while good opportunities pass by. You must not live arms fold. Let revival possess your spirit to scale the utmost height, and catch a gleam of glory bright.

Are you down and out as a result of your physic? What do you look like? Fat? Thin? Tall? Short? Muscular? Or Average? Spindly? Beautiful? Sporty? Do you understand God has accepted you just as you are? You might not be satisfied with your appearance but he loves you no matter how you look. He rejoices over your life because he made you and he wants you to have a deeper relationship with him.

How do you look like emotionally? Are you a person who's strong and independent, someone who can manage things alone, or are you rather insecure, do you tend to lean too heavily on others? May be you fall in between. It is good to know that God accepts and loves you regardless of the kind of person you are.

May I ask a further question? What do you look like spiritually? Fact remains; you can speak about God working in your life or used to help others to come to

Christ. It is more than this. When you claim to know Jesus well, you should be able to talk of him as your personal friend. You will hear him speak directly to you through his word, the Bible, as you read it. You will also find that he talks to you through people, dreams and everyday events. You will know his voice and will learn to follow him. The book of John 10:4 says, **"When he has brought all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him, because they know his voice"**

There are a number of Bible passages or more you need to know, that will pull you out of being down and out. Fear not of situation that surrounds you. Arise and move forward by fire. Put on garment of encouragement, for every man must go through the tunnel of tribulation before he can travel on the elevated road of triumph. You are not alone; the Lord Almighty is with you. Revive your heart with the following Bible passages.

Psalm 37:24. **"Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand".**

Isaiah 41:10. **"I am with thee; be not dismayed, I will uphold thee with my right hand"**

Isaiah 63:9. **"Don't be afraid, "In his love and pity he… bare them, and carried them"**

Matthew 28:20. **"I am with you always, even unto the end of the world".**

Micah 7:8. **"Rejoice not against me. O mine enemy when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me"**

Isaiah 41:13, **"For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto**

thee, fear not; I will help thee"

Matthew 14:27. **"But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, be of good cheer, it is I, be not afraid".**

Psalm 31:24. **"Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all yee that hope in the Lord".**

Psalm 46:1. **"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble".**

Psalm 145:14. **"The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all those that be bowed down".**

Your spirituality has a long list. You will long to speak of how Jesus seems moving in your life, helping you to abandon the mask you put on to hide your real self from others. You will be honest about your weakness as well as your strengths and have joy because Jesus is steadily changing them into his likeness.

The book of 2 Corinthians 3:18 says, **"And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the spirit"**

Your spirituality covers how you are able to share your experience of worship, prayer and knowledge as Jesus draws close and listens. You will relate answer to prayer not just about big things, but about little ones too. Your spirituality will enable you lift your joy and sorrow to Jesus, knowing fully he will always be there beside you, sharing your laughter and your tears as said in Matthew 28:20, **"…And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age"** It is therefore, immaterial to be down and out, when you know Jesus is there for you every time.

Be involved in Christian race; reach out and experience new joy in the relationship with other Christians. Love to help people, when in need yourself, be happy to allow others to help you. Open up to people to certain degree, have fellowship, share your joy and sorrow, bear the burden of those who can't cope alone and discover how to love and build up the body of Christ.

I ask again, "Are you down and out?" Awake your spirit man. **"Stand firm; then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery"** Galatians 5:1. Break every chain bound around you. Break every chain bound around your neck. Satan delights to wind chains around us and padlock us into situations that will prevent us from being a threat to him.

When you forget what it is like to desire help and depend on others, you begin to lose your humanity and tenderness; instead you replace it with hardness. This is bad. The more you isolate yourself from people the less you know how to relate to them. The less you know how to relate to them, the more you avoid them; leading to being down and out.

To be candid, God intend us to love and care for each other on the human as well as on the spiritual. Genuine and deep friendship is normal. Jesus himself was more than a master, teacher and co-worker in his relationship with the disciples and others. He truly thought of them as friends, and he really enjoyed being with them. Let's go into prayer and nullify being down and out.
Now let's pray.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Lord Jesus, think of me as friend, enjoy being with me.
2. Spirit to love and care for others, fall upon me in the name of Jesus.
3. Spirit that makes others love and care for me when I am down fall upon them

in the name of Jesus.

4. My helpers appear in my situation in the name of Jesus.
5. O Lord, make me come across people with genuine and deep friendship, in the name of Jesus.
6. Lord Jesus, close every gap between me and people that will show interest in me.
7. Spirit of good relationship with others fall upon me in the name of Jesus.
8. Yoke of slavery in my life break in the name of Jesus.
9. Every chain of darkness that binds me break in the name of Jesus.
10. Every padlock of darkness fashion against me break in the name of Jesus.
11. Every race different from Christian race in my life, expire in the name of Jesus.
12. Lord Jesus be there for me every time, now that I am down, lift my soul to you.
13. Every mark in my face that doesn't let me see Jesus, as my personal Lord and Saviour, expire in the name of Jesus.
14. Lord Jesus, move in my life and make me great.
15. Lord Jesus, raise me when I fall.
16. O Lord, be my refuge and strength in time of trouble in the name of Jesus.
17. O Lord, lift my heart unto you and strengthen my heart, in the name of Jesus.
18. O Lord, hold my right hand, raise me and help me out by your power.
19. Fear that weaken spirit, quit my life in the name of Jesus.
20. Rejoice not against me O my enemy, when I fall I shall rise up in the name of Jesus.
21. Star hijackers assign to pull me down, die in the name of Jesus.
22. Lord Jesus, be with me unto the end, in the name of Jesus.
23. My tunnel of tribulation come to an end today in the name of Jesus.
24. I occupy and move on elevated road of triumph in the name of Jesus.
25. Lord Jesus, appear in my life, speak to me and encourage me.

26. My past mistakes shall not hunt me, in the name of Jesus.
27. Every power aborting plans of God for my life die, in the name of Jesus.
28. Every arrow of failure fired at me backfire in the name of Jesus.
29. Satanic forces around me scatter in the name of Jesus.
30. Evil programme fashion against me, scatter in the name of Jesus.
31. Root of sin in my life wither in the name of Jesus.
32. My spirit arise, fast forward my progress in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER EIGHT

WHEN YOU GROW BITTER AND CRITICAL…CALL 1 CORINTHIANS 13

There is absence of love in a person that is bitter in mind. Bitterness is pollution of peace and joy. You hardly enjoy peace or joy when bitter in mind. Create room for peace and avoid bitterness. You hardly avoid or go home with good harvest with bitter mind. Whatever harvest you have, void peace, will surely be paid for in future. Love gathers than scatter. A bitter man holds grudge unforgiving, and merciless. When we allow ourselves to become bitter against others, we create walls difficult to overcome, which isolates us from others. We must endeavour to guide against it, because even a little root of bitterness can do much harm to us and others.

It is possible for the best years of our life, the best experiences, best victories won, best service rendered, to be swallowed by times of failure, defeat, dishonour, and uselessness. It is a time when promises and achievements hit the rock. It is awful to think of, but it is true. You felt so bad and weak, loaded with discouragement.

The condition of many are appalling, suffering from spiritual to physical slavery; poverty, oppression and despair. Bitterness emerges in the mind of people, leading to critical thoughts, mostly wrapped with negatives. To avoid mind pollution at this time, inward stillness is absolutely necessary. It is a time when emergency arise in the body, making every part occupied with anxiety. It is as if one flies to pieces with inward turmoil. In such critical period, you should compose your body to perfect stillness and constrain your troubled spirit into quietness, look up and wait on the Lord. At times, quiet tension is not trust. It is simply compressed anxiety.

Thorns do not prick you unless you lean against them. The words that hurt you, the letter which gave you pain, the cruel wound of your dearest friend, shortness of money, are all known to Him who sympathizes as none else can and watches to see, if through all, you will dare to trust Him wholly.

When we patiently listen, God tells us his secrets, great and wonderful, eternal and infinite. We must have periods of lonely meditation and fellowship with him.

What we need most as assurance of safety against tragedy is, “Fresh touch of God”, hourly and daily. The blessed, fruitful, victorious experiences of yesterday are not only of no value to you today, but can be eaten up or reversed by today’s failures, unless, I say again, unless, they serve as incentives to fertilize better, richer experience today. It is “Fresh touch of God” by abiding in Christ alone that can keep one above bitter and critical condition.

We must not allow bitterness or related situation to bore us down; rather hold on to the scripture. Every promise of the scripture is a writing of God, which may be pleaded before him. The creator will not cheat his creature that depends upon his truth, and far more, the heavenly father will not break his word to his own child. If this is so, why must you weep when others sing? Why must you work while others rest? Why must you lose while others gain? Evil shall not befall you, in as much you are with God.

We must learn to sing even when we do not feel like it, for thus we may give wings to weak feet and turn weariness into strength. Even in the face of bitter and critical situation. **“At midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them”** Acts 16:25. Paul as a person went through hell on earth. He had marks from the stoning almost to the death, from

thrice beating with rods, from hundred and ninety five stripes laid on him by the Jews, and from stripes received in Philippians jail etc. The grace of the Lord saw him through singing praises under suffering. Paul believed one thing, like other Christians, the father will not let you carry banner of his victory and his gladness on to the front of the battle, and then only stand back and see you captured or beaten back by the enemy.

Evil never surrenders its hold without a strong fight. We never pass into any spiritual inheritance through the delightful exercise of a picnic, but always through violent contentious of the battle field. Every faculty which wins its spiritual freedom does so at the price of blood. When the fire is hottest hold still, for there will be a blessing afterward.

Your condition may be critical and bitter, but it shouldn't silence you. Can you find any reason why you are so often mourning instead of rejoicing? Why yield to gloomy anticipations? Who told you that the night would never end in day? Who told you that the winter shall long forever? That it would proceed from frost to frost, from snow and ice, and hail, to deeper snow, and yet heavy tempest of despair? Who told you that the heat shall boil to highest degree, as if in hell? Don't you know that day follows night; dry season doesn't last, but is followed by rainy season. Keep hope high and believe in God.

Summon courage and jettison bitterness in the heart. Don't take any situation as bitter or critical. After cloud comes rain. If you don't allow grief to swallow you, laughter shall come very soon. Our God may drench us with grief, but he will refresh us with mercy. Our Lord's love letters often come to us in black-edged envelopes. The Lord's wagon rumble, but they are loaded with benefits. His rod blossoms with sweet flowers and nourishing fruits. Arise O brethren, your time has come. The angel is at the door knocking for good; only you open for him to deliver the message of joy in his hands to you. The thick cloud in the sky will

soon empty itself of showers. Don't worry about the clouds, but sing because May Flowers are brought to us through the April clouds and showers!

May God bless you? Amen.

Now let's pray

PRAYER POINTS

1. Every seed of bitterness in my life, wither and die in the name of Jesus.
2. Seed of love, germinate and grow in my life in the name of Jesus.
3. I drink from cup of happiness and break cup of sorrow in the name of Jesus.
4. Dark powers assign to feed me in the dream, die in the name of Jesus.
5. Every bitterness in my life be converted to sweetness in the name of Jesus.
6. Bitterness that debars me of good harvest in life, in the name of Jesus.
7. Unforgiving spirit in me, quit my life and die in the name of Jesus.
8. Wall of bitterness that isolate me from helpers, I pull you down in the name of Jesus.
9. Wall of bitterness that isolate me from friends of value, I pull you down in the name of Jesus.
10. Wall of bitterness that isolate me from in-laws of repute, I pull you down in the name of Jesus.
11. Lord Jesus, wear me with garment of love in the name of Jesus.
12. Arrow of failure fired into my life, come out, backfire in the name of Jesus.
13. Arrow of defeat fired into my life, come out, backfire in the name of Jesus.
14. Every arrow of poverty fired against my life, backfire in the name of Jesus.
15. Every arrow of sorrow fired against my life, backfire in the name of Jesus.
16. Evil thought that leads to sorrow and vengeance, die in the name of Jesus.
17. Every frustration hanging around my neck, die in the name of Jesus.
18. O Lord, give me a fresh touch in the name of Jesus.
19. I will not weep when others sing in the name of Jesus.

20. I will not lose when others gain in the name of Jesus.
21. I will not be a slave in the spirit in the name of Jesus.
22. I will not grow bitter in mind but shall dance to the glory of God in the name of Jesus.
23. My hands, receive heavenly wings and make me fly out of trouble in the name of Jesus.
24. My feet, receive heavenly anointing and make me walk out of trouble in the name of Jesus.
25. All the hell I go through on earth shall lead me to heaven, in the name of Jesus.
26. Every mark of rejection in my life, be cleansed with the blood of Jesus.
27. Every battle around me, scatter in the name of Jesus.
28. Every hold of enemy upon my life break in the name of Jesus.
29. I shall not mourn but rejoice in the name of Jesus.
30. Spirit of winter that want to keep me in the cold, die and rise no more in the name of Jesus.
31. Mercy of God, reign in my life, in the name of Jesus.
32. Angels of God, guide, guard and fight for me, in the name of Jesus.
33. O Lord, by your power promote me in the name of Jesus.

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CHAPTER NINE

WHEN YOU WANT PEACE AND REST…CALL MATTHEW 11:25-30

God doesn't comfort us to make us comfortable, but to make us comforters. Wealth is not ultimate of comfort. There are hundreds of wealthy men and women who are not comfortable. We are created to have dominion over all creatures, meaning comfort is our birth right. But for sin, afflictions find way into our lives making us to become the hospital ward where we gather experience to divine art of comfort. When we are wounded, in the binding up of our wounds by the great physician, we know how to render first aid to the wounded everywhere. You may wonder why you pass through some special sorrow, wait for ten years are passed, and you will find others afflicted as you do in the past. There and then you will tell them how you suffered years back and was comforted.

To be left unmolested by Satan is no evidence of blessing; peace and rest don't come on platter of gold, you must fight for it. Soldiers have rest only after war, not in the course of war. God trains his soldiers, not in tents of ease and luxury, but by turning them out and using them to forced marches and hard service. He makes them ford through streams, and swim through rivers and climb mountains, and walk many weary mile with heavy sacks of bags on their backs. All these gave them reflection of the past in time of rest.

No matter the difficulties we face or experience, the Lord Almighty promise to save and be with us all the time. His comfort, act as balm of Gilead. He will help and comfort us. His promises of comfort abound. It is written:

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".**

Psalm 71:21. “ **Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side”**

Psalm 138:7. “ **Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou will revive me; thou shalt stretch forth, thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me”.**

Isaiah 43:2. **“When thou passeth through the waters, I will be with thee, and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when though walkest through fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee”.**

Isaiah 66:13. “ **As one whom his mother comforted, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem”.**

In time of emergency, run to God, so that peace may reign in your life. The book of Joel 2:32 says, **“And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be delivered”** You shouldn’t ask if you may call on him or not. The word is “whosoever” a very wide and comprehensive one. Whosoever means me, it means anybody and everybody who calls upon God. Thus, to have peace and rest, call upon the glorious Lord who made so large a promise for us all.

Is your case so urgent that needs emergency steps and answers? Are you confuse not knowing how you can be delivered? Brethren, this is no business of yours. He who makes the promise will find ways and means of keeping it. It is yours to obey his commands; it is not yours to direct his counsels. You are his servant, not solicitor. When you call upon him, he shall deliver, thereby have peace and rest.

It is time you pray and ask God for help. He hears the cry of the righteous, and delivers them from them all. He keeps every heart at peace. Be close to God, read and meditate on the Word. Stay obedient and be close to him. Trust in him, have patience in the order of Jacob. God tells Jacob, **“I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of”** Genesis 28:15. No matter the trouble you pass through, God’s intervention brings peace.

Your peace and rest is paramount to Jesus. He knows every tear you have shed. He knows exactly what you are experiencing. His hands are always there, supporting us. He is close to us all the time, even in distant lands and lonesome situations. Build courage, find peace in your heart. If you feel you are in the dark, trust in God for light. He will make dark, light before you. Light shall arise in your darkness. The Lord Almighty shall give beauty for ashes, oil of joy for mourning, and the garment of praise for spirit of heaviness.

Whatever the situation, the Lord shall see you through. He shall see you through poverty, through sickness , see you through wealth, through health; at home, abroad, on the land, on the sea; in honour, in dishonor, in perplexity, in joy, in trial, in triumph, in prayer, in temptation, you shall have cause to say, “hitherto hath the Lord helped” 1 Samuel 7:12. Hitherto is sign of rest and peace.

Heavenly rest doesn’t end here; hitherto points forward. The word hitherto is not yet end; there are still distances to cover. Yes this is so, when a man gets up to a certain mark, and writes hitherto, he is not yet at the end, there are still distances to be traversed. Brethren, there lay ahead of us more trials, more joy, more temptations, more triumphs, more prayers, more answers, more toils, more strengths, more fights, more victories and then come sickness, old age, disease, and death.

We must retrace our steps to God. He is the source of peace and rest. He creates the springs that never dry, the fountains and streams that can't be cut off. He is the source of our mercies that can't fail us. Really life is like land of hills and valleys. It is not all smooth or all downhill. The hills collect, the rain for a hundred fruitful valleys, wonders abound in the hills. How pure are the dews of the hills, how fresh is the mountain air.

What do you do, when about to faint? You can't do anything. You cease from your own doings. In your faintness you fall upon the shoulder of some strong loved one. You lean hard, you rest, and you lay still and rest. It is so when we are tempted to faint under affliction of emergency.

Is it over from here? No not at all, destination to rest and peace is not yet achieved. Our last place of rest and peace rests with Jesus. The awakening in Jesus likeness, thrones, harps, songs, psalms, white raiment, the face of Jesus, the society of saints, the glory of God, the fullness of eternity, the infinity of bliss, give rise to everlasting peace and rest. At last, hitherto is achieved in company of Jesus, our everlasting saviour.

I pray in time of emergency, peace and rest shall not elude us. Amen.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Peace from above, locate my destiny in the name of Jesus.
2. Every dark pot cooking the glory of my life, break in the name of Jesus.
3. Foundational problems hunting my life die in the name of Jesus.
4. Every shock in my life, expire in the name of Jesus.
5. Lord Jesus, make me a comforter in the name of Jesus.
6. Arrow of affliction fired into my life, backfire in the name of Jesus.
7. I will not be consumed by temptation of life, in the name of Jesus.

8. I apply balm of Gilead in areas I have wound in the name of Jesus.
9. O Lord my God, deliver me of all problems in the name of Jesus.
10. O Lord, honour me and make me great before people in the name of Jesus.
11. Every enemy of my soul be disgraced in the name of Jesus.
12. No river shall overflow me in the name of Jesus.
13. Dark fire assign to burn me, quench in the name of Jesus.
14. O Lord, comfort me in every area of my life, in the name of Jesus.
15. Evil reinforcement against my life scatter in the name of Jesus.
16. Powers caging my finance die in the name of Jesus.
17. Spirit valley holding me captive, disappear in my life, in the name of Jesus.
18. Pocket with holes, draining my finance, I seal you with blood of Jesus.
19. My marriage, have peace and blossom in the name of Jesus.
20. Spirit of death, I am not your candidate, go back to your sender and deal with him/her, in the name of Jesus.
21. Rain of affliction, stop by fire in the name of Jesus.
22. O God arise, let my shame expire in the name of Jesus.
23. Evil eyes monitoring me go blind in the name of Jesus.
24. Witchcraft birds flying for my sake fall down and die in the name of Jesus.
25. O God arise, let the root of hardship in my life wither and die in the name of Jesus.
26. Red Sea assign to keep me stagnant, dry up in the name of Jesus.
27. Evil consultations against my destiny scatter in the name of Jesus.
28. Satanic baptism prepared for me scatter in the name of Jesus.
29. O Lord, equip me with weapons of warfare to fight and win battles in the name of Jesus.
30. Failure magnets in my life die in the name of Jesus.
31. Wasting powers that waste destiny, my life is not your candidate, be wasted, in the name of Jesus.
32. Miracle delayer assign to delay my miracle, die in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER TEN

WHEN YOU WANT CHRISTIAN ASSURANCE…CALL ROMANS 8:1-30

There is heavenly assurance for all Christians willing to do things of God, abiding with things of the spirit against things of the flesh. Christian assurance center on Jesus, we look into in time of trouble and in emergency. The focal point is, we shouldn't set our mind in the thing of the flesh but of the spirit.

"For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace" Romans 8:6.

To be in the spirit is to be for God, who gives assurance of living to us. Today, we go to church to receive our spiritual food. We sit in rows of chairs, as if at meal, and expect the Pastor to have prepared a feast. We may even think our spiritual food should be packaged so that we can make it on the run, with minimal interruption in our lives. However, spiritual food should not be dished out by fast food restaurants. Our spiritual food is life itself. As we put the principles of our faith into practice, we nourish our souls.

By this, we are more than conquerors through him that loved us: Mind you, before you can be a conqueror, you show scars and talks of battles. This qualifies you as soldier of Christ who comes out of great tribulation. This is more than victory. This is a triumph so complete that we have not only escaped defeat and destruction, but have destroyed our enemies and won a spoil so rich and valuable that we can thank God that the battle ever came. God allow trials and tests to come our ways, so that our faith can be established.

In drought everything and everywhere look dry and unwelcome, drought is never what people bargain for. It is killing. But then, what do we mean by drought? It

is like a time of test, disappointments, bereavements, and afflictions. It is like testing, raining upon you, which seems beyond your power. It is like disappointments are rising fast, to the utter defeat of all chosen plans. It is like bereavements are raining into our lives, making us shrink at heart. It is like rain of affliction is surely beating down upon our soul. Lips are dry, foods are scarce, hope is lost, and fear grips the heart. It is always like emergency in the order of Elijah, when Israel experienced three and half year's drought.

You must not allow spiritual drough have root in your life. Allowing it is a mistake. Don't be taken aback, it isn't yet with you even in the midst of emergency. God is able to come to your situation and do wonders. What you call emergency shall soon have a turnaround touch. It shall soon be a rain of blessing.

Thou brethren, there is this word of knowledge you should know. Every point of battle to which you come, where you must draw your sword and fight the enemy, has a possible victory which will prove a rich blessing to your life. Every heavy load you are called to lift hides in itself some strange secret of strength. Moreover, every hard duty that lies in your path that you would rather not do, that it will cost you pain and struggle are some effort to do, have a blessing in it. Not to do it, at whatever cost, is to miss the blessing.

Here comes the rain! If you will but believe your father's Word, under that beating rain are springing up spiritual flowers of such fragrance and beauty as never before grew in that stormless and fearless life of yours. Yes, there is beating and buffeting the earth with fierce down pours. In the midst of this comes hope. At this point you see in your imaginations more than the rain. You see myriads of food and drinks. You see spiritual breakthroughs and upliftments. You see myriads of lovely flowers which shall soon break forth from the watered earth, filling it with matchless beauty and fragrance.

You haven’t seen anything yet, God is at work. That testing, disappointments, bereavements, and rain of afflictions shall soon be over. When you call and cry unto God today, changes shall come, answer shall be received. You are kind by the testings, but God sees the sweet flower of faith which is up springing in your life under those very trials.

You shrink from the suffering that seems unending, but God sees the tender compassion for other sufferers which is finding birth in your soul. You shall soon rise to be helpers to others. Banner of love, hope and helps are yours. Amen. Bereavements shall be over, only to be replaced with deep enrichments.

Alas! It isn’t raining afflictions for you. Halleluiah, it is raining tenderness, love, compassion, patience, and a thousand other flowers and fruits of the blessed spirit, which are bringing into your life such a spiritual enrichment as all the fullness of world prosperity and ease was never able to have in your innermost soul.

Don’t be swept by false belief. When tempest come we felt as if deserted by God. This is not true. Even the disciples cried, to Jesus in the midst of storm, “Do you care if we perish?” Brethren, this is the point devil whisper’s “God has forgotten you;” God has forsaken you”. This is not so, God wants your faith shut up to him.

Build faith just like little bird must begin to try the air. It may seem as though you must drop to the earth, it won’t be. The little bird may feel very like falling, but it doesn’t fall – its opinions give it support, or, if they fail, the parent bird sweeps under and bears it upon its wings. Even so will God bear you? Only trust, the promises of God are there.

God is assuring you of safe landing. The shoes and clothes of children of Israel never torn or damage in the wilderness. Heavenly cobblers saw them through; there cloths are as new as ever! God shall give you heavenly shoe as well today. He is preparing you for signs and wonders. His shoes are of iron and brass, and you can walk to heaven in them without them ever wearing out. He has power over land and sea as well. With his life belts you may swim a thousand Atlantic upon them, and there will be no fear of your sinking.

Be with the father, try him, walk with him and you shall not regret you do!

PRAYER POINTS

1. Heavenly assurance to excel fall upon me in the name of Jesus.
2. Lord Jesus, feed me with your meal today.
3. O Lord, turn my scars to stars in the name of Jesus.
4. Every defeat and destruction prepared for me scatter in the name of Jesus.
5. O Lord, convert my trial to triumph in the name of Jesus.
6. O Lord, convert my test to testimony in the name of Jesus.
7. Agents of darkness that want me dead, die in my place in the name of Jesus.
8. Agents of darkness blocking my chance to excel, die in the name of Jesus.
9. Evil altar raised for my sake, catch fire and roast to ashes in the name of Jesus.
10. Every affliction in my family line, die and rise no more in the name of Jesus.
11. Every covenant of failure, in my life break in the name of Jesus.
12. Satanic investment draining my finance, catch fire and roast to ashes.
13. Every serpent and scorpion assign to destroy me, die in the name of Jesus.
14. Every strongman behind my problem, die in the name of Jesus.
15. O Lord, make me thirst for heavenly things in the name of Jesus.
16. O Lord, open my eyes to your greatness with faith to serve you.
17. Lord Jesus, enlarge my vision and spiritual eyes to excel.

18. O Lord, anoint my mouth with fire prayers in the name of Jesus.
19. Holy Ghost Fire, burn evil plantation in my life, pulling me from serving Jesus.
20. Powers that limit God in my life, die in the name of Jesus.
21. Holy Ghost, light new flame of prayer in my heart, in the name of Jesus.
22. O Lord, direct my steps right every day of my life.
23. Spiritual blockage in my spiritual ears, clear away, in the name of Jesus.
24. I shall not be a blind Christian that dwell in the valley of life.
25. Strangers assign to intimidate me out of God's house, die in the name of Jesus.
26. Spirit of understanding to know the world fall upon me.
27. Spirit of disobedience in my life, I bind and cast you out of my life in the name of Jesus.
28. My spiritual ears open, hear heavenly voice in the name of Jesus.
29. My spiritual altar, receive fresh fire of God, in the name of Jesus.
30. Anything that dwell in me, pushing me to commit error, die in the name of Jesus.
31. Powers that abort dreams and visions, and make one useless die in the name of Jesus.
32. I shall excel in everything I do, in the name of Jesus.
33. Lord Jesus, I am available I will serve you.

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CHAPTER ELEVEN

WHEN YOU WANT COURAGE FOR A TASK…CALL JOSHUA 1

Fruitfulness is loaded in courage. When glory awaits you only you must summon courage for the mountain climb. What blessings you shall find if only you would move to the uplands of God? Arise and shine, don't know what you lose in self-indulgence. Linger not in the low lands; don't be afraid to climb the mountains. Lack of courage made the steepness and ruggedness, dismay can make you stay in the misty valley. You must build courage to match on.

The Lord is our shepherd, we shall not want, neither in courage nor in accomplishing a task. Every task ahead and within are known to God. Jesus is always around us to help. Is it the steep bits that away our breath? Is it the strong paths that make our path ache?, or the hot shapeless stretches that make us feel so exhausted?, or the rushing rivers that we have to pass through?

Brethren, there is an answer to these questions. Jesus has gone through it all before us. He was made a perfect leader by the things which he suffered. The bottom line is, he knows we are created from dust. We are weak and he is ready to support and encourage us. He won't allow you take one step beyond what your foot is able to endure. He is a Master of situation. He either strengthens your step that it shall be able, or call a sudden halt, and you shall not have to take it at all, because of risks involved. He is never a loser, and can't begin in your days.

In whatever you do, have courage. The Lord cannot do much with a crushed soul. Hence the adversary's attempt to push the Lord's people into despair and hopelessness, so that tear can take over them and lose the battle. It has often been said that a dispirited army goes forth to battle with the certainty of being

beaten. If the enemy can dislodge us from our position, then he seeks to “wear us out”, by a prolonged siege, so that last we, succumbs to victory.

In the face of opposition, re-strategize. Take a leaf from Ezra when he was to re-build the temple. In the face of God’s earlier word through Jeremiah, backed with Cyrus’ decree and financial assistance, the building project was challenged, obstructed and delayed by satanically inspired oppositions. Despite oppositions, the children of Israel retreated, re-organize, came back with better greater force to work and construct the temple. The courage Ezra and his men displayed ended positively to the rebuild of the temple. When you phone God, he shall make the enemy pay for delays and losses suffered or incurred by you.

David was an example of gallant man in history of Israel. He applied conventional warfare tact’s in his encounter with Goliath. He took courage and ran towards him while Israelite soldier stayed at a distance. A courageous teenager indeed. He banked on faith which previously made him kill a lion and bear. To David, the boast of Goliath is nothing but empty. David phoned God and he answered him.

This time, David saw another opportunity for his God to display, his sovereign power. He challenged Goliath to duel, at the risk of his life. It was as if David’s courage burst forth in Jeremiah 1:8, **“Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you, declares the Lord”** With courage and boldness, he killed Goliath and won the battle.

David at this point onward became a winner and hero in the land of Israel. One thing I know is, winners are willing to do what losers don’t like doing. They do it not because they love it, but because it has to be done. It is courage that propels them to do it. Let’s learn to run to what others run away from, often times opportunity comes disguised as challenge or obstacles. Those who chicken

out or take the path of least resistance hardly ever locate hidden treasures.

There are promises that kindle fire of courage. The following Bible passages shall inspire courage, confidence and hope in you. They shall renew your strength and moral support.

Ephesians 6:16. " **Take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one".**

Joshua 1:9. " **Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go".**

1 Peter 1:7. **"Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you".**

Luke 10:19. **"I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy, nothing will harm you".**

1 John 4:4. **"You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world".**

Isaiah 41:10. **"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you: I will uphold you with my righteous right hand".**

Psalm 118:6. **"The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid what can men do to me?"**

Psalm 46:1 **"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble"**.

Psalm 3:6. **“I will not fear the tens of thousands drawn up against me on every side”.**

Nehemiah 4:14. **“Do not be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome…”**

Brethren, put on the armour of courage to withstand all weather and march forward by fire.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Any power assign to deflate my courage, die in the name of Jesus.
2. I will not be discouraged to serve God, in the name of Jesus.
3. Every impediment on my way, scatter in the name of Jesus.
4. O Lord, make me mountain top dweller in the name of Jesus.
5. O Lord, provide my needs, you are my shepherd, I shall not want.
6. No valley of shadow of death shall swallow me in the name of Jesus.
7. O Lord, let your rod and your staff comfort me, in the name of Jesus.
8. O Lord, do not let my enemy put me to shame, in the name of Jesus.
9. Every ancient door against my destiny, be pulled down, in the name of Jesus.
10. O Lord, anoint my head with oil of greatness.
11. O Lord, make me lead and live a blameless life in the name of Jesus.
12. Every power that advance against me to in order to eat my flesh, die in the name of Jesus.
13. Though army of darkness besiege me they shall scatter in the name of Jesus.
14. O Lord, set me high upon the rock of ages, in the name of Jesus.
15. Those that harbour malice against me, meet double failure in the name of Jesus.
16. Owner of evil load, carry your load in the name of Jesus.
17. I tear down and set on fire the camp of my enemy in the name of Jesus.

18. I worship you O Lord in the shadow of your holiness.
19. Every desert spirit assign to pull me down die in the name of Jesus.
20. Enemies that gather to laugh over me, burst to cry and be confuse, in the name of Jesus.
21. Lord Jesus, Great Physician, heal my wound in the name of Jesus.
22. Lord Jesus, turn my wailing to dancing in the name of Jesus.
23. Every trap set for me, catch your owner in the name of Jesus.
24. Lord Jesus, let me be glad and rejoice in your love to me, by your power.
25. Every anguish assign to consume me die in the name of Jesus.
26. Groan in the spirit, groan in the heart, die in the name of Jesus.
27. Enemies that want my eyes to grow weak with sorrow, take over me, in the name of Jesus.
28. My strength shall not fail in the cause of journey in life, in the name of Jesus.
29. O Lord, deliver me from stubborn pursuers with spirit to kill, in the name of Jesus.
30. Every lying lips against me be silenced in the name of Jesus.
31. My bones shall not waste away, I am a vessel in the hands of God.
32. I put on garment of mercy, I am favoured in the name of Jesus.
33. Songs of praise and songs of deliverance shall not depart from my mouth in the name of Jesus.

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