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FEEDBACK FROM OUR ESTEEMED READERS!

A phenomenal writer, a philanthropic one!
Having read and analyzed your two books: **MAXIMIZING YOUR TIME, & CAUSES AND CURE FOR DELAY IN GETTING MARRIED,** I and my colleagues are very glad to have read them, reviewed them and above all discussed them!
God bless you as you are an inspiration to many. Your writings are life changing
Keep the good work.
HILMARA IRENE, Tanzania.

It was a great honour when you set a time to talk to us one on one, my joy knew no bound. You even went ahead to share your new book: **CAUSES AND CURE FOR DELAY IN GETTING MARRIED** for the first time before its official release. I have learnt a lot from your books. May God grant you many more returns so that you can impact more lives.
Your materials are true treasure that I will forever cherish. I can't wait to read more books from you. Be blessed abundantly.
WINFRIDA M. MAGAWA, Tanzania

You have an amazing way with words. I can't wait to tear through all your books. I also really respect how amazing and genuine you are with all of your fans; you make US feel special. Congratulations and continue in your good work.
Advocate Mariam Mbano, Tanzania

Before and after joining Reading Marathon (Tanzania), I have read many books and only a handful have ever made me say, 'Wow!' **MAXIMIZING YOUR TIME** is a
life - changing gift to our generation and the generations to come! Your books are MUST READ for anyone who is determined to be better. God bless you!
Friedah, RM, Tanzania.

Pastor Gospel, God has blessed you not only with an amazing talent but also with a beautiful and compassionate soul.
The two books from you: **MAXIMIZING YOUR TIME, and CAUSES & CURE FOR DELAY IN GETTING MARRIED** are full of wisdom powerful enough to transform a person's life.
We must confess that we have learnt a lot from your work Sir and we will forever praise the Lord for blessing the world with your talent.
Remain blessed pastor.
READING MARATHON, TANZANIA

It was a privilege having you Pastor Gospel online in our Reading Marathon group....but we were more blessed to have read your two books: **MAXIMIZING YOUR TIME,** and **CAUSES & CURE FOR DELAY IN GETTING MARRIED.** These two books changed our way of seeing relationship and made us more alert concerning times and season. ASANTE.
Winnes Sunshine Lyaro, Tanzania

Good morning Sir. Nice to hear your audio book: **MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR LIFE.** I listen to it every morning to start my day. It's a great resource.
Emeka W. A, Nigeria.

Hello sir, I have just finished reading your first book: **MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR LIFE.** The book is so touching. I will be blessing the youths with it. How I wish I saw this kind of book when I was in Secondary School, probably I would have gone farther than I do. More grace sir, and more anointing in your ministry.
Gracious Oluomachi, Nigeria.

The book "Making the Most of Your Life" awakens a sleeping talent and it's a clarion call to those who have neglected God's gifts upon their lives to go back and put buried talents into use. The book spurs one into becoming a STAR PLAYER by breaking crowd and fan mentalities. I am tremendously blessed by the book and will encourage everyone to get a copy!
Augustine Sunday (Da Sword), Ph.D., Nigeria

Making The Most of Your Life, a really inspiring piece, well-written, simple to understand, short and captivating (filled with nuggets). Kudos! I wish you every blessing and may this book be a source of light and motivation to many. Bravo. Regards,
Dr. Mark Godwin MD, United Kingdom

Making the Most of Your Life is not just an inspiring book, but a spirited book. That book didn't just inspire me but it fan the embers of my spiritual coal ablaze! I cherish every choice of words and grammatical conventions you adopted. Although it's not voluminous but concise, it conveyed the intent of the message. I believe this is not just a book but an operational manual for Destiny realization and actualization! SHALOM!
Pst Victor Ibenne, Nigeria

Hello Sir, I am Josphat from Kenya and I have read your two powerful & destiny changing books. **MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR LIFE** ignited a fire in me to make an impact in my generation, especially the part on Enlisting Early. **MAXIMIZING YOUR TIME** also made me realize I do not have all the time to execute my mandate in my generation. I just shared **MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR LIFE** with some of my friends and they were left speechless. Your books are igniting fire here. God bless you for the excellent work you are doing of impacting this generation through your books. You indeed carry the DNA of Papa Paul Enenche.
Prince Frances, Kenya

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INTRODUCTION

There is no empty human being on earth, no matter who the person is. You are not an empty vessel, you have something (s).
The truth is, you came to the world pregnant (loaded), your assignment is to deliver (bring forth what you came to the world with). However, raw talent has limited value. Talent must be refined for it to be fine. You know, when gold is refined, its worth is increased. When crude oil is refined, its worth is increased. In the same manner, when your life is refined, you increase your worth.
Get ready, something is about to change in your life via this book.

#1 YOU ARE NOT AN EMPTY VESSEL

There is no empty man, woman, youth or child anywhere. If God created you, then you can't be empty. He cannot create an empty vessel. The meaning of that is this, anyone calling you an empty vessel doesn't know you. In Matthew 25:14-15, the Bible says, "For the kingdom of heaven is as a man traveling into a far country, which called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability…
From the above passage, it is confirmed that there is no empty human being.
Nobody is totally empty!

YOU HAVE SOMETHING (s).

God doesn't leave His people empty. We have many examples both from the Bible and in contemporary time.
To Joseph He gave the ability to interpret dreams, and proffer solution (Genesis 41:15).
To Moses He gave a rod, and with that rod, he sank the nation responsible for the captivity of God's people (the Israelites).
He gave Samson unusual might, and with it, he dealt with the enemies of God in his time.
David had multi-dimensional gifts - he was an instrumentalist, a song writer, warrior, a king, priest, prophet, etc.
Solomon was unusually endowed with supernatural insight (divine wisdom).
Elijah the Tishbite, had an unusual prophetic mantle, with which he fulfilled destiny (by making life miserable for the devil and his agents in his time).
Inside Mark Zuckerberg was Facebook.
Inside Bill Gates was Microsoft.
The Wright brothers, Orville and Wilbur Wright, created and flew the first aero plane.

Thomas Edison introduced electricity and electric light bulbs.
Oprah Winfrey, I learnt came out of an illegal relationship between two teenagers. However, she didn't come empty – she has what we call here in Nigeria the gift of a sharp mouth, and that same gift brought her where she is today.
Bill Cosby has the gift of making people laugh.
The truth is, if you can see what you carry, you will have no reason to envy others. Therefore, stop envying others because of what they have, rather, look inside you and discover what you have.
What God has put inside you is either an answer to a question or solution to a problem. In other words, your endowment is beyond you; It has a global and generational relevance.
Your potential is that which you do without struggle or stress. Other people struggle to do it, but you do it with ease (like fish in the water or bird in the sky). And one of the reasons why some people are still frustrated despite their gifts is that they take theirs for granted (the thing is so easy that they don't see it as a gift).
In conclusion, you are a container with contents on a mission to the continents of the earth to explode!

#2 NOBODY KNOWS YOUR REAL CAPACITY IN LIFE EXCEPT THE GOD THAT CREATED YOU

Nobody knows and understands you like your Creator. To know the capacity, ability or strength of a thing, you don't ask the thing, you ask the manufacturer. For instance,
No one understands Facebook like Mark Zuckerberg.
No one understands Microsoft like Bill Gate.
No one understands the Ford automobiles like Sir Henry Ford.
No one understands Honda like Mr. Soichiro Honda. In the same way, no creature understands human beings and their capacities like the Creator.

Human beings would always underrate, undermine and underestimate your potential.
Therefore, the world's evaluation of your life should not intimidate you. What they feel about you should not infuriate you. And that's because, nobody knows your real capacity in life except the God that created you. You don't even know your full potential; if you did, you would definitely behave differently.

Thomas Edison (the famous inventor of the incandescent bulb and of thousands of other inventions) failed Mathematics in grade three and was classified as a mentally retarded child. But later on, he became the father of Mathematics and Physics.

Bill Gates (the billionaire founder of Microsoft), I was told dropped out of college to pursue his passion in Mathematics and computers. Today, he ranks beyond many institutions, spending millions of dollars daily on charitable causes across the world.
Ben Carson was called all kinds of name by his school teacher. As a matter of fact, his teacher had concluded on his case. You know, human beings are good at concluding on people as if they created them. That same Ben Carson today is the world renowned neurosurgeon.

The meaning is, no examination has ever yet measured your potential.
The prophet's widow was in trouble, and the solution to her problem (a pot of oil) was in her house but she was not aware. In fact, she underrated the potential of that pot of oil. Later on, the same oil settled not only her creditors, but also herself and her family. 2 Kings 4:1-7. That gift of yours you are both neglecting and underrating can settle you and your family for life if well harnessed. Therefore, refuse to look down on yourself or on any gift of yours.

#3 REFUSE TO LIVE BELOW YOUR CAPACITY

Genesis 25:23 says, "And the Lord said unto her, two nations are in thy womb…"
The above text is concerning Esau and Jacob. They both had the capacity to become a nation each, but only Jacob ended as a nation (the nation of Israel). The meaning of that is that Esau under-lived and under-released his potential.

Friend, one of the worst things that can happen to anybody is to live below his or her capacity, and underperform, under-live or under-release his or her life's potentials. You can be more than what you are now. For instance, you may be running from witches and wizards, whereas you have been ordained by God to bury witches and wizards with an unusual apostolic and prophetic mantle.

Elijah carried a mantle capable of burying Jezebel, but because of his ignorance of the potential of that mantle, he was running from what should be running from him - 1 Kings 19. God asked him to anoint three men in order for what he carried to drop on them. Jehu (one of the recipients of that anointing), killed the woman Elijah was running from - 2 Kings 9:31-37.
You may be praying for healing in your body, whereas you have been destined by God to operate with an unusual healing mantle to deliver your generation.

The bitter truth is, many people are under-living their potential. Having what to eat and feed your family does not mean you are successful, it simply means you are surviving. Success is coming to a point where you are not just feeding yourself, your household, but also others. You are not here to just survive, but to succeed!
Also, it's possible that you are like Hagar in Genesis 21:15-19 asking for a litre of water, meanwhile Jesus is telling you in John 7:37 that you are a mobile river destined to refresh your generation. Hagar had a well in the Old Testament, but in the New Testament, Jesus Christ has given us rivers.

I saw something in verse 19 of Genesis 21, and it says, 'And GOD opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.'

Until God opened her eyes, she couldn't see the solution to her problem. May God open your eyes to see the things deposited in you.

#4 IF YOU DIE WITH YOUR GIFT, WE LOSE.

What happens when people die loaded? They enrich the graveyard and we lose. Your failure to maximize your potential has generational effect. You deprive your world the answer you were created to offer.

No wonder, Myles Munroe (of blessed memory) said, “The wealthiest spot on this planet earth is not the oil wells of USA, Kuwait or Saudi Arabia. Though it may surprise you, the richest spot on this planet earth lies a few blocks from your house. It is your local cemetery or graveyard. This is because, buried in the cemetery are books that were never written. The graveyard is filled with music we never heard, awesome ministries and companies that never got started.”

He went ahead to say that, “The graveyard is filled with businesses that never opened. It is filled with inventions we never used; ideas that were never shared; vision that never became reality; plans that never went beyond the drawing board of the mind, and purpose that were never fulfilled. The graveyard is filled with great, powerful women who died as prostitutes, and awesome men who died as alcoholics and drug addicts. The cemetery is a very rich place.” Our graveyards are filled with potentials that remained potentials. What a tragedy! This book you are reading now came your way, among other things so you can rob the cemetery.

Can you imagine this world without internet (social media, Gmail, Google, satellite, and others), telephone, cars, aircraft, electricity, generator, refrigerator, computer, etc.? Do you now understand the danger of failing to identify what your gift is and dying with it?
Now, imagine this world without the input of the following persons:
Billy Graham,
Archbishop Benson Idahosa,
Dr David Oyedepo,
Dr Paul Enenche,
Dr Myles Munroe,
Oral Robert,
Kenneth Hagin,
Lionel Messi,
Orville and Wilbur Wright brothers,
Dr Ben Carson,

Mark Zuckerberg,
Michael Dell,
John D Rockefeller,
Don Moen,
Mother Teresa,
Nelson Mandela,
Martin Luther King,
William Shakespeare,
Thomas Edison,
Oprah Winfrey, and many others who for want of space cannot be mentioned here.

The greatest tragedy on earth is not death but a life that has not released all that God deposited in him.
My counsel to you is, do not add to the wealth of the cemetery. The cemetery robs us anytime a person dies loaded.

God expects you to maximize your endowment to affect people in your life, nation, and probably your generation. God wants you to die empty. He wants you to die with nothing else left to do. He wants you to die because you've poured out all of your potential - ideas, vision, books, music, grace, inventions, innovation, publications, etc. That's the goal of life.

Apostle had this to say, “And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house.” Acts 20:20

#5 DO NOT DIE OLD, DIE EMPTY

Dying old is good, but dying empty is not only better, it is the best. What does it mean to die empty? It is the full deployment of potential, and this involves stretching to reach the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. It is squeezing out your content until nothing is left. It is the determination to squeeze yourself until no content is buried with you at the end of your life on earth. This is what it means to die empty.

The worst form of failure on earth is not the failure to make money, it is not the failure to make friends or even go to school; it is the failure to become everything God wants you to become.

Like I said in the last point, the goal of life is not going to the best school, getting a good job, driving the best car, using the latest phone, getting married or living in a beautiful house. As good as those things are, they are still not the main thing. Such a life as mentioned above is mere existence and survival. Therefore, dying empty - empty of everything God invested in you, is the goal of life.

Our Master Jesus Christ, was only 33years when He said, "It is finished." (John 19:30). That is the best statement of dying. He didn't say, "I was finished," because, we don't die, we are eternal spirits. He said, "It is finished."
This is what He was trying to say, "I poured out what I came on earth to pour out. I've completed my mission on earth." In other words, He finished His assignment on earth.
Do not die like Methuselah that had duration without donation. He lived for 969 years and all that was written about him was that he gave birth to children.

As I conclude this point, I want to charge you with these words: 'Go to the cemetery and disappoint the graveyard. Die like Paul the apostle who said, 'I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. That is to say, I've been poured out like a drink offering, there is nothing left. I am ready to die.'
Die because there is nothing else to keep you alive. Die empty.

#6 TALENT IS NOT ENOUGH

Every potential requires development before deployment.
No matter how endowed, gifted or talented you may be, without adequate training, you may still end up frustrated. You must understand that a major key to realizing your destiny (dying empty of everything God put inside you) is personal development, improvement and education, both in the Word of God and in the work of your hands.

Every eaglet was wired to soar (that ability is follow-come), but cannot be realized without rigorous training.

"If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength: but wisdom is profitable to direct."
Ecclesiastes 10:10

What sharpening does to a knife is what revelation, education and personal development will do to a person.

Benefits of Combining Talent With Training

First, you increase your worth and value when you sharpen both mentality and ability with the Word of God and knowledge of your gifting. You know, when gold is refined, its worth is increased. When crude oil is refined, its worth is increased. In the same manner, when your life is refined by revelation and education, you increase your worth. Raw talent has limited value. Talent must be refined for it to be fine.

Second, to reign in life, you must be trained. It is training that turns a trash into treasure. There is high competition in every field of endeavour, so, you need training to bring out the best in you in order to beat the rest. The truth is, those who don't work on themselves will eventually be relegated to the back!

Third, You are delivered from racism, prejudice or segregation when you excel in revelation of the Word and education of your mind. Joseph was a captive in a foreign land, but because he excelled spiritually and mentally, he could not be limited, neglected or relegated to the back. He became a principal person in a foreign land.

Friend, your problem is not the colour of your skin, but your contents. Also, your location is not your problem, just excel in your assignment, and your allocation will locate you in your location. David was in the wilderness, yet King Saul sent for him, because he excelled in playing musical instrument. You cannot be neglected if you know what you are doing.

Fourth, you become more effective and efficient when you increase your understanding and knowledge of both the Word of God and the work of your hands. You improve both your mentality and ability for efficiency.
Also, you eliminate your struggle and sweat in life. You must not sweat before you succeed.
Only experts excel, and expertise is a product of training and personal development, not a function of the papers you carry. Mere certificates hold little or no value in the market today, it is what you can do that sells.
Knowledge is not marketable, it is skill that we market. A Bachelor's degree in Computer Science does not give you a job, it is your expertise on the system that does. So, it's not about your degrees, but your deliveries. In developed countries, they celebrate deliveries not degrees.
Therefore, do not just celebrate your gift, give value to it by refining it.

YOU NEED THE RIGHT ATTITUDE

Nothing devalues skill like wrong attitude. Your aptitude is not enough, you need the right attitude to get to your desired altitude. A bad attitude or character is like a flat tire, you cannot go anywhere until you change it.
For instance, some people are good on their jobs, but they are so proud that they are sidelined when an opportunity for their lift comes. You can be heavily gifted and still be stagnated and frustrated if you lack the right attitude.
Your nature is what makes way for your future. Every great altitude stems out of a right attitude. Therefore, every negative nature will lead to a negative future. You need more than strength, skill or gift to scale through in life, so you must cultivate the right attitude.

#7 YOUR ENVIRONMENT AFFECTS YOUR ATTAINMENT

Your life is a seed, and environment is a major determinant of the growth of every living thing, be it plant or animal, man or beast.

The right environment, therefore, is a prerequisite for a favourable outcome of life.
Your environment affects your attainment in life. This means, the input you receive into your life from your environment affects the output of your life.
He that walks with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed, says the Bible.

One major aspect of your environment is the people you associate with, the friends you keep, the people you give your ears to.
Some time ago, I heard a story of a goat that grew among dogs. Suddenly, this goat began to behave like dogs. The goat would run out to welcome its owner wagging its tail exactly the way dogs do because it grew up in the midst of dogs. The goat also began to eat feces like dogs. What happened? The environment it lived corrupted its destiny.
I heard that story from my father in the Lord.

No matter how good a seed may be, its potential will be limited if planted in the wrong environment. Do you want to fulfil God's purpose for your life and become everything that God wants you to be? Your environment has a major part to play.
Your environment can raise or ruin you; it can help or hinder you; it can assist or resist you, it can bring the best in you or the worst in you.

My counsel to you is, if you are an 'Eagle' in destiny, avoid the company of 'Vultures.'
You never play your role at your best without a role model.
To reach the front-line in life, you need the influence of a front-liner. Every professional sportsman has a coach, who is heavily paid to enhance his training for expertise in his chosen sport.

You don't go to the wrestling ring just because you are called a wrestler in your village. For instance, you may be a good footballer in your neighbourhood, but you will need a coach to refine your gift before playing in the World Cup league.

Every great leader is an offspring of another great leader. No man is an island. Therefore, find out those who have gone ahead of you in the area of your gifting, and link up with them, particularly with the secrets that made them. You may never get to your fullest potential living without a mentor.

Make up your mind now to surround yourself with people that will inspire you, not those that will expire you. Surround yourself with mentors, not tormentors.

#8 ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY OR DIE A LIABILITY

Responsibility is the price of greatness. There can be no possibility without responsibility. And those who dodge responsibilities end as liabilities.

It's your responsibility to Recognize your potential,
Refine it, and
Release it to your world.
You came to the world pregnant (loaded), your assignment is to deliver (bring forth what you came to the world with).
No matter how endowed you are, without responsibility, you may die in obscurity. That's because, there is no future for an irresponsible man or woman.

You are absolutely responsible for the outcome of the issues of your life. Play it away today, and wriggle in pains tomorrow; invest maximally in it today and celebrate tomorrow.
There are things you cannot do for others. For instance, if your wife is pregnant, and she's due for delivery, will you push for her? No matter how much you love your wife, you cannot push for her. Similarly, in the matter of destiny, nobody can do it for you. Therefore, put yourself under positive pressure to deliver to your generation what God endowed you with.

IF YOU ARE NOT SAVED, YOU ARE NOT SAFE!

Success on earth and failure in eternity is a useless success. Eternity is real. There is life after death, and it's you who will choose where you will spend your eternity: Heaven or hell. The one you live for and how you live on earth determines where you end in eternity. Those who miss Heaven won't miss hell. The choice is yours. At this moment, if you have not given your life to Jesus Christ or you did it before but returned to your vomit, you are encouraged to do so NOW. Pray the following prayer meaning every word of it in your heart: "Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner and I cannot help myself. I have lived independent of you. Come into my life and change my life and destiny. I receive the grace to live for you by faith, serve you all the days of my life and to say NO to sin. I thank You Lord for saving me. Amen."

Now that you are born again, I would like you to be planted in a Bible believing Church near you, where you can be properly fed and nurtured in the Word of God. Congratulations and God bless you!

IF YOU PRAYED THIS PRAYER, OR YOU HAVE BEEN INSPIRED AND BLESSED BY THIS BOOK, I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU. KINDLY SEND ME YOUR EXPERIENCE!
Send a text to/call this line: +2348037065691.

God bless you Beyond Measure as you do so!

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