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CHAPTER ONE

THE WEAPON OF THE DUST

The devil is a war monger. He is a wicked fighter, and uses a lot of terrible weapons. It is costly to remain ignorant of the manner of warfare and the types of weapons which the devil uses against men and women. It is unfortunate that many believers are still using archaic warfare methods when the devil has gone nuclear. Many Christians are using blunt knives, and cutlasses, when the devil is using sophisticated missiles, demonic nuclear warheads, terrible bombs and wicked spiritual machine-guns.

There is no denying the fact that many believers are attacked by the devil in areas which they least expect. Many Christians and many non-believers are targets of demonic attacks. Such victims do not know anything about what they are going through. However, there is no premium on ignorance. To remain ignorant is to prolong your suffering.

Some people have wondered why believers who live in the end times are going through the kinds of mysterious problems which Christians who lived some 30 or 40 years ago knew nothing about.

The bane of the modern age is spiritual ignorance. The devil has been able to carry out wicked actions against millions of people because he has kept most of his activities and operations secret. Believers who want to win the end time battles must be ready to come out of their shells, cast off the garment of complacency and put on the armour of a fighter. If you want to experience victory, you must also be ready to go into new areas of spiritual warfare. You must match the devil, skill for skill, fire for fire, strategy for strategy and aggression for aggression.

This message is a rare message centred on a select area of spiritual warfare. The things which you are likely to read may sound novel to you. It is possible that you may find yourself treading a new ground, spiritually speaking, as

you read this book. Our brethren in the Western world may discover that they are treading a new terrain, spiritually speaking.

It is interesting to note that just as there are technological breakthroughs and scientific discoveries in the physical realm, there are also secret, demonic, scientific breakthroughs which need to be uncovered and dealt with squarely. Just like Apostle Paul emphasised that none of us should be ignorant of the devices of the devil, we must be able to undergo some spiritual mapping and research so that we can uncover and expose new local satanic strategies.

There is a phenomenon in the African continent which has continued to baffle juniors in the school of spiritual warfare. Those of us who live in Africa have discovered that the powers of darkness have become embarrassingly wicked in their activities. Therefore, none of us can afford to remain unperturbed.

The use of wicked and crude weapons has been responsible for acute poverty, mysterious sicknesses, untimely death, non-achievement, inability to get married and experience peace in the family and all kinds of situations that defy human logic.

We are examining how the devil has converted the dust to a weapon of destruction. I trust the Lord to grant you spiritual understanding and make you to see how the devil is fighting against you. You will surely discover how satan has used the weapon of the dust to place an embargo on various departments of your life. You will surely see and discover how the weapon of the dust has been used against your friends, relatives, colleagues and co-workers. You will also discover how to render the weapon of the dust ineffective in your life.

THE GENESIS OF THE DUST

Genesis 2:7 - And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life: and man became a living soul.

This passage reveals that man is a product of the dust. God created everyone of us - Asians, Americans, Europeans and Africans from the dust.

The only difference is that we became living souls because God breathed into us.

The name 'Adam', means 'of the earth' or 'earthy'. It means somebody that was taken out of the red earth or from the ground. If you have studied Genesis chapter one thoroughly, you would have discovered that animals were also formed from the dust of the ground.

Additionally, we are told that plants were formed from the dust of the ground. Scientists have confirmed that all the elements found in the body of man can also be found in the ground.

Another fact of life is that no matter how long you live, no matter how well you live and no matter where you live, you will go back to the dust at the end of your life. The older you become, the more you discover wrinkles on your face. The dryness of the skin also shows us that we are dust. When some people grow old they discover that some parts of the body begin to get cold. The blood vessels become hard. If you rub your body very hard you will discover dust particles on it. All these remind us of the fact that we all have the seed of death in our nature.

The human body begins to travel towards the destination of death right from its first moment on earth. The moment we are born into this world, we begin our journey by heading towards where we came from - the dust of the earth. The only thing that makes a difference in us is the breath of God.

Immediately the breath of God disappears, the body of man begins to go through the process of decay. What keeps us alive is the breath of God. The moment it is withdrawn, we go from being living souls to dust of the earth. The moment you look at the glorified physical features of man you are bound to forget that we are dust of the earth. It is funny, sometimes, when we dress dust in a flamboyant manner. How will you feel if you discover that the value of the human body is embarrassingly low when viewed along the perspective of the cost of a lorry load of sand? If we are to quantify or estimate the weight value of a typical man by the price of a lorry load of sand, an average man will cost about ₦150:00.

THE MYSTERY OF THE DUST

We are given further insight into the situation of mankind in Genesis 3:14:

And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

The pronouncement made against the serpent is spiritual rather than physical. Snakes do not eat sand. The serpent was supposed to eat dust. Man was also made from dust. If we bring these two facts together, we shall discover that when a man is operating under the old Adamic curse, he becomes the food of the serpent. Those who allow the old man to rule and reign in their hearts will become candidates for the belly of the serpent. You will begin to walk on the same cursed ground which Adam walked upon. You will be walking upon a ground which was supposed to bear thorns and thistles.

It is frightening to discover that man is the food of the serpent. This is the secret behind what is written in Psalm 27:2:

When the wicked, *even* mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh they stumbled and fell.

This passage brings the secret of eaters of flesh to the fore. The eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood are taking after their father, the devil. When any satanic agent tries to eat up anyone, what it sees in such a person is its food - the dust. What it does is not a secret in the demonic realm. It knows that the devil has been sentenced to eating the dust. It therefore, carries out the will of its father, the devil.

A woman spent all her money in looking after her son because the boy, who is her only son, took ill. She had to carry him to all the hospitals in the city, but no doctor was able to cure the boy.

However, she discovered the root of her son's problem when she took the son to a man of God. She expected him to sympathise with her, but instead of drawing sympathy from the man of God, he surprised her with this question: "Madam, what has this boy done to you?" She started crying and a few

minutes later, confessed what she had done with her son: "It is not my fault. We were told to bring our children for sacrifice. All the other people in our society brought their children. I discovered that I was the only one who has not brought my child. That was how I decided to give out my son as a sacrifice. It is a pity that I have already handed him over. They have already eaten up his liver. It is unfortunate, however, that all the doctors still believe that the liver is still intact. Although it is there physically, we've already finished it in the spiritual realm." That was how the liver of that boy was eaten as dust by the spiritual serpents.

The revelation which the Bible has given us is simple yet prophetic. Let us look at Genesis 3:19 once again:

In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and unto dust shalt thou return.

This passage shows us that man is nothing but dust.

Eccles. 3:20; 12:7 - All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again. Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

These two passages show us why people generally say "dust unto dust" and "ashes unto ashes" when they bury men and women.

DEMONIC PRACTICES

Dust is the final abode of the human body. We all have to return to it. It is indeed strange that we have a destiny with dust. However, the importance of what we have examined so far is centred on a secret. What is the secret? Although the dust looks ordinary, it can be used to summon a person or to cause havoc in a person's life. Many untimely deaths can be traced to evil manipulation of the dust. Powerful satanic priests and demonic agents have carried out lots of evil assignments by using the dust.

Some demonic high priests and wicked fetish priests pour libation on the ground and speak against the lives of their victims. Some are able to raise evil

spirits through incantations. Some occult and witchcraft agents have spoken to the dust of the earth using it against the lives of their victims. Since they know that man has been cursed to return to the grave, they have caused many people to die prematurely by speaking to the ground.

It is a very common thing among Africans in general and Nigerians in particular for some people to speak to the ground and make it open up. Some powerful fetish practitioners are generally reputed to be able to speak to the ground and make it obey them'. The fact that some Africans have discovered that the ground on which we walk, has lots of evil powers which can be made use of by members of the dark kingdom, has remained hidden for a long time.

In Nigeria for example, it has been discovered that some people often bury live cows, and goats in an attempt to achieve success, power and popularity. That is why we often come across men and women who place sacrifices on the ground. Some people believe that some evil beings can come from underneath the ground to accept such sacrifices.

Some wicked people have manipulated the dust and used it to summon some men before their time. A man ran away to London, thinking that the powers that manipulate the dust and use it as a weapon of destroying the lives of people could not reach him. He got there by using fake documents. He wanted to stay there as he knew the popular option available to those who desire to acquire citizenship. They generally have to marry citizens of the country.

The man was so desperate about remaining in London that he decided to get hooked to any lady, in a sort of temporary wedding - for a fee. He ran into a lady in a bar. The lady stated her price and accepted to go into a mock-wedding with the Christian brother who was actually married before he travelled overseas.

The normal practice was to interview a couple before they went through the wedding ceremony. The lady called the man on the phone just a few hours before the interview. She said, "Mister, apart from the money, which you have agreed to pay me you must also be ready to sleep with me if you want me to follow you to that interview." The man said, "No, that was not part of our arrangement."

The man thought that he had escaped from his enemies, but did not know that the lady was a satanic agent. He was in a dilemma and did not know what to do. Staying in England was a matter of life and death to him. He did not want to miss the opportunity. He also knew that the lady would not accept to go to the marriage registry with him if he did not meet her terms committing immorality with her.

Those who were close to him advised him to go ahead and do whatever the lady wanted since he could always ask God to forgive him after he had secured his residence permit. However, some Christians he phoned told him the truth. They made him realise that he would be committing a great sin against God by abandoning his wife and marrying another lady. They specifically told him that it was wrong for him to commit immorality with a lady just because he wanted to obtain a residence permit.

He weighed the two types of advice and decided to go ahead and get married to the lady. He went to the lady's apartment and committed immorality with her. They later got married the same day. The devil blinded him to the fact that the lady with whom he contracted the fake marriage, had contracted AIDS previously. He became infested with AIDS as soon as he had sex with the lady. He later died of AIDS and the residence permit became totally useless to him.

What he did not know was that demonic agents decided to eat him up like dust. Instead of packing his bag and baggage and coming back to Nigeria, he decided to allow eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood to kill him. He did not know that the invitation given to him by the AIDS patient was a direct result of the manipulation of the dust.

All living things, whether plants, animals, fishes and birds were produced from the earth and from the sea. Most of the materials which you now see came from the earth. This may sound strange to you. There are filing cabinets and records of information on all human beings living on the surface of the earth. The manipulators of the dust are able to use them against us.

PLACENTA MANIPULATION

As Christians, we must be able to turn the weapon of the enemy against him. It is, however, unfortunate that children of the devil and demonic agents understand this truth more than children of God. The Bible declares, "The children of this world are wiser in their own generation than the children of light." It is a statement of fact that the placentas of most Africans are buried in the earth. Through that singular act, a file has been opened underneath the ground in the satanic kingdom. Burying of placentas has made evil powers to establish covenants with the dust. These covenants have destroyed the lives of many people.

The act of burying the placenta is the secret behind many terrible sicknesses. It is also responsible for many terrible things. Someone wonders why a person whom he or she had seen the previous night simply did not wake up the next day. The weapon of the dust had been used against him. That is why I want you to pray this powerful prayer point.

My body, refuse to cooperate with my enemies, in the name of Jesus.

I hope you would not take that prayer point for granted. I want you to close your eyes, once again, and pray another prayer point along that line:

Any power summoning me to the dust, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.

Have you ever thought about why people pour sand on the dead? Why do people remove sand from underneath the feet of their victims in order to harm them? There is a common evil practice among wicked satanic agents. If they choose to make a person run mad, they will simply remove some sand from underneath his feet, chant some incantations on it and blow the sand into the air. The result is that the victim will instantly run mad. Sometimes they don't make their victims mad; they make them walk away and such people are never found.

Just like the sand that is blown away can never be recovered, the man who is made to walk into the bush or to some unknown place, will never be found again.

TRUE LIFE SITUATIONS

Tell me, why do some people appease the ground and worship it? Why do some idol worshippers pour libation on the ground? Why do many Nigerians press sand in order to destroy the lives of their victims? Why do some people use the dust as a medium of finding out the destiny of those who come to them for divination? Why do sorcerers and fetish priests pay homage to the ground? Why do they always praise the ground and appeal to it for favour as they offer sacrifices, chant incantations and carry out their evil assignments?

Why do some people swear by the ground? Why do some people use the soil as charm? Why do some fetish priests use some soil as part of their sacrifice?

Why do some soothsayers and fetish priests require certain things from the earth? Why are some people able to discover what lies ahead by inquiring from the soil? Why do these people get answers to their evil questions?

The answer is very simple. These children of the devil understand the awesome power which resides in the dust. They have been able to identify and know the power of the dust and how to use it to carry out their evil activities. The Bible actually makes it clear, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." The amount of knowledge which you have in this matter goes a long way in determining whether you will survive in these last days, or not.

From the depth of my heart, I actually pity Christians who are ignorant of the activities of the devil. Some Christians attend churches where most of the time is spent in dancing and singing. Some Christians cannot pray for more than 30 minutes in a day. No wonder, such Christians are dying prematurely. They are being attacked by evil powers in a diabolic manner. Those who have been given spiritual insight into what the devil is doing in these last days have discovered that it is indeed very dangerous for any believer to remain prayerless and lukewarm. You must, therefore, decide not to continue to stay in ignorance.

Ask an average Nigerian to tell you what the dust represents and you will get all kinds of answers. Although some people view the dust of the ground as sacred, very few know that it is being used by demonic agents to kill and destroy.

I remember some of the experiences which I had when I was a little boy. The primary school which I attended in Western Nigeria was located near a cemetery. Our teachers alerted us and instructed us what to do if we saw a ghost. We were told that if we ever came across a short creature or a ghost, we should take some sand in our hands and pour it on the ghost. We were assured that the ghost would automatically disappear. Although I never saw any ghost, I actually wanted to find out why we were told to use the sand to make the ghost disappear. It was simply because they knew that the dust could be used as a weapon.

I had another experience when I was a young man. I was attending a particular church but did not know that the pastor of that church had the power of vision. He did something which surprised me one day, during one of our services. I was sitting at the back during the service when he shouted at a woman who walked into the church with her baby strapped to her back, "Why are you walking into the church with your head upside down?"

His question shocked me. I actually saw the woman. She was carrying her baby and came into the church joyfully and singing along with us. She appeared like any other worshipper. But to my surprise when the pastor shouted, she simply smiled and told him, "I am very sorry. I didn't know that I would be detected." That kind of woman had a covenant with the ground. Instead of walking with her legs, she chose to walk with her head. The pastor ordered her to begin to walk with her legs or get out of the church. I did not see anybody walking upside down but I knew that what happened in the church that day was real.

A very strange event also occurred, recently, in one of the cinema theatres. Those who came to watch a film were shocked when they discovered that a man came there to collect sand from underneath their shoes. When the man was interrogated, he confessed that he wanted to collect the sand so as to use it for a charm which will attract customers into his business premises. The people realised that the man was trying to use the weapon of the dust against them.

Ignorance is costly. We are living in an era when ignorance can be very destructive. Therefore we must learn how to turn the weapons of the enemy

against him. There are many believers who have attempted building houses but could not complete them due to mysterious reasons. If you are going through such an experience, you must learn how to use the weapon of the dust against those who are using it against you.

If you have tried to build a house and you happened to have abandoned it at a particular level, you must use the weapon of spiritual warfare against the enemy and the abandoned building will be completed. What you need to do is to rise up and go to the site of your building and speak to the sand to cooperate with you, in the name of Jesus. You command the sand to refuse to cooperate with the power behind your inability to complete the building.

A 70-year-old woman could not complete a building. She had made desperate efforts to put some money together and started a building at her old age. However, she found it difficult to complete the building due to some mysterious circumstances. She was bombarded by problems from all angles before she came to the church. She had concluded that she was not going to be able to complete the building. However, we told her that she would complete it. She was instructed to go to the site, speak to the ground and do some spiritual warfare.

I thank God that she could pray. As soon as she finished praying aggressively and pronouncing judgement on all the powers that were using the ground as a weapon of making her abandon the building project, three pigeons came out of the ground, and were looking at her. She became afraid and initially thought of running away; but the Holy Spirit gave her boldness. She took a big stick and killed the three pigeons. She was further shocked when she discovered that the pigeons spoke in Yoruba language. They kept screaming until they died. She was able to complete that building after the incident.

There are hundreds of thousands of people who have failed to make progress in life because the weapon of the dust has been used against them. It is unfortunate that our enemies seem to have gone nuclear in their operations. These evil powers have invented new satanic technologies which they are using against us, without blinking an eye.

I want you to close your eyes once again and pray this prayer point, in

order to destroy such wicked satanic weapons.

Every power using the dust against me, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.

MOSES USED THE WEAPON OF DUST

Have you ever read about any man of God in the Bible who used the dust against his enemies? Moses was a unique servant of God who spoke to God mouth to mouth. He was a man who understood the Almighty. He exercised power and authority over the enemies of God's people. Immediately he took up the rod of God in his hand, he became a ruler. With that rod he wrested the kingdom from the hands of Pharaoh. If Moses could rule over his enemies, you too should, as a believer.

I want you to make this declaration: ***I shall rule over my enemies and they shall bow down to me, In the name of Jesus.***

How did Moses use the dust against the people of Egypt?

Exodus 8:16-17 - And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the land, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt. ¹⁷And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and it became lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

The dust became a weapon in the hand of Moses. He sent it on assignment and it was transformed into lice.

Let us also examine another instance of the use of the dust as a weapon.

Exodus 9:8-10 - And the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron. Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh. ⁹And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth *with* blains upon man, and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt. ¹⁰And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it

became a bolt breaking forth *with* blains upon man, and upon beast.

Again, Moses used the dust as a weapon. He converted ashes to dust and dust to weapons thereby afflicting the Egyptians with boils all over their bodies.

SALIENT POINTS

From what we have read so far we can draw the following conclusions.

- The dark kingdom uses the dust illegally as an extension of their government.
- The dust is their final point of a potency.

That is why they always pay homage to the ground. They draw their power from the dust. Although the dust is used predominantly by members of the dark kingdom, it can also be put into positive use by God's people.

Jesus Himself used the dust as a weapon to heal someone who was a victim of satanic attack. He came across a man who was blind because his eyes were stolen by wicked powers when he was in his mother's womb. Jesus mixed his saliva with the dust and rubbed his eyes.

John 9:6-7: When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay, ⁷And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

Jesus used the weapon of the dust to get to the root of his problem. Many people who are suffering today need to revisit their mother's womb if they must experience victory. You must take your warfare back to your mother's womb and recover what was stolen from you when you were in the womb.

- Witch-doctors, sorcerers, witches and wizards use the dust to fight against mankind.

They use the dust to control human destiny.

The dust is a very tough weapon. Listen to Mark 6:11:

And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto you, it shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrhah in the day of judgment, than for that city.

Jesus specifically instructed the disciples to shake off the dust under their feet against those who refused the gospel. That action is very symbolic. Jesus wanted them to use that weapon to counteract the government of the ungodly. The shaking off of the dust from their feet was both judgmental and the source of bringing problems into the lives of the people.

SOURCE OF THE WEAPON OF THE DUST

You may ask: Why is it possible for men to use the dust against themselves? According to the book of Genesis man was given dominion over every living creature, everything created by God. God took time to establish many ordinances. The sun was given its own assignment and likewise the moon. The ground was also given its own peculiar assignment. However, men polluted the divine order and began to use the dust of the ground to cause terrible havoc. The weapon of the dust has been converted into evil or demonic use. It is used to wage war on innocent victims.

God created human beings to be rulers over the forces of nature and over other creatures. Unbelievers and wicked satanic agents are also conscious of the fact that the dust is a material which can be put to positive or negative use, depending on one's knowledge.

We are given a very deep secret in Isaiah 24:5-6,

The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.

The earth or the dust has been corrupted. Satanic agents are aware of how a man of God like Moses used the dust as a weapon. They have therefore converted the dust to an evil weapon through their demonic knowledge.

A NIGERIAN EXPERIENCE

The latest satanic technology has become so pronounced in Nigeria and Africa. Satanic agents have changed the ordinance and broken the everlasting covenant. The Bible makes it very clear that men and women have become desolate, sickly, poverty stricken and confused because satan and his demons are using the dust to fight them. Many people's lives have been reduced to nothing because the power of the dust, has been used against them.

A lot of satanic embargoes have been placed upon people's businesses because of the weapon of the dust. Many people have been sent to untimely grave through the use of the dust as an evil weapon. If God could open your eyes to see the amount of wickedness and terrible problems which have been programmed into your life through the dust you will become angry with the agents of the devil.

Many people's good fortunes have been destroyed through the weapon of the dust. Many people have failed to achieve anything because a covenant has been made with the ground against their success. Many people become vagrants and beggars, because the ground has been cursed and instructed to fight against them. Many people have been programmed into non-achievement by their enemies who spoke to the ground and used it against them. Many people have had terrible accidents because wicked men and women who know how to speak to the ground decided to exercise such a power against them.

Many people have put in so much effort and achieved nothing because evil objects have been buried in the ground against them. A lot of people have manipulated the dust against the lives of those who never offended them. Some witches and wizards have entered into covenants with demons that dwell in the ground to finish the lives of men and women. None of us should be ignorant of these things. We must get to a point where we must be able to stand our ground and refuse to be destroyed by powers that are expected to be

under unto us.

Do you know that you can use the ground against wicked men and women? Do you want a fetish priest to fold up? All you have to do is to command the dust to begin to work against him. When such a fetish priest stands up to chant incantations saying "I pay homage to the ground," the dust will rise up against him. If such a fetish priest tries to mention your name in an attempt to use the dust against you, the dust will turn against him. You can spiritually, sprinkle the dust against satanic priests. You can command the dust to be transferred to the houses of wicked satanic agents and command it to fight against them. You can ask the wind of God to carry the dust to the houses of demonic agents.

A believer should never fear the devil and his agents. Although we are aware that the devil has lots of wicked weapons, nevertheless, we know that God has a weapon for bringing down and destroying every satanic weapon.

Do you know that there is a David for every Goliath, a Moses for every Pharaoh and every satanic weapon has a corresponding heavenly force that can destroy it? The power of God is great enough to enforce obedience. The promises of God are backed up by the power of God. If you pick up the dust by faith, speak to it and sprinkle it into the air, it will surely be carried by the wind of the Spirit of God to the camp of those who are using it against you.

I want you to close your eyes again and pray this prayer point with holy anger.

Evil covenants formed with the dust against me, be broken by fire, in the name of Jesus.

As many satanic agents as have laid rods on the table, my rod shall swallow them, in the name of Jesus.

Many people have been chased out of their places of prosperity when the enemies spoke to the dust against them.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DUST

What are the characteristics of the dust?

Dust cannot move fast. Satanic agents possess that knowledge. They know that the dust can be used to slow down people's progress. Some people have been transfixed to the same spot through the Weapon of the dust.

Dust comes quietly and settles unnoticed. Those who use the weapon of the dust are generally able to programme subtle and silent poison into the lives of people.

Dust is an irritant. It can be used to programme hatred into somebody's life. When the weapon of the dust is used against a person, people will find him or her irritating.

Dust messes things up. Demonic agents are able to speak words to the dust and the whole system of the body will begin to wage war against your bodily system. Dust can be used to mess people up.

Dust is fragile. Dust can be used to sap the stamina of a man or a woman. When such a weapon is used against you, you will find it difficult to sustain prosperity in any good thing that comes to your life. They can use the dust to afflict anyone with energy sapping and paralytic sicknesses.

Dust is common and weak. The dust can be used to demote a person and render his or her destiny null and void.

Dust can be thrown about or scattered by every bit of air movement. Wicked people can programme the dust in such a way as to make their victims become a nonentity -a rolling stone that gathers no moss. They are able to use the dust to turn intelligent men and women into vagabonds. They make such people move about without any sense of direction.

Dust is generally useless. It can be used to programme uselessness into the lives of men and women.

Dust is defenseless. It can be used to render a person powerless and defenseless. It means that every aspect of our lives can be affected by the dust.

THE EVIL VEHICLE

The magnetic and the catching power of witches, wizards, wicked people and satanic medicine men reside in the dust. Their charms cannot work without the dust. They use the dust as a vehicle for conveying their spells to their victims.

There is a very strange verse in the book of Isaiah.

Isaiah 29:4 - And thou shalt be brought down, *and* shalt speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the dust, and thy voice shall be, as of one that hath a familiar spirit, out of the ground, and thy speech shall whisper out of the dust.

Here, the Bible reveals what demonic people, fetish priests, and members of the dark kingdom do. The Bible makes it very clear that some people speak to the dust.

By speaking to the ground, they use the weapon of the dust to destroy the lives of men and women. Local witch doctors, fetish priests, wizards, witches and hard core occult men and women mix incantations with the power of the dust and send evil arrows to their victims. As soon as an evil command is whispered to the dust, their victim is in trouble.

Such people generally make statements like:

–"As long as this man is a victim of the dust, evil spell go and catch him."

–"As long as this woman will return to the dust, you evil spell, go and catch her."

–"As long as the feet of that young man touches the ground, let the dust destroy him."

–"Let the life of so and so be destroyed."

–"Let evil flow into his life."

–"As long as the dust is carried by the wind, you evil spells catch that woman."

–"As long as she eats fruits, food and plants which are brought out from the ground, let her be in trouble."

These are examples of how far wicked men and women have gone in destroying people. However, as a child of God you are expected to take the same weapon which evil powers are using and turn it against your enemies. You can close down the shrines of every witch doctor that is working against your life by using the weapon of the dust against them.

THE HOUR OF BATTLE

If you are facing the problem of extremely stubborn witchcraft, you will silence it forever when you begin to use the weapon of the dust against it. You can use the dust against the enemies of God, the way Moses used it against the Egyptian magicians and they could not withstand him.

The case of a particular brother who faced threats from the camp of the enemy in his place of work should be a challenge to us. The Christian brother was promoted to an exalted position in his place of work. The enemies never expected him to attain such a high post and were very clear in their threat. They vowed that the brother would not enjoy his new position as long as they were alive. Suddenly, he developed asthma at the age of 37. The brother never had asthma before. It was indeed a strange sickness. Whenever he sat on his official seat, he would begin to have asthmatic attack. His friends would run helter-skelter until he was injected, then he would calm down. That would be the end of that day's job. He was no longer effective in his job.

His company held a crucial board meeting and all the foreign partners and directors were in attendance. It was a rather long meeting. When it was his turn to read an important report, he started, and suddenly, he had an attack. The white man who came was quite unhappy about the situation. He queried the senior officials of the company: "Why must you allow such a sickly fellow to hold a very crucial position? As the brother escaped being sacked on the spot, he ran to a man of God who told him that somebody must have been spoken to the dust and used to programme asthma into his life.

The man of God told him to go home and speak to the dust. He was told to pray, "O God, I take the dust of the ground by faith. I put the dust into Your hand. O Lord, transfer the dust back to the house of the fetish priest who has been hired to programme asthma into my life." Problems began to happen in

the camp of the brother's enemies. The first fetish priest fell down and died. The second one also fell down and died. The brother went to the office the next day, only to discover that his assistant in the office whom he loved specially, suddenly developed asthma. The brother was also surprised that his asthma suddenly disappeared. He experienced deliverance because he used the weapon of the dust against his enemy. That was how the brother retained his job.

What do you think would have happened if the brother had not known how to use the weapon of the dust? He would have been sacked. He would have also lost his life along the line. If he had gone to heaven through that asthmatic attack, he would not have been accorded a heroic welcome. God would have told him; "You are welcome. You are however an ignorant child. You did not fulfil your destiny. There is no crown waiting for you here because you allowed ignorance to kill you. You did not die when you were destined to die. You were summoned by the dust."

Would you like to receive that kind of divine rebuke from God? You must become angry with the devil, today. You must rise up with holy madness and use the weapon of the dust to fight against the devil and his wicked agents.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Any power using the dust to control my life, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.
2. You ground, vomit every enchantment against me, in the name of Jesus.
3. You ground, open up and release my portions, in the name of Jesus.
4. Any power mixing incantations with the dust against me, fall by your sword, in the name of Jesus.
5. O God, as I release this dust, let it travel to every messenger of darkness working against my life and by this dust let every stubborn yoke in my life break, in the name of Jesus.
6. Visualise that you are holding dust in your hand by faith now and begin to say, "I sprinkle the dust against you messengers of the darkness, in the name of Jesus.

7. Let God arise in His anger and fight for me.
8. I refuse to allow my angels of blessings to depart, in the name of Jesus.
9. I cancel every evil effect of names from evil origins in my life, in the name of Jesus.
10. I paralyse all aggression addressed at my star, in the name of Jesus.
11. I neutralise all problems originating from the mistakes of my parents, in the name of Jesus.
12. Lord, bring honey out of the rock for me.
13. Lord, open up all the good doors of my life that household wickedness has shut.
14. Let all anti-breakthrough designs against my life be shattered to irreparable pieces, in the name of Jesus.
15. I paralyse all satanic antagonism from the womb, in the name of Jesus.
16. I command open disgrace on the mask of the enemy, in the name of Jesus.
17. I paralyse all evil legs roaming about for my sake, in the name of Jesus.
18. Let all evil blood that has mingled with my blood be drained out, in the name of Jesus.
19. I trample upon every enemy of my advancement and promotion, in the name of Jesus.
20. I break every evil collective unity organised against me, in the name of Jesus.
21. Let all evil counsellors against me follow the wrong programme, in the name of Jesus.
22. Let the backbone of the stubborn pursuer and strongman break, in the name of Jesus.
23. I destabilize the controller of any land of bondage in my life, in the name of Jesus.
24. O Lord, enlarge my coasts beyond my wildest dream.
25. Holy Ghost, seal all pockets that have demonic holes, in the name of Jesus.
26. Let the fire of disgrace fall upon demonic prophets assigned against my

life, in the name of Jesus.

27. No dark meeting held on my behalf shall prosper, in the name of Jesus.
28. I claim back my goods presently residing in wrong hands, in the name of Jesus.
29. Let the blood and strength of stubborn oppressors dry up, in the name of Jesus.
30. Let the head of every serpent power fashioned against me be broken, in the name of Jesus.
31. Every evil bird stealing my blessings, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.
32. Let my breakthrough appear and let my failures disappear, in the name of Jesus.
33. Let the head of every marine power fashioned against me be broken, in the name of Jesus.
34. Let every evil trend directing my affairs be reversed, in the name of Jesus.
35. O Lord, uproot evil things from my life.
36. O Lord, plant good things in my life.
37. I cancel every unconscious negative agreement, in the name of Jesus.
38. Lord, make me Your sharp battle axe.
39. Let every spiritual weakness in my life receive termination, in the name of Jesus.
40. Let every financial failure in my life receive termination, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER TWO

EATERS OF FLESH AND DRINKERS OF BLOOD

Let us begin this chapter by praying the following prayer points.

1. I cover every department of my life with the fire of the Holy Spirit, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every evil power that is pursuing me, be paralysed, in the name of Jesus
3. Whatever has been put on my body for a very long time, be uprooted now, in the name of Jesus
4. You serpent and scorpions, I tread upon you, in the name of Jesus.

I mentioned in the first chapter of this book that ignorance is a terrible disease. It has killed more people than most of the diseases which we dread in the world today. The Bible says, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" The fact that you are ignorant does not excuse you from the consequences of remaining in the dark.

Lack of knowledge in a particular matter or possession of much information concerning it does not really mean anything. Millions of people are suffering in spite of the fact that they know what is happening to them. The moment you break a spiritual rule you are liable to suffer. There is no denying the fact that medical science has proved quite beneficial to the whole of mankind. However, scientists and those who belong to the medical profession agreed that medical science has also proved grossly inadequate and limited. Medical science can only heal sicknesses that are rooted in the physical realm, it cannot heal any sickness that is spiritual in nature. An x-ray machine or a microscope that can detect a demon is yet to be manufactured. To be precise, it can never be manufactured. Doctors and nurses are doing some good job but they have discovered that they can only cure physical sicknesses.

It is common knowledge that man is made up of three components: spirit, soul, and body. The fact that is unknown to many people, especially the unsaved, is that evil spirits can attack, and live in any part of the body. Those whose sicknesses can be traced to evil spirit attacking or dwelling in certain parts of their bodies will discover that medical science can do little or nothing.

There is a very interesting story in the 13th chapter of the gospel according to Luke.

Luke 13:16: And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?

What was that woman's problem? Let us read verse 11.

And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up *herself*.

The Bible tells us the root of this woman's problem. It was not physical but spiritual.

A very wicked spirit of infirmity was behind what she was going through. No wonder she suffered terrible health condition for 18 years. Jesus solved her problem by going straight to its root. Medical doctors have therefore discovered that no physical solution can be proffered for spiritual illness.

Demonic problems do not respond to physical solutions. When somebody is possessed or afflicted by demonic powers, the spirit, the soul and the body are completely taken over by evil spirits. Demonic oppression differs significantly from demonic possession. People are oppressed in diverse ways. Some people are poisoned, while others discover that strange, unseen objects begin to move all over their bodies. Many people have discovered that they are very sick in spite of the fact that X-ray machines have not detected anything.

A lot of people also go through a demonic obsession. This group of activities of demonic powers show that there are powers that we cannot see with our eyes which we have to fight or contend with. When the spiritual

representation of an organ in the body has been eaten up by evil spirits, the organ will be physically present but it will not function properly. You can go through all kinds of medical check-ups in the world and doctors will not be able to detect what is wrong with you.

Some people feel that their doctors are not competent so they attempt to consult better doctors who they believe will solve their problems. By the time they consult the new doctors, they are given the same diagnosis. A lot of people have consulted dozens of doctors in order to experience a relief or the total healing of their diseases. The most competent doctors in the world will always fail whenever they come face to face with a sickness that takes its root from evil spirit.

A lot of wickedness is perpetrated in the dark kingdom. One of the most wicked societies in the spiritual realm, is the society of eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood.

Eaters of flesh have only one food: the human flesh. Drinkers of blood have only one favourite drink: the human blood.

Eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood generally form covenants with the air, water, earth and fire. Once that kind of covenant is formed, their victims will no longer have peace. As long as their victims come in contact with air, land, sea or fire he cannot escape the attack. Is it really possible for any human being to avoid these elements?

An incident took place several years ago. A boy was sick to the point of death and the sickness lasted for several years. Incidentally, the boy was the only son of his mother. The mother spent a lot of money to cure the child of this ailment. She combed all the nooks and crannies of the town and tried both orthodox and local traditional medicine. She went through a lot of anguish and pain in her efforts to get the health of her only child restored. She even took him to England to have medical experts look into his case. Specialist doctors ran him through series of tests. However, all their efforts proved abortive.

The boy was brought back to Nigeria and taken to a very powerful prayer

house where white garment prophets and visioners battled desperately to save his live. At the end, the 'white garment herbalists' also failed. The boy was carried to the shrines of fetish priests but they couldn't tell what was wrong with him. He began to grow pale and lean.

As God would have it, the boy's mother found her way into the house of a true prophet of God who prayed and discerned the source of the sickness. The prophet looked at the woman and said, "Madam, what has the poor boy done to you." The woman, who had taken the boy from one hospital to the other and from one herbalist to the other for seven years, broke down and wept. She then confessed her membership of a demonic cult. By agreement it was binding on every member of the cult to donate one of their children at an appointed time. It was her turn to sacrifice her son seven years back, but she refused to hand him over. She confessed that her son's liver had been eaten up. She concluded her confession with a plea for assistance and deliverance for her son.

This is a typical example of the activity of the eaters of flesh. The Bible tells us that the children of the world, are in their generation wiser than the children of light (Luke 16:8). Satanic people have eaten up parts of some people. Some people look healthy but their intestines are not functioning properly because they have been eaten up.

A brain could become dormant due to the activities of the eaters of flesh. Some people without any explanation, experience memory black out; some bladders are made to malfunction. A very young person could have the diseases and sickness of old age. These are the activities of eaters of flesh. Sometimes the disease that is diagnosed as cancer in the hospital may be due to the activity of the eaters of flesh.

The Bible says, "When the wicked even my enemies and my foes came upon me to eat up my flesh they stumbled and fell, (Ps. 27:2). Eaters of flesh are wicked beyond description. They can convert human beings into all kinds of animals. Some of them convert human flesh into meat which is sold in the local markets. That is why you must always pray over your food before you eat it.

A lot of people have carelessly consumed human flesh some wicked people

have used human blood as palm oil. Some wicked satanic agents who rub lipsticks are actually eating human flesh. Wicked demonic agents turn human beings into horses and ride them. They urinate on the heads of human beings. Once that happens, the person will not prosper in life. When such people build houses, tenants will not come to hire it. If tenants hire the houses they will not pay their rents. Those who really want to pay their rents will be unable to pay when they are fired their places of work.

Some traders have discovered mysterious cob-webs on their walls, and have wondered how they came into being. Wicked eaters of flesh are generally able to see beyond the physical realm. They have the power to see what others cannot see.

They could take people's organs for use in demonic activities. The owners of these organs would eventually discover strange sicknesses in those organs. The stress and pains are then transferred to the owners of the organs. We have seen examples of those who beat their housemaids and wake up to find stripes of a whip on their bodies. Some demonic people refuse to grow old by replacing their old organs with fresh ones from younger people. Evil powers can also substitute a life for another.

Sometimes, when people are at the point of death, they transfer their death to others by offering sacrifices of goats and other animals. We have heard cases of people being threatened with death by evil spirits, although such people are church goers. People have been delivered of demonic spirits in the form of rats and some other animals. There are many people in our society whose brains, bellies, womb, livers and intestines have been completely eaten up by eaters of flesh.

Those who consult witches, fetish priests and diviners, expose themselves to eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood. These satanic agents offer temporary assistance to their victims. They blind their victims with temporary solution to their problems. Some eaters of flesh operate under the guise of prophets. However, the Bible tells us that by their fruits we shall know them. Most of the visions which are seen by fake prophets are planned in the society of eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood.

Eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood are easily attracted by certain things which people do innocently. For example, they are easily attracted by burning of incense and occult use of flowers and demonic perfumes. Why don't you close your eyes and pray these relevant prayer points?

All the activities of eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood, fail completely in every area of my life, in the name of Jesus.

Father Lord, give me a fresh anointing to defeat every negative force, in the name of Jesus.

There are three heavens. One, the atmospheric heaven. Two, the second heaven, which happens to be the headquarters of demonic activities. It is the most wicked heaven in the universe. The third heaven is the throne of God. The demonic world has a strange store called an infirmity store, otherwise known as bank of sicknesses. The bank contains sicknesses like leprosy, blindness, deafness, poverty, dumbness, madness, paralysis, laziness, stomach trouble, skin rashes, and others which are yet to be introduced to the physical world.

A witch cannot go to the special bank of sicknesses, pick up a particular disease and put it in the body of anyone. She will depend on another witch who is familiar with the victim, and is a member of the household of the victim.

Eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood send insects, mosquitoes, scorpions, millepedes and centipedes to the blood of their victims. Some of them drink men's blood and use it to fry delicacies. Once the drinkers of blood are in operation, such person will live a confused life. He will become unhealthy and lose weight rapidly. This is generally the problem of those who fall down and die without any previous sickness. It is unfortunate that some people walk barefooted to some spiritual homes without knowing that their blood could be sucked from their feet.

When you allow incisions to be put on your body, you are submitting your blood to the devil for spiritual manipulation; you are making a hole in your body through which your blood could be sucked, and you are making a strong covenant with your blood. The Bible says that your life is in your

blood, therefore you are making a covenant that will affect your whole life. So, if you have incision marks on your body, you need deliverance by the Lord Jesus Christ. The reason for many road accidents is not careless driving as many people think. Rather, such accidents are remotely induced by blood-drinking demons, under the guise of careless driving.

Some people's problem started when they visited their towns or villages on holidays. They made the greatest mistake of their lives by leaving out some people when they distributed money to members of their extended family.

A particular man travelled home with a bundle of fifty kobo notes which he distributed to members of his family. However, he made a mistake when he forgot to give one to a young girl in the extended family. The little girl felt slighted and started to deal with him. The man did not know that the young girl was the leader of a very wicked demonic association in the village. She descended on him and began to drink his blood. The man tried to appease her and received temporary relief. Then she changed gear and began to afflict him with the spirit of poverty. He was pushed into pools betting and kept on playing, until he became extremely poor.

An incident took place ten years ago. A woman brought her lean daughter to the church for deliverance. They were surprised that the young girl was so demonically strong that her fat mother could not hold her. The mother narrated a very strange story which bordered on the strange experiences which the daughter was going through. According to her mother, the young girl suddenly lost her voice and began to behave like a mad person immediately after she finished taking her examination. They took her everywhere in search of help but the situation remained stubborn. I told the mother that the problem would be solved when the young girl and the mother, who was also demonised, went through our deliverance programme. The mother of the girl felt that our own method was too slow and decided to take the young girl to the house of a fake prophet.

As soon as they narrated the problem to the fake prophet, he simply instructed them to bring all the dresses of the girl to his house for burning. The mother felt that it was an easier option and complied. When all the clothes were burnt, the girl started talking and began to behave normally. The

mother was happy, thinking that her daughters problem was solved. She did not know that it was a temporary relief and that the problem would come up again. Exactly two years later the man put the young girl in the family way and all her problems came back in full force.

When eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood are about to go on their mission and you happen to be living in the same environment with them they will manipulate you spiritually and you will not be able to wake up. Even if you were lying down on the same bed with them they will use their evil power to make deep sleep to fall upon you until they have gone and come back from the evil meeting. On the other hand, if you happen to be their target of attack they will make you to sleep and you will remain asleep until they have eaten any part of your body they desired to eat.

A young man had a problem of impotence and decided to consult a fetish priest, thinking that he would help him. The fetish priest consulted the oracle and discovered that a certain lady he had jilted had chosen to punish him by taking his male organ to their demonic bank. The fetish priest told him, "You will remain in that condition unless something is done to retrieve the organ from the demonic bank." At the end, the fetish priest made some sacrifices and retrieved the organ and the man became normal.

Immediately he discovered that he had recovered he ran away. He never went back to complete the payment for what the fetish priest did for him. The fetish priest became angry, seized the organ and handed it back to the demonic bank.

Another method used by eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood is to carve the image of their victim on a piece of wood. With that carved image they can cause the victim to be barren, or impotent. They can cause him paralysis or render him useless for life. They can manipulate his life until he is destroyed. They will simply command problems into the carved image. Whatever is commanded into the image will happen in the real life of the victim.

For example, if they rub pepper on the carved wood, the victim will continue to feel peppery sensations on his body. Such a victim can never be free until the fire of God destroys the carved image which is the point of contact with the demonic powers.

Twin babies have been manipulated into terrible situations through such carved images. Those who were born as twins have continued to be manipulated through carved images. Some ladies have been manipulated to marry men whom they never liked through the use of carved images.

Some people have continued to suffer hypertension through the activities of wicked eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood. When such people insert a nail into the carved images, the victims who are represented by the images will begin to suffer stroke or hypertension. They will not experience any relief until the effect of the evil nail is nullified through the blood of Jesus.

These evil manipulations are carried out in the lives of those who do not know the Lord. They cannot afflict Christians who are on fire for the Lord.

Some wicked eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood can carve images and put the clothes of their victims on them. When they want to kill a victim, they put such an image into a coffin, conduct a demonic burial, and their victim will die instantly.

Eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood eat up their victims when they are still alive.

I remember the case of a particular student who always slept whenever he got into the examination hall. He was always awake when he was outside the examination hall. He would fall asleep immediately the invigilator asked everybody to start, and woke up exactly when the examination was over.

The Holy Spirit exposed the root of his problem. It was discovered that his name had been arrested and put inside palm oil. Whenever he was sitting for his examination, evil powers would programme the palm oil to congeal. As soon as the examination was over, the palm oil would begin to flow and then the boy would wake up.

Eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood attack their victims at the slightest provocation.

Two women who were living in the same house swept the compound in turns. It came to the turn of one of the women to sweep. She swept, but the other woman accused her of neglecting her own side and decided to punish

her. She simply asked her, "Are you arguing with me? Do you want to prove that you are too big to sweep the compound properly? I'm going to show you that 'woman pass woman'."

The other woman thought that what she said was a joke and went to bed that night thinking that the quarrel was over. She woke up the following morning to discover that her bed was soaked with her urine. She couldn't believe herself. How could a 45-year-old woman suffer from enuresis? That was how she began to bed-wet when she had passed the age of 45. She was not able to control her bladder from that night. She remained in that condition for a very long time, until she attended a crusade where God singled her out, and put an end to this very shameful mysterious problem. She came out to give her testimony, "Now I know that woman pass woman, but God is greater than all."

Eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood sometimes borrow people's organ. As long as the organ is burled, the owner will not be able to make use of it. These satanic agents actually confiscate and make use of other people's bodies to carry out their assignments.

A lady once came out to tell us how she used to bury other people's hands and legs to perform acrobatic dances. She would display with extra human power and everyone would wonder how she came about such strength and ability. As soon as she concluded her show, her limbs would be as strong as ever. She explained to us that the persons who suffered pain were those whose limbs were used for the acrobatic display.

This reminds me of a particular incident I witnessed. An evangelist who did not possess enough fire decided to deal with a serious demonic case. The girl who suffered from minor insanity was brought to a prayer ground. When the evangelist discovered that she was uncontrollable, he decided to flog her with a cudgel. The girl was just smiling while the period of beating lasted. The evangelist did not know that there was a reason behind the girl's strange behaviour.

As soon as the evangelist finished flogging her, he began to cry. He shouted for assistance. When fellow ministers came around it was discovered that some strange invisible hands were flogging the evangelist. The

evangelist violated a principle of the word of God. Instead of casting out the devil he resorted to the use of a cudgel to deal with it.

Some people have come to me with swollen hands after beating their house maids. Such people later knew that they were dealing with young eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood.

A demonic man got converted some years ago. He told us that it was dangerous for believers to allow their children to collect food shared by those carrying out sacrifices in the community. He specifically told us that those people who distributed bean cake, rice, meat, fried fish and other food items had actually used them to kill some children. If somebody was looking for a child he might be told by fetish priests to prepare bean cake and distribute to as many children as possible. At the end, some of the children who ate such food would die while the woman, who carried out the sacrifice, would eventually get pregnant. An evil exchange has taken place.

Eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood sometimes carry out their activities in the open.

I remember a particular incident which took place in a government office several years ago. Somebody was promoted as head of the department and he began to think about how to enjoy the benefits of his promotion. Another employee walked up to him and said: "Although you have been promoted, I want to tell you that this exalted office is not meant for you. You are going to die within six days." True to the evil prediction the head of the department took ill and died.

The next person promoted as head of the department happened to be a Christian. The eater of flesh and drinker of blood came up as usual. He told the Christian: "You are not going to last long on this seat. You will die within seven days." The believer, who happened to be a no-nonsense, fire brand, boldly went to the office of the wicked wizard and said to him: "I just want you to know that I am not going to die. Your seven-day deadline will come and pass." The brother kept on doing so until the seven days were over. That Christian brother is still alive today. Thank God he knew how to make use of the power of prayer.

You cannot come up with the proper estimation of the kind of wickedness which eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood generally perpetrate until God opens your eyes.

We were praying for a very lean man many years ago, and three giant rats came out of his body. The man couldn't believe that his body was housing those giant rats when he was as tiny as a broom stick. Those rats had sucked him dry.

A brother, who was formerly a member of the blood drinkers club, once told us how he used to drink human blood before he became born again. He was actually well off and had a car. Whenever he was thirsty and felt like drinking some blood he would park his car and board a public vehicle. On this occasion he went to the motor park and boarded a vehicle which he programmed to have a terrible accident. A particular spot was earmarked for the accident. If the accident took place, blood would begin to flow.

Luck ran out for him when he entered the same vehicle with a Christian brother. As the vehicle was about to take off, the brother coughed and said: "Let us pray." Everybody bowed down their heads and prayed, including the blood sucker. At the spot which had been earmarked for the accident, the blood sucker conjured all his evil powers but there was no accident. The vehicle safely arrived at its destination. The man was dazed. It had never happened to him that way. He discovered that somebody in the vehicle had some power which was greater than his evil power. He felt very bad and insisted that he must suck blood that day.

He was the first person to enter another vehicle. By the time he looked round he felt very angry when he discovered that the same Christian brother was in the vehicle. As the vehicle was about to take off the Christian brother coughed again and said: "Let us pray." The blood-sucking man shouted: "No! We are not going to pray. Young man, you cannot impose your religion on us. There is freedom of religion in this country." The other commuters intervened and said, "Allow the young man to pray. By the way, what is your own religion? If the young man prays, we shall all say, 'Amen'. After all, prayer cannot hurt anybody."

The vehicle moved on and there was no accident in spite of the fact that the

demonic man did quite a lot to cause an accident. He was so surprised that he vowed to find out why he did not succeed. When the Christian brother came down from the vehicle and began to go, he did not know that the demonic man was following him. The man later stopped him and said: "Excuse me, may I know who you are? Tell me, what kind of power have you?" Following the brother's explanation, the blood-sucker followed him to his church and became born again. The brother proved to him that there is no power equal to the power which resides in the name of Jesus.

PRAYER POINTS

1. I cover myself with the blood of Jesus.
2. All eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood, I command you to stumble and fall, in the name of Jesus.
3. You eaters of flesh, any good thing which you have eaten In my life, I command you to vomit it, in the name of Jesus.
4. Holy Spirit, go on my behalf to the evil demonic bank and retrieve any of my property which is held up there, in the name of Jesus.
5. My possession, depart from the bank of the devil and come to me, in the name of Jesus.
6. You eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood, I command you to eat your own flesh and drink your own blood, in the name of Jesus.
7. Anything which enemies from my place of birth have destroyed in my life, Father Lord, replace them, in the name of Jesus.
8. I will not supply ammunicions to my enemies, in the name of Jesus.
9. Every power speaking impossibilities into my life, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.
10. I shall laugh last over my enemies, in Jesus' name.
11. Every power constructing coffin against me, enter into your coffin, in the name of Jesus.
12. Every power of the emptiers in my household, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.
13. Every spirit of backwardness, I trample upon your serpents and

scorpions, in the name of Jesus.

14. I unseat all evil powers sitting on my promotions, in the name of Jesus.
15. Let the angels of God take them back into the darkness where they belong, in the name of Jesus.
16. I bind every spirit of bondage fashioned against me, in the name of Jesus.
17. I bind every spirit of heaviness, in the name of Jesus.
18. I bind every spirit of slumber, in the name of Jesus.
19. I bind every spirit of paralysis, in the name of Jesus.
20. I bind every spirit of death and hell, in Jesus' name.
21. Break every unprofitable covenant from age one to your present age. Do each three times, in the name of Jesus.
22. I break any curse brought upon me by any past generation, in the name of Jesus.
23. I bind and paralyse the spirit and activities of the wasters in my life, in the name of Jesus.
24. I bind and paralyse the spirit and activities of the devourers in my life, in the name of Jesus.
25. I bind and paralyse the spirit and activities of the emptier in my life, in the name of Jesus.
26. I bulldoze my way into breakthroughs, in the name of Jesus.
27. I render all evil attacks against my life impotent sevenfold, in the name of Jesus.
28. Let every evil maintenance officer assigned against my life receive spiritual paralysis, in Jesus' name.
29. I revoke every satanic decree upon my life, in Jesus' name.
30. I revoke every satanic decree upon my family, in the name of Jesus.
31. I revoke every satanic decree upon my name, in the name of Jesus.
32. I revoke every satanic decree upon my prosperity, in the name of Jesus.
33. I silence all evil utterances against my life, in the name of Jesus.
34. O Lord, arise and bring final solution to all my stubborn situations.
35. I shall laugh last over my enemies, in Jesus' name.

36. Father Lord, grant me wisdom to avoid the snares set for me by the enemies of my soul, in Jesus' name.
37. Let the angels of the living God arrest all satanic forces mandated to ensnare me, in the name of Jesus.
38. Let all my enemies fall into their own traps, in the name of Jesus.
39. I bind every spirit of wastage, in the name of Jesus.
40. I trample upon every serpent and scorpion of my advancement and promotion, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER THREE

PRISONERS OF LAND COVENANT

"This is a practical and true to a life message. It will answer many of the baffling questions in the hearts of many concerned Africans, Asians and Latin Americans. Of course, it will be an eye opener to Christians in Europe and America.

It is very clear that there are many inexplicable riddles and baffling situations which many people have grappled with for several years. A lot of people have given up, thinking that there is no solution to what they are going through. Most people who are going through stubborn problems have tried so many things to receive solutions but all to no avail.

People have often asked me, "Why do Christian believers, who love the Lord and are living holy life, find it difficult to experience victory in some areas of their lives?" Others have asked me, "Why has my problem remained fixed to the ground as the rock of Gibraltar?" Some others ask me, "Are there certain problems which I must accept as impossible for God to solve?" Those who ask these questions are actually sincere and they show genuine anxiety about what they are going through.

Through my years of ministry I have discovered that a lot of Christians have suffered unnecessarily. The reasons for their suffering are two. One, lack of knowledge about the root of their problems. Two, lack of appropriate knowledge concerning the divine solution to such problems. We can then understand the lamentation of the Scriptures, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

Isaiah 1:2 gives us a deep but unusual insight into the reason many people are suffering.

Isaiah 1:2: Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the LORD hath spoken, I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled

against me.

This passage opens up our understanding to a fact which has remained hidden to some people. Why did God ask the heaven and the earth to hear His word? What lessons can we learn from this verse?

Anyone who has ever gone to school and has been taught introductory science would have learnt that all things on earth can be divided into two groups: living and non-living. And we were taught that only living things have the ability to hear and feel.

However, as far as the Bible is concerned there is no distinction between living and non-living things. The distinction between living and non-living things is only for physical or intellectual convenience. The Bible makes us to understand that the earth has the ability to hear. One of the most wonderful messages I have ever heard in my life is entitled, "The Man who talked to trees." That message was simply fantastic.

THE EVIL TREE

Although a secondary school somewhere in the southern part of Nigeria was owned by the government, a particular tree there was worshipped by the natives of the place. The chief priest, the worshippers and other devotees came to worship the tree once every two months. They always came with a goat which they killed beside the tree. The tree itself provided a very strange sight in the school compound. A piece of white cloth was tied around it. All the students knew that the tree was sacred. It appeared as if the principal of the school was helpless. Nobody could challenge the devotees of the sacred tree. Majority of the students and teachers avoided the location of the evil tree.

However, there was a group of very different breeds of students in that school. They were members of the Scripture Union. Although they were very young children, they had the fire of the Holy Ghost in their lives. During one of their prayer meetings, the Spirit of the Lord came down and challenged them saying; "What kind of insult is this? Why must children of God be in this school and people continue to come and disturb you saying that they

have their demonic shrine in this school? My children cut it down, saith the Lord."

The students knew that they heard the voice of God. They summoned courage and decided to cut the tree down. After the school hours they marched to the tree with songs of victory. Armed with cutlasses, they circled the tree, pleaded the blood of Jesus on it, pronounced judgement on it and destroyed the power behind it, in the name of Jesus.

As soon as the first blow of their cutlasses descended on the trunk of the tree, blood began to gush out. They were both surprised and afraid. They had never seen that kind of tree before. They began to speak in tongues and continued cutting the tree until it fell. As soon as it landed on the ground, the chief priest came running into the school compound. He was furious. He looked at the students and screamed, "Who asked you to cut this tree down?"

He summoned the principal when none of the Christian students was ready to answer his question. By the time the Principal came to the scene, the Christian students were no longer there. Cold sweat adorned the brow of the principal. He was shivering all over. He began to apologise to the chief priest, promising that he would fish out the boys who committed that sacrilege. The principal called an emergency staff and students meeting. The Christian students owned up and said, "We cut the tree down because the Lord told us to do so." The principal marched the students to the front of the chief priest and said, "Chief priest, here are the culprits." The chief priest looked at the Christian Union members and said, "How did you come about the audacity to cut the tree down? Let me announce to you that the tree which you have just cut down will fight against all of you. Here is your judgement, all of you will die within seven days."

The Christian students were unruffled. They just gathered themselves together and prayed asking God to vindicate Himself, and prove Himself as the God who answereth by fire. By the second day the chief priest was dead. By the following day the assistant to the chief priest also died. Within a week, five devotees of the tree died. The rest of the devotees ran to the principal and asked him to help them plead with the Christian students in his school. They begged the students to pray for them as they did not want to die

like their colleagues. The Christian students spoke to the tree and commanded that none of the devotees should die again. The young students caused a stir in the entire community. The principal, the teachers, other students and everybody in the town knew that the young Christians were serving the living God.

Jesus spoke to trees, the wind, the waves, the seas and to sicknesses. Do you know that you can speak against disease germs and ask them to die? Yes, you can command every bacterium and every germ that introduced disease into your body to die.

The Lord performed an outstanding healing in one of our branches in the Eastern part of the country. A 65-year-old woman was brought to me because she was sick. Her medical report was handed over to me and I discovered that the doctors stated that she had tested positive to HIV virus. I laid my hand on her and prayed for her. At the end I left her with some prayer points. I simply told her to believe God. I left the East and travelled back to Lagos, the headquarters of our church.

Somebody shared a testimony with me three months later that the same woman went back to the hospital and they ran her through a series of medical tests only to discover that there was no trace of HIV virus in her. The germs had disappeared because the Lord made me to speak against them.

Do you know that the earth or land on which we walk is treated by the Scriptures as a living entity? Jesus told His disciples:

Matthew 10:14-15: And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet. ¹⁵Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.

Jesus stated that the sand would stand against those people on the day of judgement. The dust or sand can speak. Nature can hear, observe, or speak. The sand, the water in the sea and other elements of nature are observing and recording what we are saying.

A STRANGE GIFT

All living things - plants, animals, man, fishes and birds - were produced by the earth and the sea. Unknown to us, many human beings are sons and daughters of the river.

This reminds me of a woman who had a very strange case. The woman got married and started to think about living a happy married life. Unknown to her, her husband had a former girlfriend who gave them a strange wedding present. What was the wedding present? It was an aquarium. They counted it as an ordinary gift and began to use it. They connected it to the power supply and it became a piece of beautiful decoration for their home.

However, the wife noticed that the husband usually spent several hours watching the aquarium on daily basis. The wife would always call him from the bedroom saying, "Darling, why don't you come inside?" The husband would reply, "Please, allow me to watch these beautiful fishes for some more time. I will soon join you when I am through. It is such a beautiful sight to behold." The man would only go to bed when he began to doze.

The woman ran to the church to complain. I told her that unless the fishes in that aquarium died she could not experience peace in her home. The woman became afraid. She said, "But what can I do to get rid of the fishes inside the aquarium? If I kill them, the man would know." I told her that she did not have to kill them physically. I instructed her to pronounce judgement on the fishes. I asked her specifically to command the fishes to die in the presence of her husband. She obeyed the instruction.

The husband went to watch the aquarium in his usual manner and was surprised when he discovered that the fishes only managed to move around for a short while and went to the bottom of the water. No movement was made again. He was forced to go to bed earlier than usual. By the time he woke up the next day, the aquarium was smelling. That was how the Lord delivered that sister's home from total collapse.

The earth, the seas and the heavens have always listened to God. They do not only listen to God, they also listen to those who speak as God's representatives. The land and the seas also cooperate with God and His

servants. They bring forth creatures of judgement upon people when commanded by men of authority. The sea obeyed Moses and brought frogs to judge the inhabitants of Egypt. The earth brought forth lice as judgement against Egypt.

The same seas which brought judgement against the Egyptians brought prosperity to Peter. Peter made a great catch when Jesus asked him to cast his net into the sea. The earth and the sea can bring prosperity to you. At the same time, the earth can decide not to yield her strength and it may also decide to cooperate with you.

Why don't you close your eyes and pray this prayer point?

Let the earth and the sea bring prosperity unto me, in the name of Jesus.

THE POWER OF THE EARTH

Deut. 30:19 : I call heaven and earth to record this day against you *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:

God called heaven and earth to record what He was saying to His people. The Bible also tells us:

Jeremiah 22:29 - O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.

The earth has ears. It hears. The earth has some computers which are capable of receiving commands and responding to instructions. The earth operates a recording system and keeps records of all its tenants.

The earth can hear and witness between us and God and between us and fellow human beings. The earth keeps records which God or His prophets may demand to be produced in the future. The earth can be used against a person in judgement. If I somebody offends God and comes under judgement nothing else will work for him. If such a person is a farmer, and puts manure into the ground, the manure will turn into poison, and refuse to cooperate with the ground. If he builds houses, they may I collapse. The earth will fight against him because he has cases to answer in the courts of the earth.

A man from Zimbabwe shared a strange story with me. There was a very big farm which was formerly owned by an Israeli. He planted tomatoes and apples and his yields were fat and delicious. The farm was very prosperous. However, the Israeli was chased out of the country and an African farmer took over from him. Strange things began to happen immediately the African farmer took over. The tomatoes became tiny and the apple became diseased. The yield went down. This shows that the ground recognised the first owner. He was a child of Abraham who was blessed. The ground refused to cooperate with the second owner.

FETISH PRACTICES

Demonic agents recognise that I have stated so far. That is why rituals are performed in several communities, new covenants are formed and old ones are renewed with the land. In some Africa communities, nobody dares eat a new yam until libations are poured and rituals are performed on the land which produced the yams. In some communities, they pluck fresh plantains and uproot new tubers of yams and bury them in the ground in order to worship the ground.

Some people carry their worship to the extent of burying live animals in the ground. What is being buried is not only restricted to animals. Men are also buried in some communities. The earth is recording all these things.

The earth records some people's burying Bibles in the foundation of their houses. Men and women have done strange things in order to utilise the power of the ground.

Many people pour the blood of sacrificed animals on the ground and demand that the ground should favour them.

Others pour drinks in the form of libation to the ground. All forms of blood offerings and sacrifices which men carry out on the ground are recorded by the recorded system of the ground. The ground also hears all the curses spoken against innocent men and women.

The greatest problem in Africa is that many lands are possessed or demonised. Many lands have been corrupted by incantations, sacrifices and

libations which were poured on it. Many African lands have serious satanic claims over men and women.

Another problem which has put many people in bondage is the burying of the placenta of babies in the ground. Some babies' placentas were buried with incantations. Many covenants have been established through the burying of the placenta. Have you ever addressed the problem of your placenta? Have you addressed the foundation of your life?

The power of the ground is so great that God had to tell Joshua, "Whenever the sole of your feet shall tread, you shall possess." Joshua was mandated to establish a covenant of success between the sole of his feet and the ground. God expects you to trample upon the covenants which were against you and establish a new covenant. If you do that, the earth will recognise you and cooperate with you. The signature or the mark of the footprint of Joshua was recorded on the earth and the ground had no option but to cooperate with him.

The earth heard the voice of Moses and it opened and swallowed Dathan, Korah and Abiram.

Can you recall the story of Elisha and a king who was I instructed to shoot some arrows into the ground? The king shot three times and stopped. The king did not know that the ground was recording the number of times the arrow was shot against it. No wonder, the prophet was angry with the king.

A dead man who was thrown into the place where Elisha was buried rose up immediately. He had made contact with Elisha's bones. Although Elisha was dead, his bones carried positive spiritual energy. Do you know that many demonic Elishas have also been buried in the ground? Just as the bones of the true Elisha were able to release positive energy, the bones of this demonic Elisha are also releasing negative energy.

Do you know that if you build your house or establish your company or park your car in a place which contains the dead bones of wicked satanic agents and satan's children, you will experience demonic oppression and suffer from satanic embargoes?

CURSED LANDS

I remember the story of a particular brother who could not prosper in spite of all the efforts he put into his business. He went to the Lord in prayer and the lord revealed to him an incident which took place before he was born. Two pregnant women fought and killed themselves. Both of them were buried on that ground where the brother established his company. I told him to relocate his business.

He went to the estate agent from whom he hired the place and the agent told him the truth: "let me tell you this. You really tried to have stayed that long in the place. Nobody ever prospered on that land. Most of the people who were there folded up earlier than you." The agent confirmed that two pregnant women were buried on that plot of land.

This shows that many of our problems could be linked to the earth. Man, animals and plants, were formed out of the ground. The same ground was later cursed by God. That is why the Bible says: "At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, of things in heaven, of things on earth and of things underneath the earth." The fact that the ground has been cursed explains why we are told not to swear by the earth.

Why do people pour libation on the ground? Why do people throw sand into the grave when somebody dies? Why do people remove sand from underneath some people's feet because they want to use the sand against the well-being of their victims?

Why do fetish priests pay homage to the ground? Why do people swear by the earth? Why do some fetish priests press sand to divine and find out secrets?

All these groups of people use the sand or the dust of the ground because they know that there is a lot of power in the ground.

Of all things created by God, the earth or the ground is one thing that is as mysterious as blood and water. Therefore, if you have noticed that things are completely upside down in your life, if you have discovered that nothing seems to be working, if you are dreaming of dead people and dead relatives

or you find yourself going back to your village in your dream, then you have serious prayers to pray.

If you have been dreaming of extremely slow animals like the tortoise, the snail and so on, you need to pray.

If you have ever carried sacrifices to cross-roads or you have buried some things in the ground, you have serious prayer to pray.

Even if you have not done any of these things directly, you need to recognise the fact that a lot of land covenants have been made in your community and those land covenants have continued to demand certain dues in the form of poverty, sickness, failure, non-achievement, and other problems. Those covenants might have worked against you because you walk, live or carry on business on a particular land.

GRANDFATHER'S BILLS

The greatest tragedy which we are facing today can be traced to the fact that many people have been held captive as a result of evil land covenants. A lot of people who are educated, wealthy and enlightened are prisoners of land covenants. Although they seem to be free in real life, they are prisoners because of the covenants which their forefathers have made with the ground. Perhaps what you are suffering today can be traced to what was buried in the ground by your father or your ancestors.

That reminds me of an incident which took place in Asia. A man went to a restaurant to eat, only to discover that there was a strange notice on the wall of the eating house. The notice reads: "You are welcome. Eat as much as you can. You don't have to pay anything for your food. Your children and grandchildren will pick up the bill. However, you will have to pay a particular fee. Remember you are not paying for what you are going to eat. The only money we expect you to pay is the money of the food which your father and your grand father ate in this same restaurant. So settle down and have a nice meal. At the end don't forget to pay your grand father's bill," That was indeed a very funny but thought-provoking notice.

Do you know that many Christians and unbelievers are paying their grand

father's bills? Your ancestors entered into covenants and made pledges for themselves and on behalf of their children and grand children which were yet to be born. Some of the bills we have been paying are our grand father's bills, although we were not there when the covenants were made. Many people are prisoners for crimes which were committed by their grand parents.

Prisoners of land covenants abound today. They can be found in Europe, Asia, America and Africa. Do you know that some Africans who are studying in Europe and America are prisoners of land covenants? Many people are serving their spiritual jail terms and paying very heavy prices simply because of the covenants which their forefathers made with the ground. That is why some people travel far away from home expecting that they will no longer suffer from the problems which are peculiar to those who remain at home, not knowing that once somebody is a prisoner of land covenants, the jail term can be served at home or abroad. The only way to get out of that kind of prison is to pray your way out of it.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Every demonic claim of the earth over my life, be dismantled, in the name of Jesus.
2. I refuse to be chained to my place of birth, in Jesus' name.
3. Any power pressing the sand against me, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.
4. I receive my breakthroughs, in the name of Jesus.
5. I release my money from the house of the strongman, in the name of Jesus.
6. I cancel the plans and the mark of the enemy upon my life in the name of Jesus.
7. Lord Jesus, break all harmful genetic ties in my life.
8. Lord Jesus, set me free from any negative thing that came against me before I was born.
9. Lord Jesus, use Your blood to clean all my spiritual wounds in my life.
10. From now on, I bulldoze my way into supernatural breakthroughs in

every department of my life, in the name of Jesus.

11. I revoke every evil law being used against my life, in the name of Jesus.
12. I decree that my house will not be pulled down by contrary wind, in the name of Jesus.
13. O Lord, let me trade with You and make me profit in it.
14. O Lord, that which will make Your blessings to jump over me, begin to roast them with the fire, of God.
15. O Lord, remove from every department of my life that which will hinder the purpose of God for my life, in the name of Jesus.
16. Let every root of evil desires in me be roasted with the fire of God, in the name of Jesus.
17. Lord, charge my spiritual battery with Your fire.
18. O Lord, reveal to me any area of my body being used as instrument of unrighteousness.
19. O Lord, let me ever be a good pillar in the house of God.
20. O Lord, increase in me the divine power to pursue, overtake and recover.
21. Let the fire of God destroy every stubborn foundational problem in my life, in the name of Jesus.
22. Let every link, label and stamp of the oppressors in any department of my life be destroyed by the blood of Jesus.
23. I command every evil spiritual pregnancy to be aborted now, in the name of Jesus.
24. Let every dirty hand be removed from all the affairs of my life, in the name of Jesus.
25. Let every effect of evil access to my blood be reversed, in the name of Jesus.
26. Let all the enemies of holiness in my life flee, in the name of Jesus.
27. Holy Spirit, incubate me with Your fire, in the name of Jesus.
28. Let everything done against me under the devil's anointing be neutralised, in the name of Jesus.

29. I command all evil vessels despatched against me to crash into irreparable pieces, in the name of Jesus.
30. I command my possessions being kept in satanic banks to be released, in the name of Jesus.
31. I remove my name from the book of untimely death, in the name of Jesus.
32. I remove my name from the book of tragedy, in the name of Jesus.
33. All evil umbrellas preventing heavenly showers from falling upon me, be roasted, in the name of Jesus.
34. Let all the evil asseciations summoned for my sake be scattered into pieces, in the name of Jesus.
35. Father, crucify anything in me that would remove my name from the book of life, in the name of Jesus.
36. Father, help me to crucify my flesh, in Jesus' name.
37. If my name has been removed from the book of life, Father, re-write it back, in the name of Jesus.
38. Lord, give me power to overcome myself.
39. Let every problem connected to polygamy in my life be nullified by the blood of Jesus.
40. All satanic deposits in my life, be roasted, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER FOUR

DELIVERANCE OF OUR LAND

There is no way anyone can divorce himself from what is going on in his community or in his nation. It is common knowledge that man is a product of his environment. We have, therefore, discovered that the lives of millions of people are affected by the problems and the curses which the entire nation is suffering from. The lives of the multitudes have been limited by the general umbrella of limitation placed on their native lands.

It is not possible, therefore, to experience complete victory and wholesomeness as well as the actualisation of one's dreams, hopes and aspirations without dealing with the powers of the territorial spirits that control the land of one's nativity.

It often happens that some people manifest the traits or the characteristics that are prevalent in their place of birth or domicile. What happens in your country can affect you. The problems of your country can place some limitations upon you. Whether you like it or not, you can suffer from collective captivity. Just as the ground or the dust can be programmed in the demonic realm against you, the land of your nation can also be used against you by powers of darkness.

For example, many black men and women are frustrated because they are attacked by demons that are peculiar to the blacks. A lot of people who are black have suffered the results of the curses pronounced upon many African nations during the time of inter-tribal wars and the slave trade. Although most of the inter-tribal wars were fought hundreds of years ago, many Africans are still living under the yoke of such wicked wars. Although the slave trade is almost forgotten because it is no longer in practice, yet the results and the consequences of that inhuman traffic have continued to live with us.

MULTIPLE YOKES AND BONDAGE

You cannot experience complete freedom and total victory until you address the peculiar yokes, curses, bondage and stubborn problems which are prominent in your own nation.

I have tried to make this book as universal as possible, because I know that Africans, Asians, Latin Americans, Europeans, Americans and people from the Middle East will read it.

Therefore, one thing that I have to note is that some people suffer the yoke attached to two nations or continents. If you are an African, for example, and you live in Saudi Arabia you will have to battle with the yokes you inherited from your African roots as well as battle with the yokes you are subjecting yourself to by virtue of the fact that you are living in the Middle East. You would have accumulated multiple curses, yokes, bondage and demons from your place of birth and through your sojourn in a foreign country.

To become free you will have to release yourself from inherited or ancestral curses from your native African community and the problems and the demonic yokes which you gather as a nonnative in another culture. Those who undertake cross-cultural journeys have acquired multiple problems without knowing it.

Those who are tutored in the art of spiritual warfare know that there are territorial powers controlling communities, cities, nations and continents. These powers generally exercise authority and dominion over both natives and non-natives.

For example, if you have travelled to ten countries, especially as an unbeliever, you would have accumulated the peculiar bondage and problems of those ten countries. If you live in a particular locality and you are not on fire, the witches, the wizards and the demonic forces who are in charge of those territories would have performed several rituals, held several evil meetings and programmed all kinds of wickedness into your life and that of every member of the community.

Your membership in any community automatically qualifies you for

collective captivity. A lot of secret rituals are performed by local priests and several deep covenants are made by communal chief priests on behalf of the inhabitants of that community. The reason many Christians are going through some problems can be traced to the fact that they have entered into some kind of bondage along with every member of their nation or community. You must, therefore, remove yourself from such communal or national bondage.

Territorial powers do not hold sway in vain, they wield spiritual authority and exercise control over all the people who dwell in their territories. Some territorial spirits ensure that members of the community do not prosper beyond a particular level. They also ensure that certain problems are programmed into the lives of those who dwell in the communities in order to prevent them from becoming successful and victorious.

Therefore, if you do not take care of all problems and bondage which came into your life by virtue of the fact that you are a native and a dweller in certain communities you may never be able to rise up beyond a particular level. When you consider total deliverance you must give attention to deliverance from ancestral or communal problems. You must pray and release yourself from what local demons, communal satanic agents and territorial spirits have programmed into your life.

The Bible says,

Isaiah 52:3: For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money.

Those who know us know that we always go to the root of any problem to give lasting solution to it. You cannot really solve any problem if you attack it from the surface. A lot of people have used all kinds of methods which are aimed at scratching the surfaces of their problems. Such people have been baffled by the fact that their problems have remained adamant. They have wondered why nothing seemed to have happened when much effort has been made towards solving the problems.

THE ROOTS

The present situation in your life did not get to that level overnight. Some

of the problems, which you are going through today, were introduced into your life even before you were born. You only grew up to discover them.

As a minister in the deliverance ministry, I have discovered that the most stubborn problems are those which are attached to the root of people's lives. You will do yourself a lot of good if you will only insist on using methods that will uproot your problems right from the roots. You cannot avoid concentrating your energy on the deliverance of the land where you dwell. The Bible says, "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem." In the peace thereof thou shall have peace.

African Christians need to pray harder because of the peculiar situations and problems which our forefathers went through. If we take a look at the history of Nigeria, for example, we will discover that our past was filled with records of rituals, murder, inter-tribal wars, killing of twin babies, worship of terrible and very powerful idols, high level of wickedness of man towards his neighbours and other problems. The foundations of some cities were laid by burying animals and human beings alive. Other cities were founded by sacrificing some men and women to the gods. Many lives were wasted by throwing them into the sea or sacrificing them at night.

Another factor which we ought to examine is the two major rivers in this country -River Niger and River Benue. I wonder how many people have taken time to study the history of these rivers or do any sort of spiritual survey of them. Do you know, for example, that these two rivers claim hundreds of lives yearly? Do you know that many boats have capsized and many men, women and children drowned in these rivers?

BEHIND THE CURTAIN

Secondly, if you look at Nigeria as a nation, you will discover that there are spiritual thrones just as there are physical thrones. The past two decades have witnessed all kinds of socio-political problems. Many people have wondered why we have had such problems as a nation. However, only a few may have considered the fact that what is going on in the physical realm is being controlled by what is going on in the spiritual realm. When the Bible says, pray for those who are in authority, it is simply telling us to look beyond the

physical realm and recognise that people are being ruled by invisible, wicked spiritual forces.

Some of our greatest problems in Nigeria can be traced to the fact that the blood of hundreds of thousands of lives has been shed. Our forefathers sold our brothers and sisters as slaves and many lives were lost through inter-tribal wars which were uncalled for. The problem of the slave trade has continued to take a heavy toll on Nigeria as a nation. Many individuals and families are now reaping the fruits for selling fellow human beings.

Another problem which we must address is that some of our ancestors were so wicked that all their children and grand children are supposed to pay dearly for what they did. If you actually trace the history of your ancestors you may be shocked to discover that some of them were cursed before they died while some were dumped into the bush because they were so wicked.

The father of a brother was so wicked that his mouth had to be gagged with rags, when he kept on confessing the wicked atrocities he perpetrated during his life time. His children were so embarrassed by what their father was saying that they had to tie up his mouth, believing that they might be excommunicated by the village if the community got to know of the evils which he had done. Even if the man did not make those confessions, those things would still automatically qualify his children for curses and bondage. After all, the Bible says, "The father has eaten sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge." One of the children of that wicked man had to go through series of deliverance before he could get married.

HISTORICAL FACTS

Another thing that is worthy of consideration when we talk about deliverance from problems and bondage which are imposed on us by our land can be found in the names which are borne by our towns, cities and villages. The names of many villages and cities are loaded with problems. Let me give you a few examples.

Have you found out how the names of some towns in Ondo state were given to those towns? According to history, the *Alaafin* of Oyo married a

particular wife who gave birth to twin babies. Twin babies were destroyed in those days. However, the *Alaafin* loved his wife so much that he was not prepared to kill the twin babies and their mother. He came up with a plan to smuggle them out in the night. Because the plan was conceived in a hurry the *Alaafin* did not put on the twins the normal multiple tribal marks which were common with members of the ancient Oyo town. He had to put only two marks on each side of their faces. That was how people who come from Ondo town started having their own tribal marks. He sent them into the bush at night so that they could escape. He was so kind to them that he gave them a crown.

The mother and the twin babies eventually arrived at a little town called *Ile-Oluji*. The twin babies grew up and one of them, who happened to be a lady and was in possession of the crown, went to *Ondo* town and settled there. She became the first queen of *Ondo* town.

If we take a look at another state in Nigeria. Ogun state, the question we are likely to ask is, what is the origin of the word Ogun? Some people trace the origin of the name to the Ogun River which is worshipped by some of the indigenes of the state. You are supposed to look at the origin of the name of your state.

If you look at Abuja, the name of Nigerian capital city, you discover that it is a town with a peculiar history. What is the meaning of the word Abuja? We are told that it is a combination of two things: *Abubarkar* and *Ja*. Hausa speakers know that *Abubarkar* and *Ja* means a red man. I'm sure you know the meaning of such a word in the spiritual realm.

EVIL SHADOW CABINETS

One question which many people have failed to address is this: why are many African leaders having serious problems? Why is it that the most backward nations can be found in Africa? There is a spiritual shadow cabinet behind every nation. The real rulers of nations are not the heads of states and the council of ministers but the spiritual personalities who are in charge of those nations. The decisions, actions and activities of the leaders are dictated, monitored and directed by the spiritual personalities.

When a leader is appointed or takes charge of a nation through the power of the gun, he will end up doing everything as directed and commanded by the spiritual personalities that are in charge of that nation. When a leader begins to select members of his cabinet, the devil will also go ahead to choose a spiritual shadow cabinet. This spiritual shadow cabinet will be given spiritual power to monitor the lives of every citizen in that nation.

I often feel very sad whenever I enter the aircraft and come across lots of mermaid or marine girls in the aircraft. I always know that those satanic agents are generally sent to cities by the devil. Many of us live as if we were completely oblivious of what is going on in our nations. We have some particular towns in this country that are noted for extreme wickedness. For example, there is a town in western Nigeria called *Irun-Akoko*. The town is so notorious for its deep demonic powers that people go there for help from all parts of the country.

God has a gripe against many Nigerian tribes. For example, the *Yoruba* tribe. I speak the truth from the bottom of my heart. Although Christianity started with the Yoruba race in Nigeria, nevertheless a lot of idolatrous worship was introduced into the country through members of that race. Even now some Yorubas are in the vanguard of the clamour for the revival of idolatry and some aspect of culture. The first university in Nigeria is located in Yoruba land, yet many of us know that the pirate cult and other campus cults were introduced by members of that race.

Do you know that according to Nigerian history, the *Ogboni* cult was introduced by a Yoruba Reverend in the Anglican church? Do you also know that many secret cults have been introduced into the country by the Yorubas? Other tribes are also guilty of introducing other occult groups into the nation. It is clear that we have to repent of the sins of our ancestors if we want to be free from problems.

We need to ask God to forgive us as a people. The Bible says, "Righteousness exalts a nation. But sin is a reproach to any people." We must pray aggressively for the deliverance of our land. Additionally, each of us must seek personal freedom and deliverance from bondage. You must go back to previous centuries and release yourself from any yoke placed upon

your life by your forefathers.

PRAYER POINTS

The following prayer points are centred on the deliverance of our land as well as our person and release from collective captivity.

1. O God, grant me mercy and forgiveness, in Jesus' name.
2. I challenge every evil spirit hindering the move of God in this country, in the name of Jesus.
3. Every spirit of war, be uprooted in this country, in the name of Jesus.
4. Every drinker of blood, militating against this nation, be silenced, in the name of Jesus.
5. O Lord, let Your will be done in this country.
6. We cast down every spirit of corruption in this country, in the name of Jesus.
7. We bind every negative force in the lives of our leaders, in the name of Jesus
8. Evil powers behind the operation of idols, sacrifices, rituals and negative traditions in this country, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.
9. O Lord, let Your peace reign in this country.
10. Evil thrones installed in my town of origin, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.
11. Evil agreements between anybody and satan concerning this country, be nullified, in the name of Jesus.
12. Let all the lost glory of this country be restored by fire, in the name of Jesus.
13. O Lord, let Your fire of protection be on this nation, day and night.
14. Let the army of the living God pour liquid fire on all my oppressors, in the name of Jesus.
15. Let every evil oracle working against me turn to its master, in the name of Jesus.
16. I withdraw the peace of all the hunters of my soul, in the name of Jesus.

17. O Lord, promote me and advance me to the shame of the devil.
18. Every war fashioned against me, fail, in the name of Jesus.
19. I paralyse every power trying to unseat me from my place of blessing, in the name of Jesus.
20. I arrest every demonic conspiracy against me, in the name of Jesus.
21. Every satanic assignment upon my life, be disgraced, in the name of Jesus.
22. I smash and pull down every satanic stronghold in my life, in the name of Jesus.
23. My goodness and blessing will not be diverted by any evil angel, in the name of Jesus.
24. I recover all ground I yielded to the devil in the time of ignorance, in the name of Jesus.
25. I reverse all satanic programmes for my life, in Jesus' name.
26. Every evil organisation working against me, I command you to scatter, in the name of Jesus.
27. I bind the spirit working against my peace, in Jesus' name.
28. I paralyse every activity of the waster in my life, in the name of Jesus.
29. I tear every evil letter written against me, in Jesus' name.
30. Lord, convert all my negatives to positives.
31. I frustrate and disappoint every instrument of the enemy, in the name of Jesus.
32. I destroy every vow made against me by the enemy, in the name of Jesus.
33. I scatter every evil counsellor, in the name of Jesus.
34. I scatter all forces shedding blood on my behalf, in the name of Jesus.
35. Every mark of witchcraft, be washed away by the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.
36. Let all disguised enemies be exposed, in the name of Jesus.
37. Evil strangers, flee from the heart of my life, in Jesus' name.
38. Let the rain of affliction fall on the cart of my stubborn enemies, in the name of Jesus.

39. I claim my divine promotion today, in the name of Jesus.
40. O Lord, give me success and bring me into divine prosperity.

CHAPTER FIVE

DETAINED BY THE GRAVE

It is possible to be detained by the grave. It is also possible to be held hostage by the grave. A lot of people today have failed to maximise their potentials and fulfil their destinies simply because they are detained by the grave. The devil has succeeded in using the forces of nature against countless number of souls in developed and underdeveloped nations. Many people are living below their capacity and many lives have been reduced to a shadow of their true selves. You cannot experience, enjoy and attain God's best until you are able to free yourself from the shackles of the grave.

The Psalmist brought out a never-to-be-forgotten truth in Psalm 30:2:

O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

The same lesson is also brought out in Psalm 49:14-15:

Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them; and the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their beauty shall consume in the grave from their dwelling. ¹⁵But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for he shall receive me.

A lot of people, especially non-members of our church, have wondered why we call certain kinds of prayer points at the Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries. Some of our prayer points sound queer and strange to a number of people. New students in the school of prayer warfare have not been able to understand why some of our prayers sound extremely tough. However, those who understand the war that is going on in the spiritual realm know that our types of prayers are not strange at all. In fact to a trained fighter we have not really started to pray. If God could open your eyes and show you what the devil is doing in the spiritual realm you will discover that our types of prayers are not strange but normal.

For example, we pray a lot about buried virtues. We concentrate a lot of our prayer efforts on goodness that has been confiscated and buried in the ground. The deliverance ministry is a very interesting and challenging ministry. Some of the experiences which we go through are common place while others are exceptional and sometimes baffling. Throughout the years of my ministration and counselling as a deliverance minister, people have brought pots to me on three occasions. Those who brought those pots to me introduced and highlighted a new dimension in deliverance and warfare. Let me share the three different experiences with you.

STRANGE POTS

The first counsellee who brought a pot was a small girl. The incident took place several years ago. The girl was only 13 when she brought the pot into my office. She stated that she was not going to see any Pastor or talk to any other person except me. All the ministers who looked at her did not understand her. All they could see was that she was carrying a black nylon bag. They had to lead her into my office because she insisted that she would not see anybody except me.

She sat down and began to speak with an air of boldness and authority: "Daddy, is a dead handsome man."

I looked at her, and told her that I did not understand what she meant. Then she brought out the pot which she had concealed in a black nylon bag. There were three items inside the black pot: a piece of hair, pieces of clothing materials and some finger nails. I asked her: "Tell me, from where did you get all these items?"

"The hair is from my daddy's head, the pieces of cloth were cut from my daddy's dresses, while the finger nails were removed from his hands and legs."

I stared at her in disbelief. Then I asked her: "What is the meaning of all these?"

She cleared her throat and gave me another shocking reply: "The hair represents my daddy's glory, the pieces of cloth which we cut from his

dresses symbolise the shame which we have introduced into his life in the spiritual realm. The finger nails represent the labours of his hands. We have used our powers to place a spiritual embargo on his progress in life. That is why I called him a dead handsome man. We have completely captured him. He is finished."

I asked her, "How can your father be free from all these?"

She replied, "If he becomes free from the sin of anger and begins to pray seriously he will be free."

I asked her, "What if we burn this pot?"

She replied, "Yes, you can burn this pot, but we can always prepare a new pot if daddy continues to get angry."

That was how a pot was used to capture the father of the young girl.

I want you to close your eyes and pray this prayer point.

Every satanic pot prepared against me, break, in the name of Jesus.

The issues which have been addressed in this book are practical and true to life. The situations of things in the world have got to a dimension where believers can no longer afford to be careless about any area of their lives. It has come to a point where believers can no longer afford to enter a saloon which has the symbol of a mermaid on the signboard.

Let me now tell you about the second pot which was brought to me as an evidence of former involvement in demonic activities.

The second pot was brought to me by three ladies. I asked them to tell me what was inside it. They laughed and said, "It is difficult to tell a man of God like you the name of what is inside the pot." When they were reluctant to tell me I decided to look at what was inside the pot myself. I discovered that it was a white substance. When I couldn't make out anything from it, I asked them to tell me what it was.

At long last they managed to tell me that it was the sperm they collected from some university young men who jilted them: "These men jilted the three

of us not knowing that we were not ordinary girls." I asked, "what had happened to the men?" The reply given to me was shocking: "Two of them are dead while the other one is already a mad man in the streets." I asked the three young ladies, "What do you want to do now?" "We are tired of serving the devil, we want to give our lives to Christ," they said. They eventually gave their lives to Christ. They were saved while the lives of those men were destroyed forever. That is why we have stated over and over again that the best system of defence is to attack your enemy. You cannot tell the devil and his wicked agents not to touch you.

Satan and his agents are free to wage war on anybody. The war has been declared in the book of Genesis. The Bible says, "I will put enmity between thy seed and her seed, he shall bruise thy head and thou shall bruise his heel."

The third pot brought to me had blood inside it. The lady who brought it mentioned the names of those from whom she collected the blood.

"But why did you collect their blood?"

"I wanted to destroy them." She said.

That is another example of what wicked men and women do against the innocent.

The greatest kind of battle you can fight is to contend with powers that attempt to put you in the grave. You cannot experience victory unless you understand spiritual warfare. The passage which we read earlier on, talks about deliverance from the power of the grave. Do you know that the grave has some kind of power? Whenever things are taken from people and are buried in the ground the trouble experienced by the victims are always great. Such things can only be withdrawn through serious warfare.

DIFFICULT CASES

Most of us have come to agree that some cases are difficult. What then are difficult cases?

A case can be said to be difficult when the evil pipe carrying the problem

into the person's life has not been demolished.

Difficult cases occur when the pipe conveying the food that feeds the problems in your life has not been dealt with. Unless you deal with what supplies life or power to the problems, the problems will remain permanent in your life.

A problem can be said to be difficult when all the secrets behind it are not known.

Problems can be said to be difficult when they are linked with multiple covenants, curses and bondage.

Let me give you an example. A woman locked somebody up with a local demonic padlock. She was told to release her captive and she came up to tell us that the padlock had been unlocked. Did she speak the truth? Had she really released the man? The answer is No. What she did not declare was that the man was locked with 14 padlocks. If 14 evil padlocks are used to lock up a person's destiny, such a person would have a great deal of work to do. If the man on whom the local padlocks were applied prays for one hour or two, he will succeed in breaking only one or two padlocks. It would take serious praying or the power of an anointed man of God to break the 14 padlocks.

Whenever any problem is established on the foundation of several covenants and curses, it is generally difficult to solve.

MULTIPLE CURSES

Let me give you another example. Some people's problems can be traced to several curses. If you have lived with parents who cursed you on daily basis, you have lots of yokes to break. Let us assume that your parents cursed you 500 times. If you attend a prayer meeting and you break ten of such curses, what have you really achieved? You are left with 490 curses. It takes serious effort to break all those yokes.

The poorest people I have ever known in life are gate men of primary and secondary schools. Why are they poor? It is simply because they have accumulated curses from thousands of pupils and students over the years.

Such gate men do not know that majority of those pupils and students are not normal. Some of those gatemen have accumulated up to 100 curses per day. By the time they spent a month as a school's gate-keeper they would have accumulated some 3,000 curses. That is why they live in dilapidated buildings.

How many curses would they have accumulated if they had done that work for 20 years? They would have accumulated 720,000 curses. How easy would it be to break such yokes? That is a very practical example of what it means to deal with multiple curses.

I had an experience when I was a very small boy. I was part of a school's football team. We had a match to play with another school and wanted to win by all means. Some boys in our school team consulted a native priest man. Our team was to pay him a fee so that he could perform some rituals on our behalf to make us win. He accepted the contract. The first thing he did was to anoint every member of the school football team with blood. The second step he took was to urinate on the football pitch. Some of the people who played also had incisions on their bodies. Each of the steps he took was a step into bondage. Most people have gone into multiple bondages through incisions and demonic marks on their bodies.

Do you know that some people have as many as 200 incisions on various parts of their bodies?

Another area of bondage is that our forefathers or ancestors have entered into all kinds of demonic contracts on our behalf. These covenants may not be known to us today but they are very effective. Only few Christians understand how to break these covenants. It takes serious efforts to handle difficult situations.

What are difficult cases? Difficult cases are cases that have been circulated throughout the four worlds. The four worlds are:

The second heaven: The second heaven is the headquarters of evil. It is the base of all demonic activities.

The other worlds are the earth, underneath the earth and the seas.

If your problems have been taken to these four places, you have a big work to do. You can only be free when you have succeeded in dealing with these four worlds.

Man was created or formed from the dust of the earth. Animals and plants were also formed from the ground. However the ground was later cursed by God. We must take particular note of the fact that the earth or the ground has been cursed, that the same ground which was cursed was where man came from.

It is important to note that all the elements in man's body are taken from the earth. That is why the devil has found it easy to attack man. This also explains why satanic agents have always attempted to bury people's virtues in the earth. The Bible says, "At the mention of the name of Jesus every knee shall bow. Of things in heaven, of things on earth and of things we make use of as products from underneath the earth." It follows, therefore, that most of the things we made use of are products from underneath the earth. The only thing that came from heaven is the Spirit of God in the heart of man.

The only sustaining force is the breath of life. The Bible says, "He that is of the earth is earthly and speaketh of the earth. He that cometh from heaven is above all" (I John 3:31). I Corinth. 15:47-48 also stresses the same point:

The first man *is* of the earth, earthy: the second man *is* the Lord from heaven. ⁴⁸As *is* the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as *is* the heavenly, such *are* they also that are heavenly.

These two passages show that there is a difference between the heaven and the earth.

DEMONIC PRACTICES

The Scriptures often address the earth as a personality. It does this in recognition of the fact that some personalities dwell underneath the ground. These powers constitute what has been called the power of the grave. Moses commanded the earth to open and swallow some people in the book of Numbers. The ground responded. Black men and women understand the

power of the grave, much more than the white man. Why are black men and women pouring libations on the ground? They do this in recognition of the fact that some ground demons demand worship. That is why people pour libations on the ground and worship the powers that make the ground their place of abode.

Can you explain why some blacks have mastered the wicked art of removing sand from somebody's shoes and converting it to a dangerous weapon? Why do fetish priests pay homage to the ground? Why do people swear by the ground or the earth? Why do some people use the soil as one of the components of very powerful charms? Why do some people inquire about the future by pressing sand? The answer is very simple. They are tapping the powers of the grave. Of course, they receive answers. The spirits from the graves respond to them when they ask questions or make enquiry.

I had a close encounter with the case of a woman who had a covenant with the ground. The encounter took place several years ago when I was a member of a particular church. We had a very unusual pastor who was a prayer addict. He was unlike the previous pastor that we had in that church. Whenever the prayer session was on, he was drenched in his sweat.

I was shocked when he shouted at a woman who was carrying her baby: "Why do you come to the house of God with your head upside down?" The woman became afraid and said, "I'm sorry, sir, I won't do it again." I was shocked when I heard the statement of the pastor. The woman appeared normal to me but the pastor knew what he was saying. The woman also admitted that she was walking with her legs upward and her head downward. You may ask, why was that woman walking upside down? She was communicating with the spirits underneath the ground.

A very funny but strange incident was brought to my attention recently. A man was caught trying to gather some dust from our church premises. We were surprised why the man was doing that, and decided to ask him what he wanted to do with the sand. He told us that he was taking it to his own church premises. He wanted the kind of crowd which we have, in his own church. We simply told him that he was making the greatest mistake of his life by carrying away the sand. Some of our pastors told him: "If you take that sand

to your church, you will only end up pouring liquid fire into the premises of your church."

There was another man who was sent here to bury a charm in our premises. Serious problems came upon him simply because he accepted the assignment. He had not even come to our church premises. God dealt with him because he took up an evil assignment. All those who accepted such assignments will surely carry liquid fire into their homes.

What I want to tell you is that everything that God has created for the good of man has both physical and spiritual representatives. Once the spiritual representative has been caged, trapped or buried, it will never come into manifestation. A lot of goodness has been imprisoned in the graveyard of the enemy. That is why Jesus gave His disciples marching orders.

Matthew 10:8-10: Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give. ⁹Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses, ¹⁰Nor scrip for *your* journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat.

The popular greeting among the Israelites is "Shalom" which means "Peace be unto you". This passage shows that peace is an entity. It can be transferred, given out or withdrawn. The lesson we can learn from this passage is that just like peace can be withdrawn, things like property, husbands, wives and children can be withdrawn physically or spiritually.

Do you know that virtues possessions and children can be buried, and spiritually captured? The moment people or things are buried, they may still be around, but they are no longer available. This is a serious reality. It becomes clear, therefore, that once a matter has been settled spiritually and physically. It has no other option than to comply. When something has been buried or put in a grave, that is the end.

WITCHCRAFT BURIAL

The problem of witchcraft burial is one of the most serious problems which anybody can experience. What is witchcraft burial?

When witchcraft powers come into a house, they leave expensive materials and target insignificant or symbolic items. They pick up things like the clock, the purse, wedding rings and other an important items. What will they do with such items? They generally bury them.

When witchcraft powers bury the clock, they deal with their victim's time. Such people eventually become vagabonds. They keep on moving about without any sense of direction. When they bury the wedding rings of their victims, the marriage is attacked.

I heard of a particular case of a bride who ran to the man of God early in the morning on her wedding day to complain that she has lost the right leg of the shoes which she bought for her wedding. She did not know that the shoe was stolen by witchcraft agents.

A lot of things are happening in Africa. Here, Satanic agents call people's names into materials and bury them. I took a lady who was confessing her evil deeds to a particular spot where she dug out what she buried.

I was surprised when I saw that what was buried, it was a particular family's wedding picture. The lady asked me, "Man of God, do you think God will forgive me now that I have exhumed the picture?"

I asked her to explain what she actually did with it.

She said, "Sir, it's a very long story. I actually used that demonic method of burial to scatter their marriage. The wife is in South Africa while the husband is now in Russia. They thought they were travelling out in search of greener pastures, not knowing that the burial of their wedding picture scattered them. If I have not removed this picture from the ground, that man and that woman will never come together again."

The list of wicked actions is almost endless. Some people bury the glory of innocent men and women by constructing coffins for them. They speak wicked words against their victims and bury the coffins. After those demonic burials, the men or the women become walking corpses. They are already buried while alive.

I had an experience, a number of years ago which clearly demonstrated the

fact that wicked men and women would go to any length to carry out their evil assignments.

We got into the church premises one morning only to find a very mighty charm. Some of our members were scared and ran away. However, those who knew the spiritual authority which God has given to them simply took up the charm and pronounced divine judgement on it. We decided not to destroy it, but to teach those who brought it to the church the greatest lesson of their lives.

This was how we prayed: "You angel of the living God, take this charm away and conduct a reverse burial." Within a very short time those who brought the charm came to the church crying and begging for mercy. The fire of God was so hot upon them that they confessed that they were the people who brought the charm. Thank God we knew what to do at that time.

BURIED VIRTUES

Perhaps you are reading this book and you have buried live animals in the ground before. Perhaps you did it without knowing the implication of what you did. It is even possible that you were tricked into burying some of your own personal properties. All these actions are demonic.

Those Who ask you to carry out such a demonic burial have some evil motives. They will never tell you the whole truth. They will only tell you to bury some animals to avert trouble or to make you experience some wonderful blessings. What you may not know is that some fetish priests or prophets who give you such instruction will also turn round to deposit your glory and your blessings into the animal before it is buried. Once your virtue and blessings are smuggled into the animal and buried, they are forever sealed.

Demonic agents are very wicked. They often instruct those who come to them for help to buy a goat or a cow, kill it and share the meat among their neighbours. They will tell you that whoever eats the meat will end up sharing your calamities in life. What they will not tell you is that they will also use the same programme to scatter your goodness or your virtues.

I heard a very terrible story some years ago. A fetish priest was so wicked that he asked a multi-millionaire to bury some money in the ground. He specifically instructed him to borrow money from as many people as possible and bury it in the ground. That was how a man who had about ten million naira in his bank account went to those whose savings did not exceed ₦ 2,000:00 and borrowed money from them, and buried it. What did he do? He buried the finances of those poor men and increased his own wealth.

I want you to close your eyes as you pray this prayer point.

I command my buried blessings and virtues to receive resurrection power and come out of the grave, in the name of Jesus.

A brother once had a serious problem. Everything turned upside down in his life and he did not know what to do about the situation. He became confused and tired of living. However, God gave him a revelation after a session of aggressive prayer warfare. The Lord took him to a graveyard in his dream. An angel of God led him to a particular grave and smote it three times and asked the occupier of the grave to come out and hand over what he took from the brother when she was alive. The woman obeyed.

That was how the brother collected from the wicked woman his virtue which was as good as forgotten. This brother's example shows that you can recover your blessings from the grave even if the person who stole it died several years ago. If your blessing has been captured by the grave, everything will turn upside down for you in the physical realm.

What evil powers do is to bury people's goodness in the grave. They do so because they know that such people can never make it as long as they tread upon the ground. God placed a curse on the ground. He said, "cursed be the ground." Once someone has been trapped by the grave, the spirit of the grave will take charge of his life.

The spirit of the grave was so powerful that all the righteous people who had died were trapped in the grave, until Jesus changed the position after His resurrection. He took the saints from the grave to paradise above. It is unfortunate that unbelievers have continued to make use of the deep knowledge which God would have his children to acquire.

Men and women of the dark kingdom understand most of the things which are not known to Christian believers. It is unfortunate that many African believers are busy singing praise worship and watching American video when they are expected to address the problems that are peculiar to the African environment.

Men and women who are detained by the power of the grave always dream about their dead relatives. Somebody told me that he had a dream, where he saw a man who had been acclaimed as the greatest leader of the Yoruba race (The man is now dead). He said me that he found himself eating with that man. I asked him to tell me what he thought was the meaning of that dream. He interpreted it as an evidence of progress. I had to tell him that there was cause for alarm, if that was the kind of dream he had been having.

If you always dream about dead people, you have a lot of praying to do. That kind of dream is an evidence that some of your virtues have been buried with the dead or the deceased. Such a dream should not make you to rejoice, rather you should pray and withdraw what such dead relatives have taken from you to the grave.

When someone has been captured by the powers of the grave, everything will go haywire for him. It will seem as if the whole world was against him.

I was preaching a message entitled "Soul Traders" recently. Somebody suddenly jumped up from the congregation and shouted, "You are trying to kill me because I want to become the president of Nigeria." Such a man was pursued by the power of the grave. Others who are pursued by the power of the grave always see some people following them. Such people see what others cannot see. That's an evidence of the presence of the spirit of the grave.

Those who are trailed by the power of the grave are always blind spiritually. They sometimes put on invisible spiritual rags. They will remain in the school of poverty unless they cry unto the Lord for mercy. Those who are under the influence of the power of the grave always manifest self-destructive attitude. Such people dream of very slow animals. They see snails and tortoise in their dreams.

A man came to my counselling office the other day, because he had a serious problem. I ministered to him and told him to come back another time. He rose up and bade me good bye. While waiting for the next person to come in, I was surprised when I looked at the bench on which the man sat and found a small tortoise there. I quickly sent for him to come back and pick his tortoise. I asked him why he left a tortoise in my office. He then sat down and explained what happened several years ago. He told me that he remembered doing a particular charm with a small tortoise. The fetish priest told him to throw the tortoise into the sea. He did. He then told me that he was surprised to find the tortoise on the seat after having thrown it into the sea several years ago.

The man said that all the rituals he used the tortoise to perform did not fetch him any progress. He discovered that the charm only ended up making, him as slow as the tortoise. Jesus knew that so much damage had been done in the spiritual realm, that was why He had to go to the lower part of the grave.

Ephes 4:8-10: Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. ⁹ (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

Jesus went to the lower part of the earth because he knew that a lot of good things had been buried underneath the ground. He went there to set the captives free. He preached to the spirits that were imprisoned under the earth.

One of my favourite passages in the Bible is Revelation 1:18: "I am he that liveth and was dead, and, behold, I am alive for evermore. Amen, and have the keys of hell and of death."

Jesus is the only one who has the power over the grave. Only His resurrection power can command the materials which are confiscated and kept in the grave, to come out of the place.

PRAYER POINTS

1. All my blessings imprisoned by the grave, come forth, in the name of Jesus.
2. I release my blessings from the hands of any dead relatives, in the name of Jesus.
3. I withdraw my blessings from the hands of all dead enemies, in the name of Jesus.
4. I disgrace every witchcraft burial, in the name of Jesus.
5. Just as the grave could not detain Jesus, no power will detain my miracles, in the name of Jesus.
6. That which hinders me from greatness, give way now, in the name of Jesus.
7. Whatsoever has been done against me using the ground, be neutralised, in the name of Jesus.
8. Every unfriendly friend, be exposed, in the name of Jesus.
9. Anything representing my image in the spirit world, I withdraw you, in the name of Jesus.
10. All the camps of my enemies, receive confusion, in the name of Jesus.
11. O Lord, empower my life with Your authority over every demonic force that set themselves against my life.
12. O Lord, let all the impossible begin to become possible for me in every department of my life.
13. O Lord, take me from where I am to where You want me to be.
14. O Lord, make a way for me where there is no way.
15. O Lord, grant me the power to be fulfilled, successful and prosperous in life.
16. O Lord, break me up in every department of my life.
17. O Lord, make me to breakthrough into dumbfounding miracles in all areas of my life.
18. O Lord, make me to break out of every obstacle on my way to progress in life.
19. O Lord, establish me in truth, Godliness and faithfulness.
20. O Lord, add flavour to my work.

21. O Lord, add increase to my work.
22. O Lord, add profitability to my work.
23. O Lord, promote and preserve my life.
24. I reject the plans and agenda of the enemies against my life, in the name of Jesus.
25. I reject the assignments and weapons of the enemy against my life, in the name of Jesus.
26. Let every weapon and evil design against me fail totally, in the name of Jesus.
27. I reject premature death, in the name of Jesus.
28. I reject nightmares and sudden destruction, in the name of Jesus.
29. I reject dryness in my walk with God, in the name of Jesus.
30. I reject financial debt, in the name of Jesus.
31. I reject lack and famine in my life, in Jesus' name.
32. I reject physical and spiritual accident in my going in and coming out, in the name of Jesus.
33. I reject sickness in my spirit, soul and body, in the name of Jesus.
34. I stand against every work of evil in my life, in the name of Jesus.
35. I overcome powerlessness, confusion and every attack of the enemy, in the name of Jesus.
36. I command spiritual divorce between me and every power of darkness, in the name of Jesus.
37. Let every poison and arrows of the enemy be neutralized, in the name of Jesus.
38. I break every yoke of unfruitfulness in my life, in the name of Jesus.
39. I cancel the plans and the mark of the enemy upon my life, in the name of Jesus.
40. Lord Jesus, break all harmful, genetic ties in my life, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER SIX

EATERS OF DUST

God has a purpose for everything that was created by Him. He has a divine purpose for everything on earth. He has a specific purpose for your life. God created the sun, the moon and the stars on purpose. If God could be meticulous about the work of creation, He must have a purpose for your own life.

Do you know that God created almost everything through the spoken word? He commanded creation into being. However, the situation changed when it came to the creation of man. God moulded man with his own hands out of the dust. He personally constructed and fashioned man. That is Why the psalmist says, "I am fearfully and wonderfully created." God breathed into man and he became a living soul. The attention which God gave to our creation shows that there is a divine purpose for mankind. God has a plan for you. He has mapped out the details of your life before you were born.

The plan of God is so definite for every living human being that the Bible says, "Your hairs are all numbered." God knows the number of hairs on your head. This shows the deep interest which God has concerning man. You are not a creature of circumstance; you are here on earth according to a divine purpose. What then is destiny? Destiny is what has been divinely programmed to happen. However, it is crystal clear that the destiny of many people has been manipulated by powers of darkness.

Most of what is happening to men and women today is the result of demonic manipulations. Many lives are turned upside down. The goodness of many people has been stolen by demonic agents. If you take a close look at the embarrassing manner at which destinies have been perverted, today, you are likely to agree with the preacher who said,

Eccles. 10:7: I have seen servants upon horses, and princes walking as

servants upon the earth.

It is unfortunate that many people who were destined to be princes are walking as servants upon the earth. You may ask: Why are servants riding upon horses and princes going about as servants? The answer is very simple. The lives of many people, have been manipulated by eaters of dust. However, I have good news for you today. God has provided enough facility for you to wrest your destiny from the hands of eaters of dust.

The greatest enemies of men and women today, are eaters of dust. They have pushed many people away from God's perfect will into God's permissive will. Most of what people are going through today are miles away from God's perfect will. Most of what we are very busy doing has not received the blessings of God. Many Christians are comfortable with God's permissive will. There are many Christians who know little or nothing about God's perfect will. If eaters of dust cannot succeed in making you to reject the perfect will of God, they will try to lure you into accepting or settling for God's permissive will.

Eaters of dust are very wicked. When they know that they cannot destroy somebody's life completely, they will manage to allow him to graduate from the level of hewers of wood to drawers of water. Strange enough, the victims go about rejoicing, feeling that it is easier to fetch water than to split firewood. They do not know that both hewing wood and fetching water are given out by the same wicked task master.

You have a golden opportunity by having this book in your hand. You have a golden opportunity in your hand if you make up your mind to apply the knowledge which God is giving you in this book, to fulfil your God-given destiny.

If you examine the Scriptures, you will discover that several people failed to fulfil their destinies.

Samson, for example, was not destined to die with his enemies. He was the person who altered the divine destiny for his life.

What Jonah went through was not divinely programmed by God. God had no assignment for him in Tarshish. God gave him a ministry to the Ninevites.

He would have had the opportunity of making a whole nation to repent without having to stay in the belly of a fish for three days. God's destiny for Jonah was for him to be an obedient and successful minister. Jonah altered God's destiny for his life. He bought a ticket which landed him in trouble.

Are you like prophet Jonah? Have you stubbornly decided to run away from the plan of God for your life? Have you been called into full time service? Have you decided to answer the call of God? Are you playing games with the call of God?

If you neglect the call of God, you are courting trouble. Jonah paid for trouble and got it. God even gave him more than he paid for. Jonah bought a ticket to go to Tarshish but he landed in the belly of the fish.

God is good at organising trouble for the disobedient. By the time He sent trouble along the pathway of Jonah, he quickly cried out to God. Hear him:

Jonah 2:2,3,5: And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I *and* thou heardest my voice. For thou hadst cast me into the deep, in the midst of the seas; and the floods compassed me about: all thy billows and thy waves passed over me. The waters compassed me about, *even* to the soul: the depth closed me round about, the weeds were wrapped about my head.

If Jonah had known that he was going to go through that kind of harrowing experience he would have agreed to go and preach at Nineveh.

I remember the story of a particular brother who tried to run away from the will of God. He tried transport business and failed woefully. That business experience gave him a taste of what it means to be a failure. He got only one naira from the transport business. He also tried the civil service. Everybody got promoted except him. He was frustrated out of the civil service. He later decided to register as a contractor. Whenever he got into any office they would tell him. "What you have quoted is actually the lowest, but we shall not give you a contract."

He spent several months moving from one office to another without experiencing any success. Things grew from bad to worse. The situation continued to be worse until he had to sell his car.

One day, he got fed up and cried unto God, "Why should I, a prince of the Most High God become a hewer of wood and a drawer of water?" He cried unto God until there was no strength in him. God had mercy on him and opened his eyes. God asked him: "Do you want to know where your prosperity is?" God told him to open his Bible and he found a currency note inside it. He removed the currency note. God told him to check the Bible once again. He did and found another currency note. Again, he took the currency note. God asked him to check the Bible one more time. He opened the Bible and found another currency note in it. God then told him, "Your prosperity is in the gospel. You can attempt to do any other thing; you will never make it. However, if you choose to preach the gospel, you will live in prosperity and abundance."

MANIPULATION OF DESTINY

The eaters of dust have ensured that many people who were destined for greatness are going about as servants. The employer has become an employee, the wife has become the housemaid, those who are supposed to be high fliers have become spectators. Many people have been killed by the eaters of dust before such people could fulfil the plan of God for their lives.

Some people died without being able to carry out the assignment which God gave to them. Eaters of dust have pushed some people into disobedience. They have also made those who were given great assignments by God to die in disobedience to the heavenly vision. Such people have obtained straight tickets to hell fire.

A man of God had the privilege of pastoring a 5,000 strong congregation. One day, he had an unusual power-packed service. The members were so excited about that particular service that they made all kinds of remarks, "I see God here. God's Shekinah glory is here. This is the gate of heaven. God is here!"

The man of God was so happy, that he went home rejoicing. As far as he was concerned, that was the most powerful service he ever conducted. However he was shocked that somebody was waiting for him at home. The man greeted him, told a long story, and spent about two hours describing his

problems to the pastor. The pastor allowed him to finish and said, "Why did you miss today's service? If you were there, you would not have told me this kind of story." The man told the pastor that he was there and that God actually touched his life through the pastor's ministrations. The pastor was surprised and discouraged. He realised that the service was not as powerful as he felt and so began to think over the work he had been doing for the Lord.

He became so worried that he decided to seek the face of God concerning what he had been doing for the Lord. God answered his prayer by giving him a revelation. He saw himself approaching the gate of heaven and a voice asked him: "What is your name?" He said, "My name is John *Babatunde Esugbayi*." The heavenly voice replied: "What a pity, you were supposed to be a winner but you are now a failure. Why did you allow the world, the devil, and the flesh to change your destiny?" The pastor was surprised. He said, "Lord, I thought I was doing what you wanted me to do. I gave my life to Christ and all my decisions were sound and logical."

This heavenly voice responded, "Do you know that the fact that something is good, sound and logical does not mean that it is right? You are winning a race which no one asked you to run. Your purpose for coming to the world is to raise up and train prophets and prophetesses and become like my servant, Phillip, the evangelist who had four daughters and all of them prophesied. That was your divine destiny. You threw all these glorious children away in the den of free women and prostitutes."

The pastor became afraid and began to shiver. He managed to ask, "Lord, how did I get into all these?" The Lord replied him, "Your problems started with your name which honours the devil. Your proper name should have been John *Olusegun*." Then the vision vanished from his sight. The man of God was so baffled by what he saw. He never knew that a simple mistake could have cost him his destiny.

God opened the eyes of the man of God again and he saw another revelation. The Lord asked a woman, "What is your name?" The woman answered, "My name is Juliana Adams." A voice said to her, "Of course, you started well but you went off the track at a time you made four mistakes. One, you revealed your secret to your enemy. Two, you chose your husband out of

pride and not according to My will. You wanted a man that was shoulder higher than all the men around. That was how you chose a wrong person. Three, you kept sealed lips when I expected you to confess your problems to the men of God. Four, you are an alcoholic."

The pastor woke up with sweat all over him. It became very clear to him that a single mistake could destroy the destiny of a man or a woman.

CHANGE THE RULES

You must realise that a single mistake can make a believer to change the plan, the purpose and the programme of God for his life.

The story is told about how basketball started. Some people were playing football and it was against the rule to carry the ball with the hand. A man who happened to be a truant and a careless fellow suddenly carried the ball and started running towards the goal post of the opponents. The fans were shouting at him, telling him to drop the ball since he had violated the rules of the game. He turned deaf ears to what everybody was saying and kept on running until he got very close to the goal post, threw the ball into the net and shouted: "It is a goal!" Everybody was watching the referees' reaction and were all shocked when they discovered that the referee agreed that the man had actually scored a goal. That was how basketball started.

That man broke the rules and changed the game forever. People started thinking it would be wonderful if people could be allowed to throw the ball into a different kind of net. Basketball was born.

Do you know that if you can pray, you can change your destiny and rewrite history? You have an opportunity today, to change your destiny. You can stop your destiny from going along the wrong path. You must be able to challenge your life to go back to the track which God earmarked for it.

Do you know that every thing will continue as they are unless they are challenged? Goliath would have scattered the army of Israel if there was no one to challenge him. His ego was inflated when nobody was bold enough to challenge him. You can choose to change your destiny if you rise up in holy madness and declare, "Enough is enough." If you fold your hands, the eaters

of dust will sentence you to perpetual destruction.

Eaters of dust have destroyed all the good things in the lives of some people. Many people's destinies have been embalmed.

EVIL PROGRAMMES

A brother once said: "There is a very thin line between success and failure." A little mistake can change the whole course of your life. Let me give an example. If somebody was supposed to be a pilot and the eaters of dust decided to make him blind at the age of 15, that single thing will change his destiny.

Again, if a lady picks the wrong husband, that will change God's programme for her life. If you go to the university to do a wrong course, your destiny will be changed. If a girl is supposed to become a professor of medicine and she became pregnant and was sent out of the school, she will never realise her dream. No matter what God has prepared for you to do in his kingdom, you may not fulfil your ministry, if you made a vital mistake.

Some people were doing very well, until a sharp disagreement erupted between them and their parents. Problems came into the life of such people, when their parents cursed them bitterly. That single incident would affect their lives in negative ways. Others have destroyed their destinies by speaking harsh words to their helpers in life in a moment of anger. Some people have missed their greatest assignments in life just because they attended the wrong church fellowship.

This is how the eaters of dust have punctured the tyres of the vehicle of progress in the lives of multitudes. Eaters of dust have pushed many people down from great heights. They have programmed many people into useless assignments.

I had an experience when I was studying for my doctorate degree in England. There was a particular Nigerian student who made it a point of duty to mock me because I am a Christian. However, something happened when it was about three months to the end of his stay in England. I got a strange letter one day from him and when I looked at the envelope, I was surprised. The

envelope was marked 'Her Majesty's Prison'. I wondered who could have written a letter to me from the prison. I opened the letter and discovered that it was the student who had been laughing at me.

He wrote, "Please, come and visit me in the above-named prison. I have now given my life to Christ." He pleaded with me to buy some things for him whenever I come to visit him. I decided to find out what he did and looked out for those who normally preached in the prison. They told me how they preached to him and he gave his life to Christ. Immediately I went to visit him. I asked him a question, "What brought you here?" He said, "if I had listened to you when you were talking to me about Jesus Christ, I would not have found myself in this place." He kept on crying. I told him to stop crying and encouraged him to ask God for mercy. He prayed for divine mercy and later became an evangelist in the prison.

We started praying for him, asking God to set him free. His case came up for hearing in the court after a few months and an old English man was the presiding judge. He pronounced judgement thus, "Young man, the records that are available to us show that you have excellent grade in the university. You must be out of your mind. I am therefore, going to send you to a psychiatrist hospital in your country." We jumped for joy. We all knew that he was not mad. The judge acquitted him because of the prayers of the children of God. That prison experience was programmed into his life by eaters of dust.

You may ask: Why do people find themselves in serious troubles when God never planned such things for their lives? The answer is very simple. Men have freedom of choice. Most people who have become victims of eaters of dust have allowed such situations in their lives by choice. Do you know that a person can choose to perish or choose to be saved?

Adam made the first mistake. He chose to disobey God. He misused his precious gift of choice. He chose the destiny of suffering and death.

Look at this outstanding statement,

Genesis 3:14: And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field;

upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

The devil was told that he would eat dust all the days of his life. This statement may sound very simple when viewed at the surface level. Man was made from dust, and the devil was told to eat dust. These two statements show that the fallen nature of men is the devil's food. Man became the food of the serpent through Adam's disobedience. Satanic agents are the eaters of dust. However, Jesus came to destroy the works of the eaters of dust.

Jesus by His death, opened the door of dominion over sin, suffering and death. He finished the work which the Father gave Him to do and took the key of death and hell from satan. He made an open show of the devil and commanded everyone of us to put the devil under our feet. Satan is the number one eater of dust. The devil has turned the birthright and kingship of men into servant hood. He has succeeded in raising his own throne above the throne of man. Man has now become the serpent's meat. The fallen nature has become the devil's meat. Man has been made a slave, to be ruled by elemental forces. The devil has turned man's paradise into a prison yard. He has also turned man's inheritance into slaves' chains. The devil has kicked man out of his throne and has handed him over to demonic eaters of dust to feed on men, at will. This was caused by man's disobedience.

Disobedience pushed man into satan's prison. The only thing that can take him out of this prison is obedience. If you want to have power over eaters of dust, you must learn obedience to GOD's will. You must learn total obedience to the word of God, His will and His programmes for your life. You must align your life with the vision of God for you.

You must decide to change your destiny today. You must say good bye to failure and mediocrity. You must challenge the eaters of dust. Don't settle for a second position. Utilise your gift of choice properly. The forces of hell are raging and clamouring for your life. If you submit yourself to the wicked powers, they will eat your life up like dust.

STEPS TO FREEDOM

You may ask: How then can I change my destiny for the best? What must I

do to release myself from the grip of the eaters of dust?

You must be born again. Conversion is the foundation of every good thing in life. God is not obliged to bless anyone who is not His child. If you are reading this book and you have not really given your life to Christ, you must do so today.

Find out God's purpose for your life. "Pilate therefore said to him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered. Thou sayest that I am a king, to this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice" (John 18:37).

Jesus knew why He came to the world. Do you know why you are in the world? Ignorance concerning why you came into the world is dangerous. You must find out God's purpose for your life. You must find out His purpose for your existence. You must find out God's purpose for your marriage.

Don't be satisfied with your present position. Your present position may not be the best that God has for you. Don't be static. Move forward. Strive for excellence. Strive for more glory and fulfilment. Don't pattern your life after the people who built the tower of Babel. Don't be satisfied with your present situation. Believe God for a greater level.

Don't compromise your faith. Let the devil and the people of the world know what you believe.

Don't underrate your ability. Don't allow inferiority complex to rob you of your blessings. Don't make negative confessions. Speak like Paul; "I can do all things through Christ."

Don't consider the opinions of men. Twelve spies were sent to the land of Canaan. Ten of them came back to give a negative report. Those who listened to those ten people got into trouble. David's brother tried to discourage him from fighting Goliath. The crowd tried to stop blind Bartimaeus. He kept on shouting until he received his sight.

Don't consider the obstacles. Be prayerful. The way of excellence and glory is generally strewn with thorns. You must be ready to climb the

mountains, cross the rivers, fight the Amalekites, defeat the Jebusites, fight Goliath and emerge victorious. Prayer is the foundation of success. You must pray until, success and victory are yours.

Engage the help of the Holy Spirit. The Bible says, "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities... But the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which can not be uttered. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God" (Romans 8:26-27).

Mary was told that she would give birth to Jesus. She did not know how it was going to happen. "How shall these things be?" she asked. She was told that the power of the Holy Spirit would overshadow her. You must allow the Holy Ghost to overshadow you. You must enlist the help of the Spirit of God.

Do you know that the eaters of dust have blinded the eyes of men and women to this important truth? That is how they have succeeded to alter and pollute the destinies of people.

If Joseph had listened to the voices of eaters of dust, he would have committed immorality with his master's wife. There was no way Joseph would have got to the prison. Joseph was imprisoned because he refused to be a criminal. He got into the prison because he refused to do what was wrong. He rose from the status of a prisoner to a prime minister. If Joseph had accepted to do what his master's wife requested for, he would have lost his destiny. Both of them would have continued to commit fornication and Portiphar's wife would not have said anything that would have warranted Joseph's imprisonment.

I don't know how old you are right now. Perhaps your destiny has been caged for the past 30 or 50 years. If you want to experience a change, you have to do a great deal of praying. You need to pray aggressively in order to experience the resurrection of your destiny.

PRAYER POINTS

1. O Lord, give me the anointing to prosper physically and spiritually.

2. I want the anointing to prosper, in the name of Jesus.
3. My life, go back to your divine destiny, in the name of Jesus.
4. You anti-progress altar built against my life, be broken in the name of Jesus.
5. I command my destiny to change to the best, in the name of Jesus.
6. God of Elijah, answer me by fire today, in the name of Jesus.
7. I release my hand from every bewitchment, in the name of Jesus.
8. I forbid regrouping and reinforcement of any evil against my life, in the name of Jesus.
9. Let every vow of the enemy against my life be totally nullified, in the name of Jesus.
10. Lord, reverse all curses issued against me to good.
11. Let every satanic decision and judgement against my life become null and void, in the name of Jesus.
12. I command all serpentine and scorpion spirits to depart and go now, in the name of Jesus.
13. The spirit of self-destruction will not prosper in my life, in the name of Jesus.
14. The spirit of self-termination will not prosper in my life, in the name of Jesus.
15. I command evil inner voices to be silenced in my life, in the name of Jesus.
16. Let the concrete constructed by the enemy to stop the germination of my miracles be broken to pieces, in the name of Jesus.
17. Let the blood of Jesus erase the legal ground the enemy has against me, in the name of Jesus.
18. I close all the doors opened to the enemy forever with the blood of Jesus.
19. Let all the foothold and seat of the enemy in my life be abolished, in the name of Jesus.
20. I command all words contrary to God's Word spoken against me to fall dead to the ground and bear no fruit, in the name of Jesus.

21. Let the tongue of the enemy of my soul be divided and be destroyed, in the name of Jesus.
22. I withdraw every personal invitation I have given to the enemy for my destruction in the name of Jesus.
23. I vomit every satanic poison in my life, in the name of Jesus.
24. Let all evil hosts gathered against me begin to scatter and never to regroup again, in the name of Jesus.
25. Let all anti-testimony forces fashioned against my life scatter by the thunder of God and never regroup against me again, in the name of Jesus.
26. I reject partial or temporary freedom, in the name of Jesus.
27. I break the power of any demonic spell issued against my life, in the name of Jesus.
28. I paralyse all evil powers delaying my miracles, in the name of Jesus.
29. Let the anointing of the overcomer fall mightily upon my life, in the name of Jesus.
30. Let my tongue become an instrument of the glory of God, in the name of Jesus.
31. Let my hands become an instrument of divine prosperity, in the name of Jesus.
32. Let my eyes become an instrument of divine revelation, in the name of Jesus.
33. Let all my oppressors receive the leprosy of divine judgement, in the name of Jesus.
34. I withdraw my name from the list of untimely death, in the name of Jesus.
35. Let every evil consumption be flushed out of my system, in the name of Jesus.
36. You agents of frustration, I command you, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ loose your hold over my life.
37. You agents of poverty, I command you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, loose your hold over my life.
38. You agents of debt, I command you, in the name of our Lord Jesus

Christ, loose your hold over my life.

39. You agents of spiritual rags, I command you, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, loose your hold over my life.
40. You agents of defeat, I command you, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, loose your hold over my life.

CHAPTER SEVEN

THE VIPERS

There was a man of God in the Bible who said exactly what he meant and meant exactly what he said: He chose his words carefully. He was known for his pungency. I am referring to the forerunner of the Lord Jesus Christ, John the Baptist. Let us read one of the words which was spoken by him:

Matthew 3:7: But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

Here. John the Baptist called the Pharisees and the Sadducees a generation of vipers. In other words, he identified them with poisonous snakes. Let us now look at the words of John the Baptist against the backdrop of Mark 16:17-18:

And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; ¹⁸They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, It shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Before we attempt a comparison with the previous passage, let us look at the latter reference. There are five signs with which the believer can be identified. Here are they:

1. They shall cast out devil.
2. They shall speak with new tongues.
3. They shall not be affected by poison.
4. They shall heal the sick.
5. They shall take up serpents and they shall not be hurt.

The first four are quite clear to most people but the fifth sign has remained

unclear most Christian believers. The issue of dealing with vipers or snakes shall be thoroughly dealt with in this chapter.

Jesus made this statement after His resurrection, while John called his listeners the generation of vipers during his ministry. Believers are not expected to go about looking for poison to drink. Neither are we expected to go everywhere in search of serpents to handle. But the Bible has given every child of God the power to overcome all kinds of satanic attacks when they come against him.

Something happened to me many years ago which made me to know that all true children of God are divinely protected. That experience made me to know that there is a divine immunity for all children of God.

A couple came to fight against me because they did not want their child to attend Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries. Their complaint was that their child was no longer obeying them. They opined that it was because we had laid hands on him. However, I noticed that the man was putting his hands in his pocket while they were talking to me. He later brought out his hands for a handshake with me. The Spirit of God told me that there was a charm in his pocket. I challenged him and said that both he and his charm were worthless before God.

I told him to stop relying on elemental forces and give his life to Jesus. He was surprised that his charm did not work against me. I told him that I was going to demonstrate the vanity of such charm by putting my hands into his pocket and bringing out his charm. Then it dawned on him that his charm had been rendered useless by the power of God. That was an example of divine immunity.

What do you think would have been the case if that had happened to someone who had no fire? My encounter with that man also taught me a great lesson. I discovered that many people with whom we rubbed shoulders day in day out were carrying vipers and other poisonous objects on them. A moment's carelessness on the part of God's children can expose them to these vipers. If you are prayerless and come in contact with a demonic agent, who happens to be heavily loaded with vipers, you may experience an attack which will leave you in perpetual suffering and pain.

Many Africans go about with lots of charms, rings, amulets and other physical materials loaded with demonic power. These items are sometimes placed on their fingers, waist bands, pockets and other parts of their bodies for protection. Some of these items are also often used to harm other human beings.

Some Africans possess potent charms which they believe are capable of lifting them out of ghastly accident. If an accident takes place, the demon behind the charms, according to their belief, will ensure that no harm comes to them by taking them to a safe spot. Others also carry charms which they believe are capable of rendering them immune to gun shots, machet cuts and other physical injuries. Those who choose to be wicked often carry charms with which they can strike somebody dead on the spot. Some do not carry physical objects but have memorised some powerful incantations which, when chanted, is capable of causing physical bodily harm, insanity, or even death.

Things appear to have changed these days. The situation was so bad decades ago that everyone lived in fear as people destroyed one another with very powerful charms and incantations. The situation has changed tremendously because the gospel brought an end to the era of darkness and the raw demonstration of the power of darkness.

Something happened about 70 years ago when darkness was very pronounced in Africa. A man of God, who has been celebrated as the pioneer of the African Pentecostal movement, Apostle J. A. Babalola, had series of face-to-face encounters with the powers of darkness. He was so anointed that anywhere he found evil powers, demonic agents, powerful Idols and terrible demonic charms, he stood up to demonstrate the supremacy of the power of God over them.

This man of God was able to cause a change in the spiritual climate of many Nigerian communities in days when spiritual darkness was the order of the day.

There was a particular record which I read concerning the exploits of this respected man of God. While conducting one of his crusades, he announced that everyone who had charms (juju or voodoo) should come to the front and

surrender them. Nobody could resist the instruction. People came rushing forward to deposit their charms near the stage. Within 30 minutes a great mountain had been made of charms, rings, talismans, amulets, demon idols, waistbands, neckbands, and other forms of objects which they relied on for power, protection, magic, prosperity and immunity from attacks by evil powers. What was deposited was so massive that it left everyone wondering that such a great quantity of charms were hidden in the bodies of those who came to attend the crusade.

The man of God decided to show everyone at the crusade that the charms which some of the participants were depending upon were completely powerless. I was baffled myself when I saw the picture of the mountain of charms. However, something spectacular happened as the man of God decided to burn all the charms. A particular charm jumped out of the fire and started to speak the native Yoruba language. This charm which was a waist band, decided to address the woman who brought it and deposited it near the podium.

The charm addressed the woman thus, "Ajike, is this what you planned to do with me after I have protected you for so many years?" The woman answered from the crowd, "I am sorry, Jesus has separated us. I no longer want to have anything to do with you." The man of God took the charm and threw it back into the fire. The charm jumped out a few minutes later and spoke again. "Ajike, if you are going to part with me at this point, then you must return my pot of charms." Again the woman replied, "Don't worry, the pot is under my bed. I am going to bring it out and deposit it at the same spot where you handed it over to me."

The man of God finally took the charm and threw it in the fire where it was eventually burnt to ashes. But tell me, how many modern day Christians can handle that kind of stubborn charm the way the man of God did?

The Acts of Apostles has been referred to as the acts of the Holy Spirit. It is a very exciting book. Every chapter pulsates with action and each page leaps with spectacular events and miracles. The Acts of Apostles tells us what the New Testament churches should look like. Some of the things which people find amazing today are elementary if viewed from the perspective of the book

of Acts. Incidents like power encounter, falling under the anointing deliverance, miracles, signs and wonders which take place during any of our normal services that people view with great wonder and surprise are mere preliminaries in the book of Acts.

Our own powerful services today are the type of things that took place in their own prayer meetings. If we should compare what we have seen so far with what we read on the pages of the book of Acts we will discover that we have not started at all. The Acts of the Apostles gives us a picture of churches that were active at all times. The Acts of the Apostles churches were filled with power. Every service was a spectacular experience.

When the first miracle took place in the book of Acts, the altar was bombarded by an excited crowd. The entire building was thrown into disarray. A holy commotion ensued. They all wondered how such an outstanding miracle took place. Then Peter stood up and told them that what they saw was the demonstration of the power of the Lord Jesus, who died, resurrected and commissioned them to preach the gospel. He challenged the people to give their lives to Christ. Five thousand people gave their lives to Christ that day.

Another incident which demonstrated the power of God was the attempt by a man who decided to give out money to the apostles to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Filled with holy anger, Peter said, "Your money perish with thee." The man decided to repent when he discovered that the man of God was pronouncing judgement upon him. That is not the case today. Instead of rebuking those who are taking the power of God for granted, many modern day pastors are looking for money. They are ready to sell their anointing for a morsel of bread. They are busy collecting money from counsellees, deliverance candidates and those who ask that they should conduct night vigils for them.

How many people can tell rich men who are trying to take the power of God for granted, "Your money perish with thee. I perceive that you are in the gall of bitterness and iniquity?" It appears that we now have ministers who are ready to commercialise the gospel and sell their anointing for a pittance. It is my prayer that the church will get back to the days of the Acts of the

Apostles.

The Acts of the Apostles centres on the celebration of the triumph of the church over the forces of darkness. The breed of Christians we come across in the book of Acts could not be compared with modern day Christians who have little or nothing to show for their profession. The believers in the book of Acts constituted a threat to the enemies of the gospel. They gave the ruling powers lots of sleepless nights while they faced persecution.

The Acts of the Apostles is a glorious book. I counsel you to sit down and read the entire book. You can do that in two or three hours. You will discover what the New Testament church should look like.

The apostles harassed demons. Somebody was following Paul saying, "These men are the servants of the Most High." Paul turned back and commanded the evil spirit to come out of her. And the evil spirit obeyed instantly. That kind of demonstration of power does not take place in today's modern churches. Most 20th- century churches are miles apart from the fervency, the power, the spiritual fire and the demonstration of the power of God which characterised the early church. Most of our churches today are spiritually dead.

I was a member of one of such churches before I became born again. I was quite excited when I had my first experience in a spiritually fervent church. What took place in that church appeared very strange to me. I witnessed the declaration of prophecies. Someone who did not have a genuine prophetic gift said, "Thus saith the Lord, none of you is taking care of my servant. You are supposed to buy Bournvita, sugar, rice and beans for my servant. You must do so if you want me to be happy with you. Then every one of you must put cups of water outside overnight. The water becomes your healing medicine immediately the dew falls on it. Thus saith the Lord. It shall be well with you."

All of a sudden another "thus saith the Lord", exploded from someone in the congregation. He said, "Thus saith the Lord, how dare you come to the house of the Lord to prophesy with the spirit of divination. I shall strike you with affliction if you fail to repent right now." Then the false prophet stood up trembling and crying out in repentance. He said, "I'm sorry, I didn't know

that there is fire in this place. I won't ever try it again: I was surprised. That was my first time of witnessing the open demonstration of the power of God.

Let us take a close look at an incident which took place in the book of Acts. Acts 28:1-10:

And when they were escaped, then they knew that the island was called Melita. And the barbarous people showed us no little kindness: for they kindled a fire, and received us every one, because of the present rain, and because of the cold. And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand. And when the barbarians saw the venomous beast hang on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not to live. And he shook off the beast into the fire, and felt no harm. Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god. In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously. And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him. So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed: Who also honoured us with many honours; and when we departed, they laded us with such things as were necessary.

We have lots of lessons to learn from this passage. One prominent thing which comes out more than any other thing is the fact that the devil had an evil intention for the life of Paul the apostle.

The book of Acts started and continued on a glorious triumphant note. The devil had, therefore, planned to end everything with shame, defeat and tragedy. He, therefore, sent a poisonous serpent to inject deadly poison into the hands of Paul the apostle. The reaction of the inhabitants of the island shows that they were never in doubt as to the deadly power of the venomous beast. They had known, through series of experiences, that everyone who was attacked by the viper generally died instantly. That shows us that the main

intention of the devil was to kill Paul through the poison of the viper.

Satan planned to terminate Paul's life in a disgraceful manner. How can it be said that the man who raised the dead and healed the sick was killed by a viper? Unknown to everyone the devil *I* had already hidden a viper in the wood. He had given an instruction to the viper to bite Paul. That is exactly what the devil is doing today. He is hiding lots of vipers in the wood and has given them instructions to bite believers. Satan has hidden lots of vipers in the believers' pathway. These kinds of vipers can also be in your body, soul and spirit. They are generally hidden from people's view. They wait secretly for the best opportunity to strike their victims.

I don't know the kind of viper which is hidden in your life at this moment. The viper may be so close to you waiting for an opportunity to strike you. Gehazi was a servant of God. Unknown to him, there was a viper hiding somewhere in his life. Later the viper came out and struck him. Gehazi, who could have been the prophet with the four-fold anointing or one of the most powerful men in the Bible, allowed the viper of covetousness to ruin him. He failed to get rid of the viper of greed and covetousness. And it became his undoing.

Although he was going in and out with a man of God, he allowed covetousness to rob him of his great opportunities in life. One of the greatest prayer points which you can pray for yourself is this:

I refuse to become history while I am still living, in the name of Jesus.

Close your eyes right now and pray that prayer point.

WHAT IS A VIPER?

Vipers represent very poisonous and dangerous spirits. Some of the people who you rub shoulders with day in day out are terrible vipers in human flesh. You hardly can find somebody around you that can say that he has once met the devil at the bus-stop. The devil cannot appear in human form. However, he generally possesses people through whom he carries out his evil activities. The devil is busy walking around in human beings looking for men and women to steal, kill or destroy.

The viper is a poisonous creature. Biologists tell us that the viper feeds on scorpions. It is common knowledge that scorpions are poisonous in themselves. What then happens when a viper swallows a scorpion with all its poison? No doubt, it will become more poisonous. It becomes clear, therefore, that a viper is a demonic force which drains the power of lower demonic spirits and adds it to its own. That is why the poison of the viper can kill instantly.

The viper has a very beautiful skin. It is indeed beautiful to behold but it is terribly wicked inwardly. This gives us the picture of painted hypocrites: beautiful and admirable on the outside but terrible inside. They look innocent and attractive outwardly but there is poison inside them. If you can open up their hearts, you will discover that they are filled with lust, terror, wickedness and all forms of evil activities.

Something happened when I went somewhere to minister, a long time ago. There was a lady who appeared to be in charge of everything. She led the opening prayer, handled the praise worship, made announcements and led in sharing the grace. I was quite impressed. After the service, the lady came to kneel down before me for prayer. I closed my eyes in readiness to pray for her with all my heart when the Holy Spirit asked me not to pray for her. I tried to find out why. The Holy Spirit told me, "Don't lay your hand upon that fornicator." I decided to keep the information to myself. I simply told her to see me later.

She came back after I had attended to everybody and I told her to sit down. Then I confronted her with the information which the Holy Spirit had given to me. "My Sister I want you to tell me the truth. The Holy Spirit has told me that you are a fornicator." She started crying, "I don't know what is wrong with me. There is a particular man in my place of work who normally comes to my house whenever it appears that I am making progress spiritually. He normally comes around 11.00 p.m., and would tell me that it was too late to go back home. Then I would allow him to sleep in my house. Before I knew what was happening he would have forced me to have sex with him. That happened to me regularly."

That was her own viper. She was highly active in the church yet the viper

of fornication was biting her.

If you have such a viper in your life and you fail to deal with it, that kind of man will come to you on the very day agents of household wickedness have planned to attack you. They will wait quietly for as long as it takes the man to finish with you, then they will take over from there and inject the poison of death into your life. That will be the end of the story. Everybody will begin to wonder why such a person died suddenly. Nobody would know that there was a viper in the victim's life before death came.

Vipers are terrible creatures. The young ones that are in the belly of their mothers, normally eat up the body of their mothers in order to come out. That means that the mother would be dead by the time the young ones are born.

Vipers are extremely wicked creatures. They have no mercy. Female vipers are known to be generally more wicked than male vipers. If a male viper bites anyone, there will be two holes in the person's body. But if it is a female viper, there will be four holes in the body of the person. Hence anyone who is bitten by a female viper will suffer serious pain.

I am highly disturbed by the situation which many people are going through. The Lord has told me that a lot of people who have been lifted up to great heights are playing with very wicked vipers. God has given me revelations about people who are climbing very high ladders, but are busy feeding snakes and scorpions at the same time. What surprises me about some fellows is that they are actually on top of the ladder, but they will come down to the base of the ladder to feed these creatures who are waiting to bite them. That is why you must pray very hard or you will begin to feed your enemy.

Satan has hidden all kinds of vipers in the lives of so many people. These hidden vipers generally hide and come out to strike at the right time. They come in the form of seducers, Jezebels, unfriendly friends, household wickedness and other secret satanic agents, who are always ready to destroy people's lives. Many people's lives have been destroyed because of the vipers of arrogance, pride, anger and strife, which are programmed into their lives to rise up at the right time and strike them.

I remember a man who allowed a dangerous viper to come into his life. He was a highly respected man of God whom God had used in a fantastic way to conduct crusades throughout the country. Before the vipers attacked him, he was happily married. He and his wife were above 50 years. He suddenly woke up one day and said that he was going to marry a young lady and that his older wife was no longer suitable. All those who were around him tried to persuade him not to take a new wife but he refused. He told all of them that he was bent on marrying a young girl who befitted him. He went ahead and married a young member of his church. Unfortunately, he lost the power of God.

I knew a sister who was on fire for God, but later left the faith. She was a challenge to everyone. Incidentally she was married to a popular evangelist. She was so anointed that miracles generally took place whenever she rendered any song on the crusade ground. It was strange that this same woman who carried wonderful healing anointing should decide to abandon her evangelist husband, and run away with one Alhaji who was living in the same building with them. Everybody began to ask questions. "How did Sister so and so decide to run away with an Alhaji?"

Unknown to them, the viper of covetousness and adultery was hidden in her life. It only struck when it found an opportunity. The woman's life ended on a very sad note.

I want you to close your eyes and pray this prayer point.

Satan will not write the last chapter of my life, in the name of Jesus.

Did you pray that prayer point seriously? Satan wanted to write the last chapter in Paul's life but he failed. Unfortunately, satan has succeeded in writing the last chapter in the lives of hundreds and thousands of Christians who decided to be careless. Many people's lives have been concluded on a bad note. The devil has succeeded in making many people who started very well to end on a very sad note. The devil knows that the beginning and the middle of the life of any person would not matter if he could succeed in making the last chapter a terrible one. I want you to take that prayer point again.

Satan will not write the last chapter of my life, in the name of Jesus.

One of the greatest men of God who ever lived happened to be an American evangelist. He was so anointed that it has become difficult up till now, to find anyone who can be compared with him. The anointing which God gave him was so unusual that a hallow always appeared around him whenever he ministered. Every time he ministered, outstanding miracles generally took place. His level of anointing was so great that everyone prayed to be like him. All he had to do was to read the Bible. An angel of God always stood before him to tell him exactly what to say while preaching.

Whenever it was miracle time everyone became surprised at the level of anointing. He would minister for so many hours until he became so tired that he had to be carried on a stretcher out of the crusade ground.

Although he was highly anointed by God he began to derail and he came up with some strange false doctrines. For example, he started teaching that the fruit which God told Adam and Eve not to eat in the garden of Eden was sex. He began to teach that It was satan or the serpent that taught her how to have sex; something which God did not want them to do. He went ahead to teach that Eve went ahead to practise it with her husband.

There is a passage in the book of Revelation where seven thunders were said to have struck. He said that he had discovered that John, the writer of the book of Revelation, was told not to disclose anything about the seven thunders. He said several other things that bordered on errors. Towards the end of his life, he started drinking alcohol. He was knocked down by a moving trailer and died. When an autopsy was carried out on his corpse, they found a lot of alcohol in his system. That was how a great man of God died a drunkard. Why don't you pray that prayer point once again?

Satan, you will not write the last chapter of my life, in the name of Jesus.

Let us go back to Paul's story. The devil carefully selected the audience which gathered around him before whom he wanted to disgrace Paul. Those present were:

1. Paul's captors

2. Fellow prisoners
3. The Barbarians of the Island of Melita

Paul had preached to all these groups. Some of them had believed while some had decided to disregard what he preached; in spite of the fact that they had seen miracles, signs and wonders. The devil had made up his mind to disgrace Paul among his enemies, strangers and young converts. It is amazing that satan generally plans the kinds of places to disgrace God's people. It is also amazing that satan generally chooses to disgrace God's people before their enemies.

Satan plotted to disgrace Samson before the Philistines whom God had used him to disgrace. Samson died as a worthless person on the battle field. My prayer for you is that you will not die on the battle field. The same devil plotted to disgrace Moses before the same group of people whom he led out of the land of Egypt. The same man who led them out of bondage, never got to the promised land. That is what the devil wants to do in the life of everyone.

The barbarians came up with their own judgement. When they saw the snake on Paul's hand they opined that he must be a criminal or a murderer; if a snake must attack him after getting to a place of safety. That was exactly the kind of testimony which Satan wanted to fasten on Paul's life. At the end, the satanic audience, before whom the devil wanted to disgrace Paul, became witnesses of the disgrace of the devil. The devil was not only disgraced but also lost the entire island to God and Paul. The viper lost the battle, while Paul won.

I don't care what the devil has planned against your life. The important thing is that God is going to give you victory. Satan might have assembled the worst of men to amplify and dramatise disgrace against you. God knows how to turn the table around. He knows how to turn the table against the devil. The viper must lose the battle.

Why don't you close this book right now and affirm this confession seven hot times: ***The viper must lose the battle, in the name of Jesus.***

Additionally, I want you to pray this prayer point.

The satanic audience gathered against me shall glorify the Lord in me, in the name of Jesus.

Paul was promoted from the status of a murderer to the elevated position of "a god." When the viper was cast into the fire all the bad names previously given to him changed. While God was busy planning to elevate Paul the devil was also planning to bring him to shame. God knew what the people were planning, yet he decided to bring out Paul as a bait. He used that to draw the viper out of its hidden place and then destroyed it inside the fire. My prayer for you is that God will use you as a bait to bring out all your enemies for destruction.

We learnt a lesson from the life of Paul. He first shook off the serpent inside the waiting fire and it was destroyed. Shake off the viper in your life and it will fall into the fire of God.

The viper had been hidden among the cold dead wood. In the same way satan loves to dwell in cold lifeless places. He loves to dwell inside the lives of men and women who lack the fire of God. Fire is an expeller. When there is sufficient fire in your life the viper cannot stand the environment of your life.

Why don't you close your eyes right now and pray this prayer point.

Oh Lord, let Your fire expel every viper in my life, in the name of Jesus.

If your fire is dying out, it will be obvious to you. If the tempo of your prayer is going down, if you are no longer interested in studying the word of God, you better fan it back to life. The fire which Paul lit brought life and warmth into him, while it brought death to the viper. In other words, it brought warmth and comfort to the people of God and judgement to the enemy. In the same vein, the same fire which shall lead to your deliverance shall lead to the doom of the enemy.

The same Red Sea which meant deliverance to the children of Israel meant destruction to the enemy. The same place which became a pathway for God's people to pass through became the enemies' watery grave. The night that

brought joy to Israel brought sorrow to the Egyptians. The den of lions which promoted Daniel, disgraced and destroyed those who opposed him. The fiery furnace which was turned to an air conditioned apartment for Shadrach, Meshrach and Abednego was what burnt the strong men who threw them there, to ashes. Just as the fire brought warmth to Paul and death to the viper, that which is life to you shall kill your enemy. Why don't you affirm that statement by saying: "What brings life to me shall kill my enemy."

The inhabitants of the island of Melita were thoroughly familiar with all the casualties which had been recorded through the venom of the viper. If you ask them they would give you all the names of those who had been killed by the viper. In other words, the viper had fearful credentials. However, it was publicly disgraced. A lot of people had a different impression about Goliath when he came out boasting for 40 days. However, the situation changed when God sent a little boy to publicly disgrace him. It is my prayer for you that all satanic champions who are boasting against your life will be disgraced, in the name of Jesus.

Although Satan has a viper, God also has dangerous men. It is possible that the previous satanic credentials which have been paraded before you may constitute a threat to you. But you don't have to worry, because God's credentials are greater than Satan's.

According to a popular Nigerian saying, "Man pass man." Your enemy may invoke the powers of trees and rocks but you are calling upon the name of the living God. Your enemies may be consulting water spirits and other beggarly powers but you are calling upon the name of the Lord of Hosts. Your enemy is lighting all kinds of colourful candles while you are calling the name of Jesus. Who shall win the battle? The answer is obvious. God shall triumph over all his enemies as well as your enemies.

The viper represents death, opposition, challenge, bondage and Satan. When you read the Scriptures you will discover that the viper knew his target. He fastened around the hand of Paul. Why did it make Paul's hand his target? The devil knows that the hand was what Paul was laying on those who were sick. That hand represented the ministry and the effectiveness of Paul. That was where the viper chose to fasten himself around in order to lead Paul into

bondage. Paul's hand would have been rendered useless to him as long as it was held under bondage by the viper.

Many people's hands are In chains today. This may not be seen physically, but it is real. A lot of people who walk about in the streets have their legs and hands in shackles. A lot of people who walk in the streets have cobwebs all over their bodies. Unfortunately, these people-cannot see these things.

However, I have good news for you. God's judgement is waiting for the viper. All you have to do is to cast it into the fire of God's judgment.

I want you to close your eyes now and pray this prayer point:

I shake off every viper fastened to my hand into the fire of Judgment, in the name of Jesus.

There are lots of people who have tried to shake off the serpent which fastened itself to their hands but have failed woefully. It is normally expected that when a true child of God shakes off a viper it should automatically land in the fire. If that fails to happen something must be wrong somewhere. Paul succeeded in casting the viper in the fire because there was nothing in him which the enemy could challenge. The moment he shook off the viper, it fell into the fire.

If a serpent refuses to get off your hand, there must be some reasons for it. Let me state the two major reasons: LACK OF DELIVERANCE AND INCOMPLETE DELIVERANCE.

A good deliverance process takes place in five stages:

At New Birth - You must be born again before deliverance can be successfully carried out in your life.

Those who trouble Israel must be detected - You must be able to detect the powers that are really troubling your life. A sister once prayed that God should show her the secret of her problem. God gave her a revelation in which she saw herself entering a tree and coming out several times. It then dawned on her that she was the power behind her problem.

You must eject the unprofitable tenant - This is a very good deliverance

process. That is why statements like 'Come out', 'Depart', 'Release me' and 'Be ejected', are common when deliverance is being carried out. When you begin to ask all unwanted tenants to get out of your life you are taking the right step.

You must remove all their deposits - Vipers generally deposit things into the lives of their victims. What generally happens is that evil powers place some objects in people's lives. These materials are used to make life comfortable for them. If the life of a human being is likened to a house the viper normally keeps things like the refrigerator, carpet, tables and chairs in people's lives. These materials are satanic deposits. If somebody begins to pray, I release myself from spirit husbands, you must not stop there. You must go ahead to demand the removal of all the strange deposits which were injected into your life.

You must repair what has been destroyed - When vipers attack a particular life they generally spoil many things. You must repair all these things.

Barricade yourself against future attack and possible reentry - You must specifically pray against any future attack. That is why we normally say: No reinforcement, no regrouping and no counter attack. However, a lot of people have become the feeding bottle of the enemy. The enemy keeps on feeding on them because there is a hole of the teat of the feeding bottle. When you discover that the devil keeps on coming into your life, you must check whether you have been delivered partially or whether you are still under complete bondage.

The following are evidences of lack of complete deliverance.

1. Unexplainable reduction in your prayer life.
2. Unprofitable Bible reading.
3. Sleeping during messages
4. Lack of interest in fasting.
5. Sudden and unexplainable depression.
6. Paying little or no attention to scriptural warning.
7. Lack of regular Bible reading.

8. Reading the Bible to look for contradictions.
9. Reading the Bible to teach others
10. Praying mechanically
11. When you no longer feel bad when you commit sin
12. When bad dreams are replacing good ones.

The second reason vipers continue to fasten themselves onto the hands and lives of people is because of disobedience. God is looking for obedient children. He is not looking for educated people, rich men and women, or popular men and women. He is always looking for obedience in the hearts of people. What we value means nothing to God; that is why you must make up your mind to be obedient to Him today.

PRAYER POINTS

1. I dissociate myself from any invitation by demonic friends in the name of Jesus.
2. I charge my finances with the fire of the Holy Ghost in Jesus' name.
3. O Lord, let me have favour in Your sight.
4. O Lord, give unto me spiritual revelation that would advance my life.
5. O Lord, rend the heavens open and reveal hidden treasures to me.
6. O Lord, rend the heavens open and bring helpers to me in Your own way.
7. I cast every masquerading problem into the Red Sea in Jesus' name.
8. O Lord, refresh me and energize me.
9. Let the anointing for holiness fall upon me in the name of Jesus.
10. I possess the gate of the enemy today in the name of Jesus.
11. I claim increased vision in the name of Jesus.
12. I claim increased wisdom in the name of Jesus.
13. Let my spirit, soul and body be complete in every way in Jesus' name.
14. Lord, make a hedge to protect my family, property and possession.
15. Lord, send Your angels to do battle on my behalf.

16. Let all attacks and traps of the enemy be frustrated in Jesus' name.
17. I walk in divine safety and I refuse to enter into the net of the enemy in the name of Jesus.
18. O God, be my hiding place and preserve me from evil in all areas of life in the name of Jesus.
19. O God, surround me with songs of deliverance in the name of Jesus.
20. I conquer evil with good in my life and in my environment in the name of Jesus.
21. I conquer fear with faith in my life in the name of Jesus.
22. I render all evil challenges over my life powerless in the name of Jesus.
23. Let Your fire destroy and damage my spiritual ignorance in the name of Jesus.
24. I fire back all the arrows of the enemy in the name of Jesus.
25. O Lord, provide a way of escape from spiritual traps for me.
26. O Lord, surprise my adversaries by making my life a miracle in all areas.
27. Lord, deliver my shoulder from evil burdens.
28. I reverse all the problems I have caused with my mouth, in the name of Jesus.
29. I command .all spiritual vehicles fashioned against me to crash, in the name of Jesus.
30. O Lord, let all strange fire being prepared by the enemy whether in the second heaven, on earth or under neath the earth be quenched.
31. Let every evil tongue issuing destruction against my life be condemned, in the name of Jesus.
32. Let all the troubler of my Israel be disbanded and confused, in the name of Jesus.
33. Let the blood of Jesus begin to cleanse off all unprofitable marks in my life, in the name of Jesus.
34. Let all strange hands that have touched my blood for evil manipulation be neutralised by the blood of Jesus, in the name of Jesus.
35. I reject every spirit that abandons blessings in my life, in the name of

Jesus.

36. I receive divine victory over the host of wickedness surrounding me, in the name of Jesus.
37. I bind every spirit of deception working against me, in the name of Jesus.
38. I stand against every dream defeat, in the name of Jesus.
39. Let every spirit that has ever attacked me or that is attacking me in the form of a cat receive the fire of God, in the name of Jesus.
40. Let every spirit that has ever attacked me or that is attacking me in the form of a spider receive the fire of God, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER EIGHT

DEALING WITH THE QUEEN OF HEAVEN

The devil hates this topic. He does not want anyone to gain insight into the secrets of his kingdom. His pathological hatred for mankind, especially Christians, is why he wants to keep men and women in the dark concerning the way to total freedom. What you are going to read in these pages is sacred and important that you need to first of all cover yourself with the blood of Jesus. This is an uncommon topic. It is so deep that it can only be understood through divine revelation.

After gaining spiritual insight into this topic you must pray aggressively so you will get into victory and dominion.

Now, let us start by praying these prayer points.

1. I cover myself with the blood of Jesus
2. I soak my body, soul and spirit in the blood of Jesus
3. O Lord, today, I shall decree a thing and it shall be established.
4. I shall receive unstoppable victory, in the name of Jesus
5. Let the lions of the enemy eat him up. In the name of Jesus

The importance of knowing how to "wage a good warfare" cannot be over emphasised. To win the battle against satan and his agents you must learn warfare principles that will guarantee you victory in all spiritual battles.

Entering the battle field without proper knowledge concerning spiritual warfare is the greatest mistake anyone can make. How true are the words of the ancient prophet which says: "**My people perish for lack of knowledge**" (**Hosea 4:8**).

What we shall be considering is not only important to the individual believer, it is also important to your nation and the entire world. Waging war

against the Queen of Heaven is no child's play. In fact, it is a battle to be fought with every spiritual strength within you. I want you to close your eyes at this point as you take this very important prayer point:

Every spiritual check-point against my life in the heavenlies, crash, in the name of Jesus.

FOUNDATION SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 7:16-18: Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to me: for I will not hear thee. ¹⁷Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem? ¹⁸The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead *their* dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger.

These are strange words! The worship of the Queen of Heaven constituted such sordid abomination to God that He had to say that no one should pray for those who were worshipping such demonic personalities. You wonder Why God should say that a group of people should not be prayed for. You will discover the reasons as you read on. Let us examine another passage.

Jeremiah 44:17-22: But we will certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn incense unto the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have done, we, and our fathers, our kings, and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem: for *then* had we plenty of victuals, and were well, and saw no evil. ¹⁸But since we left off to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, we have wanted all *things*, and have been consumed by the sword and by the famine. ¹⁹And when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink offerings unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her, without our men? ²⁰Then Jeremiah said unto all the people, to the men, and to the women, and to all the people which had given him *that* answer, saying, ²¹The incense that ye burned in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, ye, and your fathers, your kings, and your princes, and the people of the land, did not the LORD

remember them, and came it *not* into his mind? ²²So that the LORD could no longer bear, because of the evil of your doings, *and* because of the abominations which ye have committed; therefore is your land a desolation, and an astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.

The children of Israel brought up strange complaints. They stated that things were better when they served the queen of heaven. They were so sold out to demonic worship that they equated prosperity and well-being with the worship of the Queen of Heaven. This passage makes us to know that the worship of the Queen of Heaven has an age-long practice among mankind. People have worshipped queen of heaven from time immemorial. This sacrilegious worship still goes on today.

For further insight, let us look at the book of prophet Nahum which gives us a clearer identity of the Queen of Heaven.

Nahum 3:1-4: Woe to the bloody city! it is all full of lies *and* robbery; the prey departeth not; ²The noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the pransing horses, and of the jumping chariots. ³The horseman lifteth up both the bright sword and the glittering spear: and *there is* a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcasses; and *there is* none end of *their* corpses; they stumble upon their corpses: ⁴Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts.

There is a very strong link between the activities of the Queen of heaven and shedding of blood. Shedding of blood has become a permanent feature in many African nations. In Nigeria, for example, thousands of people have died in mysterious circumstances. The Jesse town episode, we all know, claimed about thousands of lives. Hundreds of souls also died in the mayhem that took place in Ketu, Lagos, Nigeria. Recently, many lives were also lost in the riot that took place in Northern Nigeria. These events are not ordinary. They are offshoots of the activities of the Queen of Heaven.

The fourth verse of Nahum 3 identifies the fiend behind the catastrophic occurrences. The power behind all these loss of lives is no other person than the harlot, the mistress of witchcraft, otherwise known as the Queen of

Heaven. This demonic personality, unknown to most of us, has continued to hold sway over the nations of the world. She has kept Nigeria and other nations under tight grip.

The Queen of Heaven is not a force to be neglected. She is a demonic personality which must be identify, battle and conquer. The book of revelation provides another insight into the wicked acts which has been perpetrated by the notorious queen of heaven.

Rev. 17:1-6: And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew Smite the enemy, and he will flee unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: ²With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. ³So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. ⁴And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: ⁵And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. ⁶And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

The sphere of influence of the Queen of Heaven is so vast that it can hardly be fathomed. The passage we have just read tells us that this female personality sits on many waters. In other words, she controls nations. Kings and presidents are under her sphere of influence. Although she rules in the spiritual realm she actually controls what happens in real life.

Therefore, we must not be ignorant concerning the amount of damage which she has done in individual lives, families, communities, nations and continents. The Bible has removed the veil that shrouded her mysterious activities. It is very clear on her power and the activities. Strange enough, little or nothing is taught in many churches concerning her activities. Many ministers have refused to teach this topic simply because they personally find

it difficult to understand it. I must not fail to say that the Queen of Heaven herself makes serious effort to keep people in the dark concerning her evil deeds.

One thing that gladdens my heart is the fact that God has left no one in darkness concerning her activities. That the Bible is very clear concerning the reality and the activities of the Queen is an undeniable fact. The Bible presents her as a diabolical being of no mean status. She is a demonic goddess that has positioned herself illegally between heaven and earth. Heaven belongs to God, but since devil has revolted against the Lord he has occupied a place in the spiritual realm where he also positions high-ranking demons. The Queen of Heaven is a demonic queen - a very wicked demonic personality.

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

At this point let us draw some important lessons from all the scriptures that we have read concerning the Queen of Heaven.

She wields strong influence over families. The Bible says that -the children gathered wood". What is the import of this? Many children have been reduced to gatherers and hewers of wood. As soon as most children are born their destinies are tempered with by the Queen of heaven. Immediately she discovers that a particular child is destined to become an achiever or a high flier she will quickly pervert the child's destiny.

She converts fathers Into fire lighters. Fathers are robbed re-of their dignity and nobility. They are reduced to undertaking useless assignments.

She also converts mothers to bakers.

She is a goddess that sponsors cakes. These give us meaningful Insight into lots of sacrifices that are carried out in African nations. Those who celebrate some ceremonies or carry out some rituals by frying bean cake, buns and other delicacies are her devotees.

The common practice among some African tribes is to fry bean cakes when they give birth to twin babies. People also fry local African delicacies to

perform rituals or celebrate the departure of dead relatives. Whenever these things are done the people involved, are paying homage to the great goddess, the Queen of Heaven. To participate in this kind of ceremony is to worship the Queen of Heaven.

Libations are poured unto her. The act of pouring libations is a prominent feature in many communal and traditional festivals. In African mythology, it is believed that the moment libations are poured, the gods would accept the act of worship as sacrifice. Today, men pour wine on the ground. The story was different several years ago. Worshippers of the queen of heaven used to pour, human or animal blood on the ground.

There is a slight demonic improvement as a result of modernity. Somebody rises up with a bottle of wine and says, "Let us appease the powers that be." This has become fashionable. When someone buys a car or builds a house the elders or avowed traditionalists would say that the gods require the pouring of libation. No matter what is poured on the ground, it is offered to the Queen of Heaven. Have you ever poured libation? If you have done so, you are a worshipper of the Queen of Heaven even if it was done in ignorance.

The Bible makes it very clear that the worship of the Queen of Heaven provokes God to anger. Whoever worships the Queen of Heaven is an enemy of God. God became so angry that He told Jeremiah not to pray for those who got involved in the worship of the Queen of heaven.

Burning incense is another activity which is carried out by those who worship her. Any religion that is characterised by the practice of burning incense is part and parcel of the worship of the Queen of Heaven.

The Queen of Heaven gives false prosperity. She has been empowered by the devil to make her adherents rich: Millions of people have become wealthy by opting to serve the queen of heaven. Many people actually go to satanic agents to receive strange power to get wealth.

The Queen of Heaven gives false security. The devil, through the instrumentality of the Queen of Heaven, has given false security to multitudes. No matter what such people do, they continue to enjoy security. They escape accidents, gunshots do not harm them and they are able to

escape mishaps or calamities through some mysterious powers.

She is capable of granting agricultural prosperity to those who worship her. Farm crops yields fantastic results by reason of dedication to the Queen of Heaven. The devil uses this to capture the souls of men.

She gives beauty. When the devil wants to capture a soul, he uses her to give beauty to innocent victims. Such victims often become proud, and when pride sets in destruction is sure. There are many ladies in the streets with satanic beauty, and those who are proud because of their beauty have received the anointing that emanates from the domain of the Queen of Heaven.

Harlotry or prostitution is part of her deposits. It may surprise you, she is one of the most dangerous principalities that satan relies on to carry out his evil plan. To put it in today's English, the Queen of Heaven is satan's vice president. She is a very sophisticated satanic agent. More to that, she is an astute strategist, a wicked propagandist and a diabolical personality. She is so sophisticated that she can be found in all cultures. She has affected all cultures in all tribes. She is the same personality that introduces the concept of God as a female deity.

She is the mother of all priestesses. It is unfortunate that many people who are now Christians were born by mothers who were priestesses in local shrines. Of course, such mothers would have dedicated all their children to the Queen of Heaven. Many people who come to church today came from families that had the superintendence over communal shrines and idols. If your mother was a priestess, and unknown to you, she went ahead to covenant you to idols, you are a blind priest or priestess if you have not undergone deliverance.

People who come from such families have received the anointing of satanic Levites without being conscious of the fact that an evil transfer had taken place. You need to pray yourself out of such demonic ordination. Failure to do so will make you to remain a satanic officer after the order of your ancestors.

MANKIND'S HISTORY

Let us briefly look into the history of mankind. After the flood, Noah's three sons, Shem, Ham and Japhet, came out of the ark. It is important to note that these three people populated the earth. Therefore, if you are on planet earth, you are either a descendant of Shem, Ham or Japhet. People began to multiply and Satan wanted to pollute the world. He found a willing instrument in the person of Semiramis, an extremely beautiful witch.

Semiramis was such a beautiful witch that she caused a stir wherever she went. Her beauty was such that if she went to the scene of a riot, the rioters momentarily suspend the riot just to admire her. She eventually became the Queen of Babylon by marrying Nimrod. The striking feature about the marriage is that Nimrod married his own mother. This sounds like a difficult statement. What actually happened was that Semiramis gave birth to Nimrod and married him. This is a satanic mystery.

Unfortunately, Satan used these two people to establish a satanic cult which has spread throughout the world. The fact that Nimrod was called the husband of his mother makes us to know there was a satanic marriage. That evil marriage led to the greatest problem in human history. History has proved that multitudes have continued to look up to Semiramis as their mother goddess.

The great religions of the world have been traced to Semiramis. In fact, church history has stated that the traditional confession in the global Catholic church was introduced by Semiramis and Nimrod. Someone came up with a confession, "I did that terrible evil. I cut off the head of a woman after raping her."

The other fellow says "Did you really do it?"

The culprit answered "Yes, I did."

Then he assured, "You are forgiven."

That fake religious practice was introduced and established by Semiramis and Nimrod.

Again the practice of celibacy among the priesthood was introduced by the duo. The priests of Semiramis and Nimrod do not marry. They generally take the vow of celibacy. Today, many religious priests have called themselves reverend fathers and brothers, mothers and sisters, telling the whole world that they will not get married after a religious order introduced by the two characters in question.

Interestingly, Nimrod was called by several names. A close look of these names will constitute an eye opener to Christians who seek to know the truth. The most important of these names can be found in the Bible. It is called Molloch.

Nimrod was a master warrior, a mighty hunter and a powerful male wizard. He was the originator of astrology. All the reports and write-ups in the newspapers concerning "What does your star say" are founded by Nimrod. It is on record that Nimrod was the founder and originator of black and white witchcraft. Babies were sacrificed in the worship and honour of Nimrod. When you read the scripture and come across instance of people who were fond of passing their children through fire what you are reading about centres on Nimrod. This was how most evils and most terrible religious practises started.

As Nimrod and Semiramis continued to perpetrate all these evils, one of the sons of Noah called Shem stood up one day and murdered Nimrod. The whole city was thrown into an uproar. However, Semiramis, Nimrod's mother and wife, took advantage of the situation. She was pregnant that time and soon gave birth to a child. She received satanic inspiration with which she claimed that she had reincarnated. That was how the satanic activities continued.

The worshippers of the Queen of Heaven were so inspired by the devil that they could kill babies without batting an eye. They would cut the heart of the baby open through the use of the sign of the cross. This practice continued until the image of Semiramis, carrying her demonic baby named Tammus spread all over the world.

Semiramis and the demonic baby called Tammus eventually became deified. They became the sun god, otherwise known as Baal. Any reader of

the Bible would observe that so much is said about the worship of Baal. Things continued until the Babylonians were scattered and travelled to various parts of the world. As these idol worshippers scattered, they took their religions with them everywhere they went. They propagated the worship of the 'divine' mother and the child. Thus, Semiramis became a prominent religious personality in all nations and communities of the world.

Go to any nation today and you will discover that the name of Semiramis has become a household name. Go to China and you will find Semiramis there. The Chinese call Semiramis Shing Mao. If you go to Scandinavia you will find the imprints of Semiramis there. She is called Dissa by the Scandinavians. If you go to some European countries you will discover that Semiramis is also worshiped there. In Europe, she is popularly referred to as the Madonna. The picture of the baby and mother is very popular in Europe. This popularity is why the Madonna and the child are both cherished and worshiped in Europe and America. The picture of the Madonna has even infiltrated into the world of music.

In some other places she is called the great goddess. Some people call her the 'goddess' mother. The Romans call the mother Venus and call the child Jupiter. The same personality is called Ashtharoth while the child is called Baal in the Bible. Some people call this popular goddess Artemis. Others called her Cybelle or Diana. What a name ! The Egyptians on the other hand call her Isis. It is crystal clear, therefore, that Semiramis, the Queen of Heaven, has become a global demonic heroine.

She, Semiramis now became a goddess with many names, such as

- Shing Moo (China)
- Baalti
- Disa (Scandinavia)
- The Madonna
- The Great goddess
- Mother Venus and Jupiter (Rome)
- The mother of mankind
- Ashtaroth (goddess) and Baal (child) (Judges 2:13 -Israel)
- Astarte

- The Mediatrix / Aphrodite (Greece)
- Devaki and Krishna (India)
- Isis and Horus (Egypt)
- Indran and Child
- Diana (Ephesus)
- Virgin Hertha (Germany)

As these idolatrous practices continued, people began to build monuments for the queen mother or great goddess. These monuments were built in many nations of the world. Thus, satan succeeded in establishing a global demonic religion before the birth of Christ. We need to understand the fact that these religious practices actually started before Christ came into the world. But what is known as the global catholic church started around 300A.D. According to history, when the leaders of the catholic church discovered that many people were worshipping Semiramis and her demonic child, they thought of a clever method of converting the people. Therefore, they adopted the worship of the goddess mother into the new religion. Thus, the satanic idea which centred around the worship of a goddess was brought into the 'catholic' system.

Historians tell us that the people adopted Semiramis and her child. Semiramis was called Mary the mother of God. It is clear that the historical catholic Mary is not the biblical Mary. The Mary which we come across in the Bible saw in herself a sinner who needed salvation. The real Mary was in the Upper Room when the disciples were being baptised with the Holy Ghost. She was hungry for God. I am sure that the real Mary must be so sad to observe that she has been idolised in the religious movement.

Satan has successfully deceived millions of people into worshipping Semiramis, the Queen of Heaven. Scholars have also observed that the worship of Semiramis has also been introduced into the Quoran. Those who refer to Mary as a virgin, today, are wrong. The Mary we come across in the Bible did not remain a virgin. After giving birth to Jesus she gave birth to other children. Scholars have stated that the catholic religion actually gave birth to Islam. Scholars have, therefore, told us that the catholic Mary and the Muslim Allah refer to the same personality.

Those who worship the Queen of Heaven have certain with which they can be identified. An understanding of these historical facts will make you to realise that the real place to go if you want to pull down satanic strongholds is the heavenlies. The fellow to address is the Queen of Heaven.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE QUEEN OF HEAVEN

What then are the characteristics of the worship of the Queen of Heaven? Let us go through them systematically.

Violence: Violence is the stock in trade of those who worship the queen of heaven.

A war-like spirit. Those who possess a war like spirit belong to the family of Semiramis, the Queen of Heaven. Show me any religion that is spread through so-called holy war and I will show you a religion that is founded on the pillar of the Queen of Heaven.

They are blood-thirsty: The Queen of Heaven is so addicted to drinking blood that she would cause human blood to flow by all means. She is the brain behind accidents, religious clashes and tragedies that have claimed human lives. The Queen of Heaven will shed blood even if it means provoking ethnic or religious violence. The Queen of Heaven also sucks blood by causing earthquakes, plane crashes and other calamities.

Those who worship the Queen of Heaven place no value on human life. They can take life as if there was nothing in it.

They possess holy places. Religious people see Rome as a holy place while others view Mecca, in Saudi Arabia, Jerusalem as another holy place.

They possess the heart and the mind of the anti-Christ. Any form of anti-Christ behaviour emanates from the quarters of the adherents of the Queen of Heaven. Show me those who have pathological hatred for true Christianity and I will show you religious people who are worshipping the Queen of Heaven. They try to grab the economy, the power and the government of any nation where they find themselves. They always try to hold on to the reins of power in all their ramifications. They can destroy life and split nations just

because they have a mandate from the Queen of Heaven, the Madonia who reigns in the spiritual realm.

They pour enchantment into the heavens. Some of them can chant some religious words two million times. By chanting words, they manipulate the destiny of millions of people. They are able to push people away from their places of destiny. If a religious person prays against you chanting some words 172 times, there is trouble. If somebody is praying against you in that wicked manner and you are playing around, you are endangering your life.

They are heavily involved in the occult, sexual lust, pornography, homosexuality, lesbianism, adultery and fornication. Do you know that the AIDS scourge that has destroyed millions of people all over the world is nothing but punishment from the Queen of Heaven? Those who while away their time attending parties and drinking are controlled by the Queen of Heaven

Murder. Those who are involved in murder draw their inspiration from the Queen of Heaven.

Mind blindness. The diseases of the mind are generally sponsored by the Queen of the Heaven. When she identifies a child that will benefit the family, she destroys his brain, and his academic career will be ruined.

Religious blindness. This is part of the activities of the Queen of Heaven. Someone has rightly wondered why the some religions have the rosary in common. This is part of religious blindness. This can be show us that these religions come from the same source.

The symbol of the moon is a very powerful religious motif. The practice of watching the appearance of the moon is an indication of direct involvement of the owner of the symbol, Semiramis, the Queen of Heaven. If you see a religious building with the sign of the moon on it, you should not be in doubt concerning the source of the religion. Anything that has to do with the moon in religion points us to the fact that it is an inspiration from the pit of hell.

Demonic stubbornness is part of the characters of the Queen of Heaven and her adherents. If you come across religious people who are stubborn and deviant, such people are behaving like the author of their religion.

Deceptive dreams and visions. Those who go about saying their God said this or that when they really heard nothing from God, are operating under the anointing of the Queen of Heaven. Those who have confusing dreams are followers of the Queen of Heaven.

Marriages dedicated to the Queen of Heaven. If you attend a particular church where the priests do not marry and you allow them to bless your marriage, you have laid the foundation of your wedding on the altar of the Queen of Heaven. When such priests commit the affairs of your home into the hands of the religious Mary, your marriage is handed over to the Queen of Heaven. If you did that in ignorance you must go through deliverance and snatch your marriage from the clutches of a counterfeit Mary.

Serious Christian historians and researchers have made us to know that most religious practices today came from the domain of the Queen of Heaven. We are made to know that before Islam came into existence there was a particular race in Arabia called Serbians. The Serbians originally worshipped the moon god.

According to historical records, the moon god being worshipped by them was called Allah. Hence, the crescent of the moon was adopted as the sign of Islam. It is clear that the moon has a lot to do with the Queen of Heaven.

We need to understand the deep revelation which scholars has brought from obscurity into light. The knowledge of these things will make you to know what to pray about and how to tackle this demonic personality. The Queen of Heaven is a fallen angel with the rank of principality. She also has the rank of goddess. Her presence can be seen in all cultures. How did this came about?

When the children of Israel landed in Egypt they went through untold hardship. They were raised up by God to dismantle the totality of the structure of the Queen of Heaven. However, they suffered when they began to worship what they were supposed to destroy.

The Queen of Heaven has her headquarters in the moon. This fact should make us to come to grips with the psalmist means when he prays. "The sun shall not smite thee by day neither the moon by night."

She is the goddess of the moon light and the goddess of violence and war.

Therefore any religion that believes in killing people emanates from her and sponsored by her.

PRODUCT NAMES

There is a very interesting passage in the Bible. A cursory reading will show us the link between the Queen of Heaven and violence:

Acts 19:32-35: Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused; and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together. ³³And they drew Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward. And Alexander beckoned with the hand, and would have made his defence unto the people.). ³⁴But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians. ³⁵And when the townclerk had appeased the people, he said, *Ya* men of Ephesus what man is there that knoweth not how that the city of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the great goddess Diana, and of the *image* which fell down from Jupiter?

The deity that was worshipped in the passage was called Diana of Ephesus. This name may appear innocent on the surface, but I can tell you that it is pregnant with meaning. Most of us buy products without thinking about the meaning of the name attached to them. For example, the Queen of Heaven has cleverly programmed her name into some popular brands of products. Unknown to most of us, we are buying them.

There is a product called Geisha. Do you know that Geisha is a Japanese word for prostitutes?

Another product is called Queen of the Coast. What a name! I am not going to describe the product, I will just talk about the implications of the name.

Another product is called Sprite. If you check your dictionary, you will discover that it is a name of a spirit.

Have you ever checked the meaning of Elf in your dictionary? It also refers to a spirit.

I believe that those who started these products knew what they were doing.

You will also find a soap called Artemis.

Another one is called Uriel, the name of a fallen angel. I think there are many demonic names on products which we use on daily basis. The Queen of Heaven has resorted to the use of such a method to put people under bondage.

REAL IDENTITY

The Queen of Heaven is a goddess of occultism. She is the mistress of slavery. She has her agents everywhere.

Something happened one day that we were holding a programme at the University of Lagos. We caught a 17 year old boy trying to use local demonic padlock to stop our meeting. We were surprised to find such a young boy constituting himself into a satanic agent. Of course, he failed. That is an example of the revival of the activities of the Queen of Heaven.

The Queen of Heaven is the goddess of material prosperity. If you want to get rich at all cost, you can go and consult fetish priests who are agents of the Queen of Heaven. A fetish priest may tell you to go somewhere under the bridge and you will find mad women there, sleep with three of them and you will become rich. Many people have entered into such a bondage and are living to regret their action.

Some of them have been told that the money they will get will be more than they ever dreamt about but that they will only live for five years. Some people have accepted such offers. That is why we often come across a poor man who suddenly becomes a multi-millionaire and the person dies a few years later. That is the operation of the Queen of Heaven.

The Queen of Heaven is also in control of the waters. The book of Revelation tells us that she sits upon many waters. If you are a student of Geography, you would have read that the tide of the sea is controlled by the moon.

The Queen of the Heaven controls the oceans, the seas, the rivers, the

streams and the springs. You can pray God to open your eyes to behold the true picture of the Queen of Heaven.

When God opens your eyes, what you will see is a queen in a black hood with a snake on her legs and a satanic baby on her hands. The baby has a halo on his head. If you make obeisance to such a personality saying, 'Hail Mary', you are worshipping a demon.

The Queen of Heaven will push a father to a fetish priest to procure a charm that will prevent his daughter from getting pregnant prematurely. The Queen of heaven will supply the charm and as soon as that is done the same Queen of Heaven will kill the father, now putting the poor girl in jeopardy. By the time the girl gets married she would not be pregnant. She will remain in that condition because she wouldn't know that her father ever consulted a fetish priest. She may remain in bondage perpetually. That is why you come across a 40 year old lady who cannot see her monthly period because the Queen of Heaven has put it on hold.

Do you know that the Queen of Heaven is the one who controls all Egyptian religions? Moses had to deal with them one by one. He fought against the power behind River Nile and dealt with flies, frogs and lice.

The Queen of Heaven does not forgive. Once she is offended, she unleashes terror and wickedness on her victims.

She has lots of daughters who are paragons of beauty. They are the most beautiful girls and her sons are the most handsome among the sons of men.

Other characteristics of the queen of heaven are listed below:

- She is a queen in a black hood, with a snake on her legs.
- She is very subtle and dangerously kind to women.
- She is in control of ancient Egypt religions.
- She is in a serious league with the devil.
- She does not forgive, goes only to come back in double rage.
- Her daughters are the most beautiful on earth and her sons very handsome. And sometimes they are ugly.
- Her favourite daughters and sons come home at 39 (golden age) Some

may come home before that time if they have been assaulted by higher forces.

- Her daughters have a stint of royalty on them, whether born of paupers or rich parents. Very powerful, ruthless, and fashionable.
- Whether black or fair in complexion, they look alike - a spiritual form of siamese twins, though from different background.
- You cannot normally be initiated or recruited as an adult Into her web -it is an inborn cult from the womb.
- Industrious daughters are recycled like a ,paper from one generation to another e.g. Cleopatra, Nerfertiti (Egyptian Queen).
- Daughters are extremely intelligent, achievers, love challenges, hate men with passion, love children, a star amongst the parent's children (physical).
- They hardly go through the four walls of the university and if they do, it is with torture.
- It is a web of hierarchy - women, young and old. Highly disciplined and hard working. Witch – Mermaid – Queen Mother.
 - * A progressive growth
 - * A stage may take 20 years to attain or 5 months
 - * Mostly virgin
- As a daughter, you may marry mortal men or be a single mother, but you must have a child.
- The woman's womb is an altar to her.
- The daughter's husband may be rich, powerful or nonentity, it doesn't matter but she will be known.
- Favourite animals are: cats, peacocks, tiger, lion, spider, snake, unicorn, dragon.
- Dog is used to attack or afflict an errant daughter, that is, she goes into prostitution to defile herself and she is brought down the ladder or relegated.
- A daughter may be conscious of her powers or not, but she is still ruthless proud and quiet.
- Doves and Eagles are abominable to them.

- Every daughter has a spirit husband. Mostly to run errand for her, to discipline stubborn demons attached to her (spirit husbands may be gods or fallen angels).
- As a daughter you must speak and understand the animal and vegetable languages, it is a must.
- For special daughters, no man should disvirgin you, the queen does it herself (to establish a strong bondage).
- Every daughter has a crystal ball. It may be worn as a wristwatch, a head-band, an engraved into the nails lips teeth, palm on hand, or better still a woman's private part.
- As she grows higher in hierarchy she wears less jewellery, she rather adorn her tigers, leopards with them (lion eats up jewellery).
- By the time she is a queen, she has her peacock (a reward from the queen of heaven).
- A queen mother has a unicorn and an altar raised in her honour for worship, that is a saint, allowed to visit the pyramid once a year to partake in ascension celebration, that is, celebration of 'white candles'.
- Also a life time dance in the blue flame to make her immortal (re-cycle).
- They sing a lot and pray (chanting) a lot.
- Queen and queen-mother don't wear make-up while mermaids wear a lot of make-up even while sleeping.
- Most of her daughters die around 30 years. There was the story a few years ago of how a celebrated British princess died in a ghastly motor accident.

The daughters of the Queen of Heaven are generally intelligent, popular and successful. Most of them are very fashionable. If you are a Christian and you are running after fashion you may soon find yourself in the camp of the Queen of Heaven.

It grieves my heart to observe that a lot of people in our environment have been caged by the power of the Queen of Heaven. She has continued to carry out her wicked activities while her victims have continued to revel in ignorance. It is unfortunate that many people do not know how to pray

against the activities of the Queen of Heaven. She has continued to sit upon many waters and control the affairs of men and women. She has therefore, caused all kinds of trouble all over the world.

Whenever you hear reports concerning mass suicide, ritual killing, police brutality, religious crisis, multiple accidents, earthquake and destructive fire outbreaks, you are hearing reports concerning the activities of the Queen of Heaven.

If you walk through a street and you see corpses all over the place you are beholding the ministry of the Queen of Heaven. Whenever you come across a man or woman who has some funny interests in the moon you have come across somebody who is under the spell of the Queen of Heaven.

If you see someone chanting incantations to the moon, such a person is dealing with the Queen of Heaven. Most people who put on a particular colour of flowing gown or robes are agents of the queen of heaven. She and her aides operate in the spiritual realm from where they observe us as insignificant little ants. Whenever they choose to be wicked I they can kill anyone just the way we kill ants. Jesus knew how vulnerable we were, that was why he came man to rescue us.

DEVOTEES

If you come across anyone who finds it difficult to live a life free from immorality such a person is a slave of the Queen of Heaven. If you come across a lady who puts on beads, you have come across someone who is drawing inspiration from the Queen of Heaven. She is the distributor of beads. She gave a type of beads to the Roman Catholics. She gave another type to the Muslims. She gave another type to women who are fond of putting on beads. Any lady who has ever put on beads should lay hand on her buttock and set it free from the influence of the Queen of Heaven.

How else can we know those who have made themselves devotees of the Queen of Heaven. You know them when you come across fellows who are always chanting incantations.

The Queen of Heaven seems to have polarised many nations across

religious lines. That is why there have been religious conflicts in many nations. Some religious groups have tried to impose their religion on other citizens in various countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

We have seen many religious clashes which have led to the loss of hundreds of thousands of lives. Of course, the Queen of Heaven is the architect of all these ethnic and religious clashes.

We may hold peaceful rallies, or round table discussions by government to quell riots or clashes. However, such efforts will not get us any anywhere. The only solution lies in Christian believers rising up and attacking the Queen of Heaven in the spiritual realm. Then her hold on nations will be weakened. She will no longer control the politics and the economies of nations. God will reign supreme and she and her followers will be disgraced, defeated and humiliated.

You must rise up like a soldier of Christ and attack the source of the power of the sons and daughters of the Queen of Heaven. If you pray decisive and powerful prayer points, you will put an end to the oppression, intimidation, domination, wickedness and injustice of the Queen of Heaven. Children of God will walk shoulder high and declare the word of God with boldness. Religious treat and manipulation will become a thing of the past. The place to attack is the domain of the Queen of Heaven. We must weaken her communication system, her instrumentality and her personnel. That is how to put her and her followers where they belong - under our feet. I declare that God shall put the devil under our feet shortly.

SPIRITUAL OPTION

The problem in this and other nations cannot be settled with guns. Neither is it going to be settled through politics. The only solution lies in pulling down the stronghold of the Queen of Heaven. When I boarded an aircraft, some time ago, I saw a strange prophet. He was spotting a Rastafarian hair style, besides the fact that he had no shoes on.

We were travelling to the city of Abuja. By the time the aircraft taxied to a halt. I was surprised to discover that the emissaries of the powers that be

came with a big car to fetch this consultant prophet to a man in government. Of course, by the time death came calling the man in government, the prophet could not help.

Years later, I came across the same prophet. He was still spotting dread looks and walking bare-footed. The only difference that time was that he was brandishing a cellular telephone. No doubt, he was an agent of the Queen of Heaven. I was surprised when he told me that he had been given a spiritual assignment which centred on collecting sand from every state capital in Nigeria. That assignment must have come from no other person than the Queen of Heaven.

If you make a mistake of practising astrology, you are following Nimrod, its originator. If you place your life in the hands of Nimrod he will manipulate it. All those who read 'what your star says' are placing themselves under a curse.

So far you might have discovered that at one time or the other you placed your life under the influence of the Queen of Heaven. Even if you have not done so voluntarily, some of the agents of the Queen of Heaven would have secretly manipulated your destiny. You must therefore take necessary steps to cancel all the negative influences which the Queen of Heaven ever had over your life.

STEPS TO VICTORY

You may ask, What steps can I take to deal with and prevail over all overt and covert activities of the Queen of Heaven in my life, family, community and nation? Here are the steps.

Repentance-We must individually come to God in repentance for ourselves, individually, and on account of the atrocities and sins committed by our forefathers.

We must renounce the satanic operations of the Queen of Heaven. We must specifically deal with the rituals and dedications, the covenants, the sacrifices, the pilgrimages to sacred lands, the ceremonies and enchantments, the religious vows and all forms of practices associated with the worship of

the Queen of Heaven.

Do you know that membership in lodges and occult societies is controlled by the Queen of Heaven? She is the princess of these occult groups.

We must undergo deliverance without relaxation.

We must carry out communal deliverance otherwise known as territorial deliverance. You must also carry out national deliverance if you want to experience total freedom from the power and influence of the Queen of Heaven.

We have to engage in aggressive and provocative spiritual warfare by binding the strong woman behind what is going on around you.

We must prayerfully deal with her habitation. We must destroy her altar. Let me say this here: If you ever had an altar prior to your conversion, you must have experienced demonic traffic right in your living room.

Something must be done to cancel the effect of such evil traffic upon your life. You must deal with temple lodges, evil places of worship, satanic crossroads, sacred places, sacred trees, evil forests, sacred rivers, pubs and bars and other demonic places.

Finally, we must use our weapon of prayer to dismantle the power of the Queen of Heaven. Nothing must be spared. The fight against the Queen of Heaven must continue until the totality of her power and weaponry are desecrated and set ablaze. We must take warfare prayer points until her habitation is made desolate, her agents defeated and her influence destroyed. You must displace and dislodge her.

Her weapon of destruction must be completely destroyed. You must make use of the weapon of prayer until her influence is completely removed from your life and nation.

Let me say a word concerning taking her up in spiritual warfare. Don't start this war until you are sure of yourself. If you are not ready to go through all that it takes to defeat her, don't start. Spiritual warfare against her is not the prayer of confession of personal sins. It even goes beyond the realm of prayer of deliverance. It is prayer that is meant for those who know what they are

doing. You cannot handle this kind of prayer in a gentle man's style. You are attacking forces operating from the moon. You are fighting against forces that have been in operation since the time of Noah.

I was not surprised the day a 14-year-old demonic boy made a startling confession after giving his life to Christ. He gave us details of what happened during the time of Noah. He told us that he was among a gang of five powerful demonic agents sent to the world. By the time he was making his confession he had destroyed the life of his parents. We told him to renounce the covenant he had made with the devil. He simply said: "I am sorry, I can't. How would I have the power to renounce such a top level covenant made with the devil himself. Pray for me to receive the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Then, I will be empowered to renounce the covenant." He was just a 14-year-old boy.

BATTLE OF THE WARRIORS

We must take action individually and corporately. We must address personal, territorial and national bondage. We cannot afford to fold our hands. The days are indeed evil. To go into a spiritual slumber is to fall into the trap of evil powers operating in the moon. I am extremely sorry for sisters whose husbands are having immoral affairs with daughters of the Queen of Heaven. Such sisters must fight serious battles. They must engage in serious warfare to set their husbands free. Such a husband will see nothing good in their lives because they have tested the evil juice which emanated from the palace of the Queen of Heaven.

You must gird you loins if you want to defeat the Queen of Heaven and her agents. The Queen of Heaven is no soft meat. She is satan's second in command. She is the power that fuels the tank of the devil. She has so confused the whole world that it will take aggressive prayer to defeat her. The practice in some African tribes is to take new-born babies to the river immediately they are born and dedicate them to the river. Some others are handed over to the earth. In these ways they are dedicated to the Queen of Heaven.

The issue of the Queen of Heaven is so serious that no unbeliever can be

free from her influence. You must give your life to Christ if you want to experience freedom from her influence and domination. The new birth is the only thing that will put you on the proper platform which will enable you to exercise power over the Queen of Heaven and all her agents.

Close this book for a while and take these words to the Lord in prayer: father, in the name of Jesus, I come before you today. Come into my life. Wash me in the blood of Jesus. Set me free from sin and make me a child of God. I promise to turn my back to satan and the world and follow Jesus all the way. I believe that you have answered my prayer, in Jesus' name I pray.

Have you really prayed that short prayer? Then you are ready for warfare. Pray the following prayer points violently:

PRAYER POINTS

1. Any altar of the queen of heaven fashioned against my life, be dismantled, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every decree of the Queen of Heaven on my life die, in the name of Jesus.
3. Anything programmed into the heavenlies against me by the Queen of Heaven I pull you down, in the name of Jesus.
4. Any power killing animals for my sake die with the animal, in the name of Jesus.
5. Any power facing the sun against me, die, in the name of Jesus.
6. You prison of the Queen of Heaven, release me by fire, in the name of Jesus.
7. Anything planted in my life by the Queen of Heaven, come out now, in the name of Jesus.
8. Every altar raised in my life to the Queen of Heaven, die, in the name of Jesus.
9. I release my marriage from the hands of the Queen of Heaven, in the name of Jesus.
10. Every dedication to the Queen of Heaven, break, in the name of Jesus.

11. Every activity of the Queen of Heaven on churches and mosques, we pull you down, in the name of Jesus.
12. Let this country become the graveyard of the bondwoman, in the name of Jesus.
13. Every anointing of the Queen of Heaven upon my life, jump out now, in the name of Jesus.
14. We prophesy to the prison of the Queen of Heaven to open, in the name of Jesus.
15. Let every occultic altar raised against me be dismantled, in the name of Jesus.
16. Let the voice of the blood of Jesus cancel all the satanic decrees in the heavenlies, in the name of Jesus.
17. Let the blood of Jesus wipe off the decrees of the sorceries, in the name of Jesus.
18. I overthrow anything programmed into the heavenlies against me, in the name of Jesus.
19. Every power facing the east against me, die, in the name of Jesus.
20. Every midnight enchantment against me, die, in the name of Jesus.
21. You heavens, refuse to obey the instructions of my enemies, in the name of Jesus.
22. Whatever sacrifice has been used to gain access to my life, I dismantle it, in the name of Jesus.
23. I come with the key of David and command locked doors to open, in the name of Jesus.
24. You queen of heaven, I dethrone you from my affairs by fire, in the name of Jesus.
25. Queen of Nigeria come down and sit on the dust, no more throne for you, in the name of Jesus.
26. We sack your priesthood, in the name of Jesus.
27. We unmask the queen of heaven, in the name of Jesus.
28. We bring judgement against her, in the name of Jesus.
29. We shackle her and throw her out, in the name of Jesus.

30. I cancel your covenant with death and your arrangement with death over my life, in the name of Jesus.
31. I take away the strength of the enchantments, in the name of Jesus.
32. We drain their priesthood off their anointing, in the name of Jesus.
33. I receive power to govern my environment for Jesus, in the name of Jesus.
34. Every satan negotiation fashioned against my life, die, in the name of Jesus.
35. Every power facing the sun against me, die, in the name of Jesus.
36. I overthrow the queen of heaven from the throne I have given to her, in the name of Jesus.
37. Every prison of the queen of heaven, open and release your prisoners, in the name of Jesus.
38. Every deposit of the queen of heaven and queen of the coast in my life, come out by fire, in the name of Jesus.
39. Every trace of the queen of heaven in me, come out by fire, in the name of Jesus.
40. Every stronghold of the enemy in my life, I pull you down, in the name of Jesus.
41. Deliver us, O Lord, from the operation of the queen of heaven.
42. Every manifestation of the queen of heaven in our various cultures, die, in the name of Jesus.
43. I recover my blood from your altar, in the name of Jesus.
44. Every covenant with the legion of Mary, break, in the name of Jesus.
45. I release my life from every libation to queen of heaven, in the name of Jesus.
46. I release my marriage from the hands of the queen of heaven, in the name of Jesus.
47. I pull down every plantation of the moon goddess, in the name of Jesus.
48. Every unconscious covenant with water spirits, break, in the name of Jesus.
49. Every anointing that came upon my life from the queen of heaven, I

renounce it, in the name of Jesus.

50. Every evil anointing interfering with the call of God over my life, I renounce you, in the name of Jesus.
51. I reject the Invisible chains of the queen of heaven, in the name of Jesus.
52. I renounce the influence of the Queen of Heaven over my money, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER NINE

SMITE THE ENEMY AND HE WILL FLEE

I am going to share an open secret with you in this chapter. If you smite the enemy, he will flee. Failure to smite the enemy will make him to continue to harass you. The day you rise up as a warrior, the devil will be thrown into panic and flee. You will always defeat, the enemy if you learn the secret of sending hot blows on his head.

All believers are in constant spiritual warfare with the powers of darkness. Even If you are not a Christian, you are already involved in the conflict with the forces of darkness. The difference is that the Christian believer is assured of victory because Jesus the Captain of our salvation has already won the victory. God is a man of war and He is a God of victory.

I want you to have a foretaste of what God is about to do in your life through this chapter. Therefore, I want you to pray the following prayer points with every spiritual strength in you. You cannot pray these seven powerful prayer points fervently and remain the same. By the time you are through with the prayer points you will surely have a testimony.

1. Oh Lord, let my words smite the enemies today.
2. Oh Lord, promote me to fight in the heavenlies today.
3. Every champion of evil in my life, be disgraced, in the name of Jesus.
4. Let the sun, the moon and the stars fight against every witchcraft bird working against me, in the name of Jesus.
5. O sword of the Lord, don't return to your sheath until you have slain my Goliath.
6. Every satanic investment in my life, be shaken out by fire, in the name of Jesus.
7. Every divination that makes me to sleep at the wrong time, be

dismantled by fire, in the name of Jesus.

One of the most glorious passages in the Scripture can be found in the book of Deuteronomy. The passage gives us words you can declare boldly in the face of all kinds of satanic opposition and attacks.

Deut. 28:7: The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

The Bible makes it very clear that we have a mandate to war against the enemy, smite him and make him to flee. The Lord has promised to cause your enemies to be smitten. As soon as the enemies are smitten, they will flee.

We are living in an era in which the battle is raging. If you fail to smite the enemy, you may end up being smitten. Defensive warfare won't suffice in these last days. You must be on the offensive. God expects you to be the first person who will hit the enemy. Once you are able to give the enemy the first blow, he will flee from you.

The Bible teaches us that right from the time of John the Baptist the kingdom of God suffereth violence and violent taketh it by force. The end time warfare cannot be won through begging or cajoling the enemy.

Enough of what the enemy had done in your life. Today, I want you to declare that you will no longer accept what the enemy is offering you. Enough is enough. You must smite the enemy and make him flee from you. Victory is yours as long as you continue to smite the enemy.

STEPS TO TAKE TO MAKE THE ENEMY TO FLEE

You may ask: "Under what situation does the enemy flee? What step must I take in order to make the enemy to flee before my face?"

The enemy will flee when your weapons are superior. When two powers are fighting, The one whose weapon is superior will make the opponent to flee.

I came across two children of the devil who were trying to threaten themselves with the power of darkness which they possessed. Incidentally, two of them were public transport drivers. The first driver charged: "I'm going to slap you with my special ring. The moment my hand lands on your face you will continue to urinate on yourself until you die."

The second driver whom he was threatening equally came up with his own threat: "That's a very small charm, mine is stronger and more deadly. I have a special horse whip which has been soaked in terrible charms. Once I flog you with it you will be afflicted with leprosy and madness instantly."

The two of them looked at themselves for a while and hissed. They began to abuse each other. They decided not to do anything.

To be sure, children of the devil are intelligent enough to recognise the presence of superior powers. However, believers are not supposed to run away from evil powers. I do not expect any believer to vacate a house simply because witches are living there.

The enemy flees when your strength is superior. If two people are fighting and the first fellow comes against his opponent with a slap that is too light to be felt he wouldn't make impact. However, if the second fellow gives the first man a deadly slap only for the one who is smitten to slump as if there is no strength in him, the weaker man will change his mind about fighting.

The enemy flees when the source of your power is superior. The enemy is always quick to recognise the superiority of your power. He knows when there are more heavenly powers at your disposal than one which he has.

However, if you have less than that the enemy is coming against you with, you have already lost the battle. If all the forces of heaven are behind you, you will surely overcome all the forces of the enemy. You will realise that stubborn pursuers are already defeated even before the battle begins as a result of the fact that the heavenly resources which you have at your disposal, are more in number and greater in strength than what the enemy has. Therefore, you have nothing to worry about.

The enemy flees when the awareness of your own superiority dawns on him. The enemy will continue to attack you as long as he knows that you are

inferior when his ability is compared with yours. However, he will take to his heels immediately the fact of your superiority dawns on him.

The enemy flees when the awareness of superiority of the one inside of you dawns on him. Many of us do not know who we are and what we possess. Many of us are yet to understand what it means to be filled with the Holy Spirit. The devil tries his best to keep us under ignorance. He knows that an ignorant man will always remain a victim of his (enemy's) attacks. This is a very clever trick which the enemy has continued to use in order to keep men and women under bondage.

The enemy flees when you capture or destroy his champion. Are you ready to smite the enemy?

The enemy flees when you strike harder than he does. If the enemy tries to smite you and you hit him back harder than he did, he will have no option than to flee.

The enemy flee when your knowledge of warfare is superior to his own.

The enemy flees when he knows that are not afraid of death. The worst thing that the enemy can do is to kill. The moment he knows that you are not threatened by the fear of death he will pack his baggage and leave. Then he knows that you are not afraid of his strongest weapon, he will be forced to flee from you.

The enemy flees when he is completely dismayed. The Bible says the enemy shall come against you in one way and flee in seven ways. How can an enemy come one way and flee seven ways? Such a frantic action is an evidence of the fact that the enemy is terribly afraid of you.

The enemy flees when you cut off the source of his supply of power.

The enemy flees when the dread or the fear and terror of you falls upon him.

Here is a very powerful prayer point.

Let the dread of me fall upon my enemy, in the name of Jesus.

THE BATTLE

The Bible has called us into battle. We are commanded to fight the good fight of faith. We must set all the captives free. We must recover what the devil has stolen. We must destroy all the satanic embargoes which have been placed upon the lives of men and women.

Violence is the only language which the devil understands. You must enforce all the divine orders issued by God. We are living in an age when we must experience the restitution or the restoration of all things which have been declared concerning our glorious destiny in Christ.

These days, evil powers are becoming increasingly dangerous.

A brother was holding a night vigil not knowing that he was going to have one of the most unforgettable experiences of his life. He started his prayer programme around 12midnight looking forward to the completion of the night vigil. All of a sudden, he opened his eyes around 1.00 in the night and found a monkey in his room. He was shocked as all the doors of his room were locked. It was naturally impossible for a monkey to enter the room at that hour of the night. He quickly realised that a demonic animal had been sent against him as he was already in a violent prayer mood. He spoke to the monkey: "You better identify yourself. Are you an animal or a demonic messenger?"

The monkey did not respond.

The brother went on: "I order you to stand at attention, in the name of Jesus."

The monkey was transfixed to a spot. The brother bent down and brought out a cutlass from underneath his bed. The monkey appeared frightened. To the amazement of the brother, the monkey spoke in Yoruba language, saying "*E ma pa mi*" (don't kill me). The brother discountenanced what the monkey was saying. He descended on it with several blows. The monkey was macheted to death within a few minutes. The brother was shocked when he woke up the next morning. He learnt that five of his best friends died that same night. Five of them entered into the monkey in order to attack the

brother but they met their waterloo and died. Would anyone have suspected those friends?

A lot of terrible things are happening in this modern day. Modernity seems to have made demonic powers to put on fresh gown of wickedness.

A young man battled with a strange problem in far away England. He had no inclination whatsoever that his problem could be traced to an "innocent" lady who was residing In Nigeria. What was the man's problem? He was impotent.

As the man continued to grapple with his strange problem in England, there was equally a very strong lady who came up to tell one of our ministers, "Pastor, I need deliverance." She appeared so harmless that nobody thought she had any serious need for deliverance. As the deliverance schedule of that particular week got underway, the lady quietly sat, waiting for instruction along with other deliverance candidates.

As the programme continued, the lady came up with a very strange confession. "There is a young Nigeria man in England who is impotent. I'm responsible for using evil powers to capture his manhood. That is why he has remained impotent."

The minister queried her. "How did you do it? What steps must you take in order to make the impotent man to regain his potency?"

The lady's response was too simple to be believed. She assured the deliverance minister that she would take them into a bush. They followed her to the place and she dug out a male organ that was dipping with fresh blood. She showed the ministers and said: "Here is where I buried it. That is why the man is battling with the problem of impotence in England."

It was indeed surprising, but real, that the impotent man regained his potency in England immediately the lady who was formerly possessed dug out the organ from the ground. How was she loaded with demonic power that she was able to bury the real male organ while the man who was resident in England was going about with a fake male organ?

Demonic powers have actually become more wicked than ever before.

A Nigerian travelled to Southern African and decided to marry a Botswanian lady. He decided to bring the lady to Nigeria. The man never knew what he had gotten into until he spent the first night with his newly-married foreign wife in Nigeria. He woke up around 12midnight to discover that his wife was placing her legs on the wall. He tried to wake her up but he discovered that the lady could not respond. There was no trace of life in her. However, when he placed his ear towards her chest he discovered that she was still breathing. He made desperate effort to wake her up.

When all efforts proved abortive, he decided to cut her with a knife. He did. However, he was shocked when he discovered that there was no trace of blood in the body of his wife. It dawned on him that he was in real trouble.

At that point he made up his mind that he was going to seek for help as soon as he woke up the next day. To his amazement his wife woke up around 3:00am. By the time he examined where he had cut her with the knife, there was no sign, rather the man discovered that there was a very deep gash on his own hand, exactly the same spot where he had cut her. To make matters worse, the man began to bleed profusely.

That is an example of how far demonic powers have gone in their mission of wickedness.

YOUR WEAPONS

The Bible says,

Jeremiah 50:25: The LORD hath opened his armoury, and hath brought forth the weapons of his indignation: for this *is* the work of the Lord GOD of hosts in the land of the Chaldeans.

This passage shows us that God has an armoury which He has opened for our use in these last days. God has released new weapons since the world began. The devil himself is in for lots of surprises. God expects us to pick up the weapons and use them against the devil. We should demonstrate the efficacy of these weapons in such a manner as to make the devil to regret ever attempting rebellion against God.

God has lots of terrible weapons in his armoury. These weapons are meant for the end-time battles.

There are many types of weapons as far as physical warfare is concerned. A knife is a weapon while an arrow is also a weapon. Cutlasses, local dane guns and axes are also weapons. Someone may come up with a pistol; it is also a weapon. Another person may bring an automatic riffle. All these are weapons of physical warfare. Somebody who uses a machine gun is also making use of a weapon, but each of these weapons is superior to the other.

A sister had a strange dream. Somebody came to attack her with guns, cutlasses, bombs and all kinds of deadly weapons while all she had was a tiny broom stick, a rather weak and inadequate weapon, which could not match the fire power of her enemies.

There are very many powerful weapons in God's armoury. These weapons are not created for decorative purposes. They are meant to be used for warfare.

DAVID AND GOLIATH'S CASE

Have you read the story of David and Goliath? There are lots of lessons to be learnt from that battle. The first lesson you can learn from the story is that David refused to use Saul's bogus armour. David was polite enough to try it but he quickly maintained that he was not used to fighting a battle with borrowed armour.

You must learn a lesson from David's life by learning how to choose a weapon that is suitable for your own personal warfare. You cannot use the same weapon for different battles. You must therefore learn how to use an appropriate weapon for the particular battle which you are fighting. Spiritual weapons are not the same; they differ one from another.

Christians who want to win the battles of life must study various kinds of weapons and know how to make use of the weapons that is used for the specific battle which they are engaged in. To be victorious in battle, Christians must learn how to use the different kinds of weapons which are deposited in God's armoury.

The second lesson we can learn is that David made up his mind that he was going to make use of his own kind of weapon, something he had tried before: faith in God.

It is unfortunate, however, that a lot of Christians have continued to demonstrate ignorance concerning the types of weapons which are available for us to use. God has given us more than one method and, of course, more than one weapon to use to conquer the forces of darkness. Ability to distinguish and utilise all kinds of weapons will make you a victor.

A very stubborn case was handled by some of our ministers at the inception of the ministry. We used the weapons of binding and loosening, the blood of Jesus, fall down and die, be roasted etc, all to no avail. One of the ministers who was dealing with the case suddenly received a word from the Lord and began to shout: "The sword of the Lord, the sword of the Lord, the sword of the Lord, the sword of the Lord." Hell was literally let loose. The girl began to demonstrate violently as if we had touched an area which triggered violent reactions.

The girl was thirteen years old, yet the spirit that possessed her came from Rome. Then she began to speak fluent Latin as if she was born and bred in Italy. All the other weapons which we used were ineffective. The only thing that worked was the weapon of the sword of the Lord. She had no immunity against the sword of fire. Therefore, if you use only one type of weapon, it may not work. You must learn how to use different weapons for different battles.

Three brothers were living together in the same room. They had a strange experience every night. A particular witchcraft bird cried every night. The three brothers had not known the Lord at that time. So, they didn't know how to face life's battles. Their response was both funny and unreasonable. Whenever the evil bird began to cry, the first man would begin to read the book of Psalms. The second man would call the name of angel Michael several times. The third man had a different approach. He would begin to mimic the bird, making exactly the same sound as the bird was making. Their efforts gave them no result. They couldn't succeed until they became children of God and learnt the weapon of warfare.

In the same vein, you may not know the secrets of victory in spiritual warfare until you master the art of using spiritual weapons.

WINING LIFE'S BATTLES

The level of spiritual warfare today demands that we begin to use new methods and new weapons. If you ask me, I would tell you that there is vacancy in heaven for 'mad' prophets as powers of darkness have gone mad in their approach to spiritual warfare.

God is looking for people who can pray boldly and apply all kinds of spirit-inspired methods to fight the battle that is raging in these end times. If God opens your eyes and you are brought face to face with enemies that bite without leaving a remnant, you will have no option than to get mad.

A sister had a need for a personal night vigil. As the sister was observing her prayer vigil, she was not sure if her prayer was going through. She felt unusually tired that night. She prayed with the residue of the strength left in her.

Unknown to her, however, a group of three wicked demonic agents were billed to carry out an assignment within her vicinity at about the same time. A particular man had offended some wicked powers. Three satanic emissaries were charged with the responsibility of pouring some objects on the man's body. According to the plan, as soon as the object was poured on the victim's body, he would develop some rashes and die in the process. The time for the operation was fixed for 1:00am in the night. Failure to carry out that assignment must lead to terrible consequences for the emissaries.

As they came very close to the vicinity of the sister's house, she began to pray: "In the name of Jesus, by the power in the blood of Jesus, the blood of Jesus." That was how the three demonic emissaries were frozen to the same spot. The prayer had a remote control over them. They couldn't move, and they remained in that position from 12.30am when they arrived till past 1.00am. Somehow, two of the emissaries managed to crawl away from the spot but the man who was carrying the evil poison could not move an inch. He remained transfixed on a spot until the charm he was carrying killed him.

As this situation was going on, the sister continued in her prayer as if nothing had happened. She did not know that her prayer had killed the satanic agents.

You need a measure of holy madness to deal with stubborn enemies. Conventional prayer method may not grant you victory. You need to go an extra mile in your prayer efforts. To succeed you must put in extra efforts. A lot of things will remain unchanged until you decide to take unusual steps and become violently angry with the devil.

For example, it may appear when you decide to pray from 12midnight till 5:00.a.m. some people may opine that you are going too far. You must not loose the sight of the fact that problems cannot be solved on the same level of awareness that created them. You must learn how to go into strategic prayer warfare.

You can now see that it pays to employ the weapon of spiritual violence against The enemy. There are many weapons which God has made available for you to use in your fight with the enemy.

Let us run through the weapons:

The name of Jesus. The Bible says, "The name of the Lord is a strong tower and the righteous runneth into it and he is safe."

The blood of Jesus. The Bible says, "They overcame him by the blood of Jesus and by the word of their testimony."

Praise. The Bible says that God inhabits the praises of His people. We are also told that God is glorious in holiness and fearful in praise, doing wonders.

The word of God. We are told that the word of God is sharper than any two-edged sword. We are made to know that the word of God can be likened to a hammer and a sword, making it capable of breaking the strongest rock into pieces.

The fire of God. We are told that our God is a consuming fire.

Testimonies. We overcome the devil through our testimonies.

These weapons are known by almost everyone who has been in the faith for some time. However, there are some weapons which many of us are yet to learn how to make use of.

THE UNUSUAL WEAPONS

There are certain things which you can release on your enemy through prayer and aggressive confession as well as by violent proclamation and the enemy will bow.

Confusion. The incident of the tower of Babel is a good example.

Whirlwind. God uses the whirlwind of God to begin to scatter your enemies.

Hot fire of God.

Earthquakes. God uses the weapon of earthquakes to set Paul and Silas free from the prison.

Self-destruction. You can command the enemies to begin to destroy themselves.

Worms

Lightening and thunder

Bread and butter of affliction

Darkness

Wilderness experience

Burning Hailstones

Shame

Hailstones and storms

Destructive flood

Anguish and fear

Destruction Continuous plagues

Terrifying noises

Fear of day and night

Arrow

Scatterings

Chains and fetters of iron

Angelic warfare

Therefore, you can use the afore-mentioned methods to carry out warfare against the enemy. You can command hail-stones to fall on your enemy. You can command sudden burial after the order of Dothan, Korah, Abiram. You can also command the withering of the enemy's hands. You can turn all these weapons to prayer points against the enemy.

David used various types of methods in all his battles. For example, when he came up against Goliath, he was armed with five stones because he was conscious of the fact that one stone or one method might not grant him victory. He knew that by the time he would have used five stones he would come up with a testimony of victory. However, the Holy Spirit did not allow him to use up to the five stones. One stone saw Goliath falling flat on his face.

WEAPONS OF RESOUNDING VICTORY

Let us go into certain weapons of indignation which many of us are not really aware of. They are weapons of divine anger. I want you to close your eyes and pray for yourself at this point:

Oh Lord open my understanding now, in the name of Jesus.

The weapons that we are about looking at may appear somewhat strange to those who are not yet skilled in the art of spiritual warfare. However, these weapons have been utilised successfully by seasoned spiritual warfare experts. You must therefore keep a very open mind as you examine these

strange or unusual weapons.

Divine carpenters. The Bible gives us an insight concerning who divine carpenters are in Zechariah :18-21,

Zech. 1:18-21: Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and behold four horns. ¹⁹And I said unto the angel that talked with me, What *be* these? And he answered me, These *are* the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem. ²⁰And the LORD shewed me four carpenters. ²¹Then said I, What come these to do? And he spake, saying, These *are* the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: but these are come to fray them, to cast out the horns of the Gentiles which lifted up *their* horn over the land of Judah to scatter it.

These divine carpenters are, indeed, strange. They have the power to threaten the enemy's wicked horns and to destroy the powers that scatter.

These four wicked horns had scattered the whole of the land of Israel. The Lord therefore raised up some divine carpenters to destroy them.

How then can you make us of these divine carpenters?

You can send the divine carpenters against angry animals that may try to attack you in your dream. You can attack all evil animals with the divine carpenters.

When evil powers are meditating against you, you can pray in this manner:

Heavenly carpenters, cut them off, In the name of Jesus; or divine carpenters, destroy their horns of power, in the name of Jesus.

Flying rolls. This is another strange weapon which you are expected to utilise against stubborn enemies. The Bible gives us an insight into the divine weapon known as the flying rolls.

Zech. 5:1-3: Then I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a flying roll. ²And he said unto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying roll; the length thereof *is* twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof ten cubits. ³Then said he unto me, This *is* the curse that goeth forth over the face of the whole earth: for every one that stealeth shall be cut off as on this

side according to it; and every one that sweareth shall be cut off as on that side according to it.

God has established the flying roll to deal with two kinds of enemies: thieves and those who swear falsely.

If your goods have been stolen, you can recover them through the use of the flying roll. Those who swear falsely against you can also be dealt with, with this weapon. Have you been robbed of your precious goods by wicked thieves? Has anyone fraudulently obtained anything from you? Has anyone obtained judgement against you falsely? Has anyone employed lies and falsehood to sit on your right? Then, you can go ahead to release the spirit of the flying roll against your enemies.

The flying roll will locate their houses and restore whatever they stole from you. The roll will fly into their houses and cry out destruction unless they return what they stole from you.

Ravenous birds. This is another strong weapon which God has created for your use in serious or emergency situations. The backing Scripture for this weapon can be found in Isaiah 46:11.

Isaiah 46:11: Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken *it*, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed *it*, I will also do it.

This passage is also supported by Ezekiel 39:4.

Ezekiel 39:4: Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that *is* with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and *to* the beasts of the field to be devoured.

God has His own birds. These birds eat flesh and drink blood. If the eater-; of flesh and drinkers of blood are after you, you can release God's ravenous birds upon them to eat their flesh and drink blood.

Wasters. The Bible says,

Isaiah 54:16: Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the

waster to destroy.

God has created a group of spirits who are charged with the responsibility of destroying God's enemies. These spirits waste and destroy without leaving any remnant. You can release wasters against your stubborn enemies. The moment you release wasters against powers that are waging war against you, problems will erupt in their camp.

Fishers and hunters. The Bible says,

Jeremiah 16:16-17: Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the LORD, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. ¹⁷For mine eyes *are* upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes.

Fishers and hunters are released by the Lord to hunt and deal with hidden demons. These heavenly creatures have been created by God to search out and deal with all the demons and demonic powers wherever they are hidden. If you take up a prayer point like, 'divine fishers and hunters, go to my place of birth and carry out judgment', a lot of terrible things will take place in your place of birth. Witches and wizard will begin to confess.

You may ask, why is God using the weapon of fishers and hunters? The divine fishers operate in the marine world while the hunters operate on land. Therefore, these two powers are able to deal with terrestrial and marine demons. Their goal is to deal with and destroy them.

WHEN GOD FIGHTS YOUR BATTLES

What you have read so far provides training in the art of spiritual soldiering. If you have been a regular reader of my books, you would have discovered a lot of mysteries concerning the battles of life. I have discovered that more and more people are facing tough battles in life. My heart is always touched whenever I watch video clips of our monthly fasting programme, 'Power Must Change Hands'.

According to the conservative estimate made by our ushers, more than five

hundred and fifty thousand people throng our church auditorium every first Saturday of the month in order to receive divine solution to their problems. When I ask to know why the number keeps on swelling every month, close aides tell me that it is an indication of the fact that we are living in an era when the devil has heightened the intensity of the battle which he is waging against men women. It is as if mankind has never had it so rough. This explains why I have made up my mind to sound the battle cry: this is war.

Granted that we are all aware of the fact that this is the age of serious spiritual warfare, the question on everybody's mind is: Can God fight my battles on my behalf? That Is exactly what we are addressing in this book.

Let us examine the weapons that God is going to use to deal with your enemy. The moment you understand the potency of these weapons you will no longer fear what any man or woman can do to you. You will become as bold as a lion. Here are the weapons:

Evil angels. You may wonder why there are evil angels in the Bible.

Psalm 78:49: He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels *among them*.

This passage tells us that God has raised up some evil angels to deal with stubborn enemies. The Bible also call this group of angel "pursuing angels." They are also referred to as destroying angels. One of such angels destroyed the armies of Senacherib.

The psalmist must have been aware of the presence of such an angel when he prayed: "Let the angels of God pursue them day and night." These angels are charged with the responsibility of crusing trouble for the enemy and keeping them busy with pursuing evil assignments. Once they are kept busy by evil angels, they won't know when you promotion papers would be signed. It can be terrible when an evil angel is pursuing a human being. How would such a person escape?

Divine serpents. The Bible says,

Amos 9:1-3: I saw the LORD standing upon the altar: and he said, Smite the lintel of the door, that the posts may shake: and cut them in the head, all

of them; and I will slay the last of them with the sword: he that fleeth of them shall not flee away, and he that escapeth of them shall not be delivered. ²Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them; though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down: ³And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them out thence; and though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of the sea, thence will I command the serpent, and he shall bite them:

I am sure you can recall the encounter between Moses and the magicians. The magicians had conjured up some demonic serpents but Moses introduced a divine serpent which swallowed up what the magicians produced. God can command His own serpents to bite your stubborn enemies.

Are evil powers invoking snakes to bite you? You can command divine serpents to bite the evil serpents and destroy them. At this point, I want you to pray this prayer point with holy anger and spiritual fervency.

Every serpent biting my life, O serpent of God, bite them, in the name of Jesus.

Chariots of fire. This kind of weapon can be found in 2Kings 6:17 and Isa 66: 15-16. When are you supposed to make use of this weapon? When you are attacked by a whole army from the camp of the enemy.

The east wind. This weapon can be found in Ex. 14:21 and Jer.18:17. God used the east wind to deal with Pharaoh and Egypt. It was the east wind that opened up the Red Sea. It was also the east wind that brought the covering of darkness. The east wind scatters God's enemies. It dries them up, breaks them down and makes them to wither. If your problem emanates from stubborn enemies, the east wind is the answer.

The arm of the Lord. This weapon can be found in Isaiah 51 :9. If you pray that the arm of the Lord should be lifted against stubborn enemies, anything can happen.

The voice of the Lord. The Bible says.

Psalm 29:3-9: The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory

thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters. ⁴The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty. ⁵The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon. ⁶He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn. ⁷The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire. ⁸The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness: the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh. ⁹The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to calve, and discovereth the forests: and in his temple doth every one speak of *his* glory.

The voice of the Lord is a very terrible weapon. You can sound it against stubborn pursuers.

God expects you to make use of all these weapons as you deal with enemies, demonic agents, stubborn situations, and problems that defy human wisdom. All you need to do is to give some time and apply the weapons which God has freely created for your physical and spiritual well-being. Of course, you may have to add fasting to your prayer in order to ensure that these problems are dealt with once and for all.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Let every sickness in my life receive termination, in the name of Jesus.
2. Let every architect of problems receive termination, in the name of Jesus.
3. I refuse to reap any satanic harvest in any area of my life, in the name of Jesus.
4. I paralyse all spiritual wolves working against my life, in the name of Jesus.
5. That which hinders me from greatness, begin to give way now, in the name of Jesus.
6. Every imprisoned and buried potential, come forth now, in the name of Jesus.
7. I command all unfriendly helpers in every area of my life to depart, in the name of Jesus.

8. I render null and void the effect of any interaction with satanic agents moving around as men and women, in Jesus' name.
9. I pull down the stronghold of evil strangers in every area of my life, in the name of Jesus.
10. Any negative transaction currently affecting my life negatively, be cancelled, in the name of Jesus.
11. I command all the dark works done against me in secret to be exposed and nullified, in the name of Jesus.
12. I loose myself from any dark spirit, in the name of Jesus.
13. Let all incantations against me be cancelled, in Jesus' name.
14. I command all oppressors to retreat and flee in defeat this moment, in the name of Jesus.
15. I bind every strongman having my goods in his possessions, in the name of Jesus.
16. I break the curse of automatic failure working upon my life, in the name of Jesus.
17. Let the anointing to prosper fall mightily upon me now, in the name of Jesus.
18. let every anti-progress altar fashioned against me be destroyed with the fire of God, in the name of Jesus.
19. I command my destiny to begin to change for the better, in the name of Jesus.
20. Every satanic altar raised against my prayer-life, I pull you down, in the name of Jesus.
21. Every demon of lukewarmness and coldness, get out of my life by fire, in the name of Jesus.
22. I refuse to be a deaf and dumb prayer-warrior, in the name of Jesus.
23. Let every power chasing blessings away from me be paralysed, in the name of Jesus.
24. Let the enemy begin to vomit every good thing he has eaten up in my life, in the name of Jesus.
25. O Lord, give me the power to overcome every obstacle to my breakthroughs.

26. I break all curses of leaking blessings, in Jesus' name.
27. I clear my goods from the warehouse of the strongman, in the name of Jesus.
28. Let all satanic kingdoms working against me fall, in the name of Jesus.
29. Let all hidden arrows in my life be troubled in their hiding places, in the name of Jesus.
30. I frustrate and disappoint every instrument of the enemy fashioned against me, in the name of Jesus.
31. I disarm every household enemy today, in Jesus' name.
32. Let all those who trouble my Israel be troubled to death, in the name of Jesus.
33. I scatter all evil counsellors and conspirators fashioned against me, in the name of Jesus.
34. I scatter all evil forces shedding blood on my behalf, in the name of Jesus.
35. Lord, sharpen my dull sword (not studying the Word) and repair my broken shield (doubt and unbelief).
36. I take authority over every satanic attack on my home, in the name of Jesus.
37. I withdraw the staff of office of the strongman delegated against me, in the name of Jesus.
38. Let every opposition to my breakthroughs crash into pieces, in the name of Jesus.
39. I stand against every faith destroyer in my life, in the name of Jesus.
40. I stand against every unprofitable agreement and reconciliation, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER 10

THE WHISPERING LIZARD

I want you to pray the following prayer points:

1. Oh Lord do something wonderful in my life today.
2. I break the confidence of my Goliath, in the name of Jesus.
3. I raise a divine injunction against every evil gathering working against my life, in the name of Jesus.

LAZINESS

God has a controversy with many of His children. He is disturbed by the spate of wanton laziness which is prevalent in the church.

The church of Christ has suffered incalculable losses because of laziness - spiritual battle has been lost blessings have been forfeited, the birthright battles of many have been exchanged for inconsequential things, while many have toyed with issues of eternal consequence, simply because they are extremely lazy. Laziness will keep you at the valley, rob you of your spiritual and material benefits and bring problems into your life.

To be lazy is to fold your arms and watch the enemy of your life helplessly as he unleashes terror on you and your family. The devil continues to prevail because many of us are lazy. If you are aggressive and hard-working, the devil will not be able to carry out his evil programme in your life.

Laziness is such a terrible vice that it turns adult believers into new converts, spiritual giants into dwarves, millionaires into beggars and achievers into failures. If you allow laziness a lead way in your life, your life will become a monument of failure and non-achievement.

Lazy people would always give excuses or tender reasons why they must

not do what is expected of them. This reminds me of the story of lazy Henry. He was so lazy that he always came up with excuses whenever told to do a simple thing.

Henry was once told to fetch some water and below is the conversation between him and the man who sent him on an errand.

Man	Henry, go and fetch a bucket of water.
Lazy Henry	I'm sorry, I can't - the bucket is leaking.
Man	Go and fix it.
Lazy Henry	With what shall I fix it?
Man	With a straw.
Lazy Henry	With what shall I cut the straw?
Man	Make use of an axe.
Lazy Henry	But the axe is blunt?
Man	Sharpen it.
Lazy Henry	With what shall I sharpen it?
Man	Sharpen it with a stone.
Lazy Henry	But the stone is too dry
Man	Wet it.
Lazy Henry	With what shall I wet it?
Man	Wet it with water
Lazy Henry	With what shall I fetch the water?
Man	Use the bucket.
Lazy Henry	But there is a hole in the bucket.

This is a classic example of a very lazy man. The Bible says:

Proverbs 24:30-34: I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding; ³¹And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down. ³²Then I saw, and considered it well: I looked upon it, and received instruction. ³³Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: ³⁴So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth; and thy want as an armed man.

This passage gives us a graphic description of a lazy man or woman. It shows us how those who are addicted to laziness come up with excuses or reasons for failing to do what is expected of them.

A lazy man would try to convince himself as well as others that he has cogent reasons for failing to do what he is expected to do. Of course, his reasons might sound plausible and convincing yet it is obvious that such excuses are used to hide the fact that he or she is plain lazy. The divine indictment against those who are lazy is so pronounced in the Scriptures and it is repeated time and again:

Proverbs 26:13-18: The slothful *man* saith, *There is* a lion in the way; a lion *is* in the streets. ¹⁴As the door turneth upon his hinges, so *doth* the slothful upon his bed. ¹⁵The slothful hideth his hand in *his* bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth. ¹⁶The sluggard *is* wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason. ¹⁷He that passeth by, *and* meddleth with strife *belonging* not to him, *is like* one that taketh a dog by the ears. ¹⁸As a mad *man* who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death,

Another word for the lazy man is the sluggard. A lazy man is also referred to as the slothful. A lazy man prefers to give excuses for shying away from his responsibilities; he even finds it difficult to bring his hand to his mouth to feed himself. This is an epitome of laziness.

Proverbs 6: 4-11 gives us another picture concerning the lifestyle of a lazy man:

Proverbs 6:4-11: Give not sleep to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids. ⁵Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand of *the hunter*, and as a bird from the hand of the fowler. ⁶Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: ⁷Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, ⁸Provideth her meat in the summer, *and* gathereth her food in the harvest. ⁹How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? ¹⁰Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: ¹¹shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

There is a lot of information in this passage concerning the problem of laziness. As, again, the Bible says:

Proverbs 13:4: The soul of the sluggard desireth, and *hath* nothing; but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

We come across another parallel passage in Proverbs 18:9:

Proverbs 18:9: He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.

The passages we have read so far show us the priority which the Bible accords to diligence and hard work; they also show us God's attitude towards laziness.

Read this:

Eccles. 10:18: By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.

We are sufficiently aware of the fact that many physical and spiritual projects have decayed as a result of laziness. That is why the Bible says: "Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit, serving the Lord."

Do you know what it means to serve the Lord fervently? Hardwork and diligence are the hallmarks of spiritual fervency. God frowns at any act of slothfulness in the business of the Lord. The call into the work of the ministry is not meant for lazy folks. The Christian ministry is hard work.

Some people erroneously believe that Christian service should be done by those who couldn't succeed in any other vocation. If there is any profession that requires a high degree of physical and spiritual alertness, hard work and special skills, it is the vocation of the Christian ministry.

A lazy man may begin the work of the ministry but he will not go very far. Sooner or later, he will discover that laziness and acts of negligence will lead to the failure of the ministry.

The work of the ministry demands diligence, hard work and dedication to duty. Although the grace of God is what makes the ministry to succeed, God expects us to put in our own effort by working hard. There is no denying the fact that God has been so good to our ministry. We were less than 1,000 by the time we moved to our present site. Today, we have about 60,000 regular worshippers in our weekly services. No doubt, the Lord has taken us a long way from our starting point.

Personally, I ran a very hectic schedule at the beginning of the ministry. I had several sleepless nights and ministered everyday of the week. I preached two or three times some of those days. For three months, I was so busy that I had no time for rest. Therefore, I thought I was doing my best and working harder than some of my contemporaries in other ministries. I was shocked when the Lord indicted me, saying, "You're too lazy." When I thought that I had been busy working my fingers to the bone, the Lord made me to know that I was still lazy.

Laziness generally creeps into the lives of God's people unnoticed and grows unchecked. Most people who believe that they spend several hours in prayer are simply lazy. It is possible for somebody to claim that he spent two hours in prayer, only for heaven to have recorded just two minutes' prayer for such a person. If you pray for one hour while you are able to concentrate for only five minutes, you are a lazy man.

A person may be lazy in reading the word of God. He person may be lazy in fasting while very active in evangelism. In the eyes of the Lord, his evangelisation work notwithstanding, he is a lazy man. If we want to be sure where we stand with God, He can always tell us. All we need is to ask.

It is possible for a person to be lazy in what the Bible calls 'watching'. If you pray only for yourself and your family, you may be surprised the day the Lord will confront you with the charge of laziness in your Christian life. It is also possible for a person to be lazy in witnessing.

All these kinds of laziness are very dangerous to our spiritual lives because they cause the building to decay and we will be in trouble. We have a restless enemy. The forces of darkness do not go on sabbatical leave, neither do they go on holidays. Therefore when you decide to take a holiday, you invite trouble. No wonder that hymn-writer says,

Christians, seek not yet repose,
Hear Thy guardian angel say,
Thou art in the midst of roes
Watch and pray.

I read the testimony of somebody who said that Satan once called a world-

wide convention. In his opening address, after he had welcomed them he said: "You see, we can't keep them from reading their Bibles, we can't keep them from knowing the truth, but we can keep them lazy so that, in whatever they are doing, they will not be effective."

Laziness is that sneaky lizard that is perpetually whispering the word into our ears: "Tomorrow... tomorrow... tomorrow... later... later..." If you have ever watched the ways of a lizard, you will understand that the animal does nothing all day long. It is either basking in the sun or just wandering about. It is only when it sees food that it springs to life. After eating, it resumes its idleness.

A lizard can stay in one place for a long time without moving. When we are lazy, all our hopes and dreams end up in dusty pipe and, later in life, we are disappointed. Some people are very young now and have bustling energy to pray but they do not make use of the energy to pray. It is very sad when you see some old people praying like fire beside some young people who pray as if they have been drained of all their energy. The bottom line of all spiritual immaturity and lack of growth is laziness and many Christians are lazy to do what God asks them to do.

If God has programmed you to pray for two to three hours per day and you do just ten minutes and give up, that is spiritual laziness and you will surely reap the benefit of that laziness: the house will continue to decay.

Right now, I want you to place your hand on your chest and pray like this:

All powers speaking decay into my house, vanish, in the name of Jesus.

The Bible word in Hebrew that is translated lazy in English can be related to somebody who has a bow and an arrow but cannot use them. It is the spirit of "I will do it ... I will do it ...", without ever getting round to do anything.

Sometimes, it is the spirit of indifference to the affairs of God as well as to one's own life's affairs. It is a sin because it cares for nothing, believes in nothing and seeks to know nothing, interferes with nothing and lives an aimless existence.

Laziness is a passive approach to life where one only observes things

happening around one without making any effort to make an impact. In a family circle, if one is not recognised as a person of means, one should aspire to be, at least, a prayer warrior.

Where a man does not have distinguishing qualities, it can always be traced to biblical laziness. Biblical laziness is the situation of lack of competitiveness while, at the same time, nursing the idea of being entitled to all the good things of life, even when one has not made any contributions.

Biblical laziness is also the act of shirking responsibilities and getting more and more accustomed to a less demanding lifestyle.

There is actually an animal called sloth. It may not be existing in this part of the world now. It lives the whole of its day with its head hanging down tree branches. When it decides to come down the tree it does so at the rate of ten feet per minute. It is one animal that builds no nest, has no young to cater for and sleeps between 15 to 22 hours a day.

Of course, laziness does not necessarily mean we are not doing anything; it is often the failure to do things that have to be done when they have to be done. This eventually induces procrastination.

A lot of people waste away their valuable lives before the television set. They read 'Psalm 23' of television:

The T.V. is my shepherd, my spiritual life shall want; the T.V. maketh me to sit down and do nothing; it keepeth me from doing my daily duties as a Christian because it presents me good shows to watch; it keepeth me from studying the word of God; it leads me down the path of doing nothing for God; may its sound and its picture comfort me; it presenteth worldly entertainment before me, it fills my head with ideas contrary to the word of God; surely, the T.V. offers no time to read the word of God; and T.V addicts shall draw inspirational poverty all the days of their lives."

This is true. Some people watch T.V. all day long and while they do, they remain awake. But when it comes to reading the Bible, after three or four verses, they are already dozing. When some are tired of watching the T.V. they go out to video clubs to borrow more video cassettes so that they can

spend more time before the screen. To be honest with you, the T.V. can be regarded as the greatest witchcraft in the world. There is nothing again on this planet that captures people more than the television does.

PROBLEMS OF A LAZY PERSON

The lazy person has many problems, which include:

A lazy person will never experience spiritual growth because those things that will ensure his growth require hard work.

A lazy person is no match for the enemy as the spirit of laziness is sure to hold the fellow back. In his own eyes he may see himself as trying his best, but he needs to tell us what he uses to measure his efforts.

Laziness is a big sin but quite insidious that one may never realise its presence in one's system

PROCRASTINATION

Procrastination is the forerunner of laziness. The man who procrastinates may deceive himself, thinking that he is only postponing or putting off till another time what he plans to do. Somebody has rightly observed that procrastination is the thief of time. A man who is given to procrastination will never agree that he is lazy. But let me say this: procrastination is the child of laziness. You cannot experience spiritual growth If you allow procrastination to render you lazy.

Many people would have achieved great things in life if they had not postponed certain actions they were supposed to take. You cannot flow in your spiritual life until you develop spiritual sense of urgency and refuse to put things aside. I pity many Christians who are drifting and wasting precious physical, material, financial and spiritual resources.

Unfortunately, many believers who are endowed with exceptional talents, great spiritual qualities and unique abilities have failed to profit themselves and others in spite of the amount of opportunity given to them.

Let me ask you a direct question: What have you done with all the ideas,

insights, skills and inspirations which the Lord has given to you, if the totality of your output falls below divine expectation?

Those who are lazy generally have lots of abandoned or unfinished projects in their lives. They are always eager to start a project which they abandon as soon as they get started. They are too quick to start a new project when they know that many of their old projects are far from being finished. They lack the ability to focus on an objective until it is achieved.

The lazy man refuses to face tasks or challenges squarely. Rather he comes up with excuses.

How do you know a lazy person?

He rises up to say, "There is a lion in the street, I cannot go out."

Lazy Christians have several excuses for being inactive in the church. They go to work regularly but absent themselves from church services.

Lazy people do not accept the word of God. They explain everything away. They have reasons for entertaining laziness in their lives.

Lazy people do not contribute anything to the progress of others. Those who keep on giving money to lazy people are wasting their resources. Lazy people need discipline, not financial assistance. The fact that you are giving large sums of money to lazy people does not mean you are helping them. They do not need practical help. What they need is spiritual help to bring them up.

Laziness of one partner can stall the progress of the home. The whole family suffers when one partner is very lazy.

The homes of many lazy families have been converted to dustbins. Such homes stink. The living rooms and bedrooms have made many family members sick.

A lot of men are guilty in this direction. They hide under the fact that they are the heads of the homes and then shy away from lending a helping hand to their spouses. As soon as they come back from their offices, they sit down lazily before the television until they sleep off.

Many lazy husbands and wives blame their children for the physical outlook of their home.

Lazy people are always restless. They desire to have more material benefits while they are not ready to do anything to earn them.

Our cities are filled with lazy men who spend all their money and time on pool betting and gaming machines. Many lazy people are slaves to lotteries and the so-called lucky dip, all because they want easy money and the lottery organisers are feeding fat on their gullibility.

A lazy person is a spiritually helpless person because the enemies like his kind of person, knowing that he would not-be able to do much to harm them. They know that when all it takes to dislodge them is a ten-minutes prayer, this fellow cannot afford to pray for more than five minutes.

Laziness must be banished from our lives. It is among the sins that God hates most. Lukewarmness is a form of laziness. In the Bible we read that the Lord says of lukewarm people, "I will fish such people out because they are useless to Him.

The lazy man is useless in the spirit world. The Bible says he is like vinegar to the teeth and smoke to the eyes, and like wise he is useless to himself through. There is disorder in his life.

When you study the Bible, you will discover that about 70 verses dwell on this problem of laziness.

God cannot use a lazy man in His plans unless he is ready to repent. God may love us dearly, but He has a specific time-table that must be adhered to and He is not likely to allow one lazy servant to mess this up.

It is possible for a person to cease to be part of God's programme for the future, and if the person is not very careful, he may at the end lose salvation.

One of the spirits of the age is that which causes believers to grow more slothful in their spiritual lives.

A lazy man is unteachable. If you come across anyone who thinks he knows everything and does not work towards gaining new knowledge, it is an

Indication of laziness on his part.

Laziness will make a person the servant of others forever because he is sure to be a wishful thinker. He may be making senseless excuses for laziness, like this:

"Well, let me watch this play first and then come to read my Bible."

"Of course, I'll pray but let me listen to the news first"

At the end of the day, he does none of these. That is why the Bible says that the lazy man is void of understanding, has no faith, refuses opportunities, irritates people, and allows poverty into his life.

Laziness will surely keep a person at the bottom because if you are to succeed in the spiritual world, you must apply yourself to prayer, the word of God, a life of holiness and a life of discipline. If these are not there, an individual is sure to fall to the bottom position in life.

Laziness brings destruction because a lazy man is invariably poison among God's people. Having a lazy man among God's people is a sin because it represents a weak link in a chain where the chain can break at anytime.

Of all types of laziness that are prevalent in the present world, the most terrible is spiritual laziness for, when a person starts praying and all the things he has left undone flood into his mind, pressing him to stop the prayer, his spiritual strength is drained.

If when night vigil got underway, you simply slept off and when you woke up and you are asked how many people were at the vigil, and you count yourself as one, you have added another sin to your laziness. Of course, a lazy man is always a liar.

A person is lazy who goes to bed at about 10:00 p.m. and by 7:00 a.m. he is still in bed. He does not get up to do ordinary quiet time, and he thereby fails to nourish himself spiritually.

At the other extreme are other people who work for long hours but spare just a few minutes for their spiritual lives.

Spiritual laziness is one of the besetting sins of modern-day Christianity. Failure to observe quiet or devotional time is caused by laziness.

Failure to plan one's spiritual life to accommodate the many ideas for the ministry that God has committed into one's hands will make one hardly move forward. Likewise, when a believer busies himself with only the simplest aspect of the whole work of the ministry, the whispering lizard is already at work in such a believer, talking to his life; he will do very little spiritually.

SOLUTION

We need to find the solution. We need to pray regularly. But when some people complain of things not going smoothly with them and are advised to do two days dry fast, they lazily shy away from this. It is difficult to see earthly life get one through heaven's gate. But there are ways out of the problem:

Recognise that laziness is a sin, especially if God has programmed something you should do and you keep lagging behind.

Decide to confront laziness in your life. This is a personal decision, and one good way of confronting laziness is to do a three-day dry fast to banish the laziness out of one's life.

Pray for zeal and fervency.

Learn and apply the principle of diligence and hard work. The Bible gives us an interesting example of these in Proverbs 6: 6-8:

Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: ⁷Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, ⁸provideth her meat in the summer, *and* gathereth her food in the harvest.

From the fore-going example of the ant, we learn the five important principles of diligence: initiative, direction, respect for seasons, the ability to finish jobs and the foresight to plan for the future.

Understand the various levels of laziness. Choosing the easy part of any assignment and leaving the major parts to others is one type of laziness.

When God is putting His prompting into your heart and you keep disobeying, it is another type of laziness.

There is also inherited laziness as well as demonic laziness. But the good news is that it is always possible to deliver a person from laziness.

Learn the discipline of rising up early. Those involved in spiritual warfare know that when you wake up early, you take charge of the day, putting yourself above the whims of the elements - the sun, the moon, etc., - and the day will not in any way oppose you. Some religions actually require the devotee to rise early so he can speak to the day.

Respect the passing of time. Time is limited and irrecoverable. We have to respond to this fact by using time well. If you have a friend who is a time-waster, avoid him like the plague.

Imbibe the spirit of discipline. There is no easy way of imbibing discipline. It is tough work. But you just have to do it NOW, for discipline works only in the NOW!

The Spirit has guided me in enumerating the above points concerning the various levels of laziness and I believe there is a purpose for it.

A lot of people attending the Mountain of Fire and Miracles church should by now be moving with thunder and fire, but they have been kept behind by laziness. Many of them have not been praying the way God wants them to pray, and God sees this as laziness. Some read the Bible but not to the level God wants them to read it. Some have very strong enemies but offer very weak prayers, and God keeps saying, "This is lazy prayer, you'd better wake up and pray hard."

Make up your mind right now to banish laziness out of your spirit, it is one sin that God hates. When Jesus was around, He was always on the road bent on doing the work of Him that sent Him. He had no illusion about His assignment but faced it squarely, and when it was all finished He said, "Yes, it is finished." And He bowed down and died. That was how we had our programme of redemption as outlined by Jesus Christ.

There are many people who should be prophets of God but are hardly able

to say the kinds of prayers that can make them prophets. When God begins to school His men, it can be a hard experience.

One man used of God in a Pentecostal ministry in Nigeria never found it easy when God called him and asked him to do a 19-day dry fast. When he completed the 19-day fast and sat down to break the fast, God said, "No, do ten more days." And off he went again. It was God schooling His own.

Many of us erroneously think there is a short cut to power, but there is none. Some people think highly of their prayer level whereas, as far as God' is concerned, it is very low when compared with the height God intends for them to attain; and God has no other name for this than laziness.

When an average Christian cannot memorise 20 verses of the Bible correctly and tell off-hand where a particular Bible text is taken from, it amounts to laziness.

I saw on television sometime ago, a seven-year old boy said to have memorised the whole Koran. To prove this, the boy was asked diverse questions on the Koran and he answered them perfectly. This poses a challenge to all those who call themselves children of God. It is quite easy for some people to take up a newspaper and read it, the front and the back page, even when most of the contents are lies. But that Book that will stand after all other books have been thrown into fire is hardly comprehensible to most of us. Many Just don't know how to study the Bible while some are content to take it in bits of two or three verses daily. Some close it as quickly as they opened it and still regard it as having been read. This is unfortunate.

We need to pray against laziness so that God can take us out of backwardness unto that height He wants us to attain in Christendom.

We can start by looking inward to examine our hearts and see whether we are those kinds of persons that God wants us to be.

Are we those kinds of Christians who are busy yawning and dozing when God wants us to be praying?

Look inward and ask yourself why you should be offering slack, ineffectual prayers when you are surrounded by a host of marauding witches and you are

wondering why victory is not coming. Right now, God is saying that you have been lazy in your prayer life.

When you offer slack prayers carelessly and halfheartedly, it is a manifestation of laziness on your part.

Laziness is the sin of the modern-day man as he continuously devises laziness-inducing methods and gadgets, like the remote control systems. Because of this, our prayer life, among other things, suffer greatly. Now how do we get out of this rot?

Should we allow the spirit of this age to get into us and make us losers of those battles we should win hands down if we were not lazy? The answer if no, you should say your prayers earnestly and ask God to forgive you for any spirit of laziness you may have allowed into your life. You may have been giving yourself a pass mark all the while but if God could call even church leaders lazy men, where do we go from here?

All this shows we have not been moving the way God wants us to move. If you review all those lofty dreams that you have nursed over the years, you will discover that most of them are gathering dust because of your spiritual laziness.

I would like you to quietly talk to the Lord at this point. Mention your specific areas of laziness to Him.

If God has programmed you to stand in the gap at exactly 5:00 a.m. and He woke you up but drift back into sleep, can you rightly accuse Him of not speaking to you next time?

How would He talk when you have not stayed awake long enough to hear Him? You have no better time to settle this matter with God than now; tell Him that you are sorry, you have now realised Why you have not been hearing His voice, that you have not stayed long enough in His presence, and that He is not telling you what He expects you to know because you have not been standing before Him to pray.

Believers have a restless enemy, a restless devourer. Therefore, we cannot afford to be lazy. To afford to be lazy is to facilitate our own destruction. It is

time for the spirit of slumber to be dispelled and the spirit of fervency to take its place.

Place your hand on your chest and solemnly promise the Lord that you will increase your prayer power, increase your Bible reading time and the devotional time you have with Him daily.

Only heavens can quantify what laziness has stolen from our lives. Somebody who had a strange prayer and had to pray over it immediately puts it off till one week, thus allowing the enemy to entrench himself in his life properly.

Another person goes to eat when and where he is not supposed to eat, and the enemy seizes the opportunity to poison him. Many have the gift of easily winning others for Jesus and, because of this, God has been pushing people their way to be introduced to Christ, but they have been failing because of laziness. Without doubt the blood of these lost souls shall be required of the lazy Christians.

While a lot of Christians are overly critical of certain people whose lives fall short of biblical standards, they hardly spare the time to pray for such people. This attitude has to change and this you can do by first quietly but earnestly praying to God to let the message in this book continue to ring in your spirit so that your life will no longer remain the same; and to let the fervency and the zeal of God begin to boil in your heart, in the name of Jesus.

As you cover yourself with the blood of Jesus, everything that you touch shall be a harvest. The glory of God shall overshadow your life.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Lord, forgive me of any spiritual laziness in me.
2. All you spirits of laziness, get out of my life, in Jesus' name.
3. Everything that laziness has stolen from my life, I repossess you, in the name of Jesus.
4. I refuse to be the foot-mat of the enemy, in Jesus' name.

5. Oh God, arise and let all Your enemies in my life scatter, in the name of Jesus.
6. I refuse to assist my enemies to fight, in Jesus' name.
7. I paralyse everyone behind the extension and the expansion of my problems, in the name of Jesus.
8. Let every tree of sorrow be uprooted in my life, in the name of Jesus.
9. Let the rain of fire fall on the camp of every hardened enemy, in the name of Jesus.
10. Every dark meeting held against me, receive the thunder of God, in the name of Jesus.
11. Every inherited spiritual handicap, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.
12. Put your hand very close to belly button and pray like this:
13. Every satanic deposit, be melted by fire, in the name of Jesus.
14. I quench every rage of the enemy directed against my progress, in the name of Jesus.
15. Every demonic resistance to my prayers, be broken, in the name of Jesus.
16. Every demonic reinforcement against my life, be broken, in the name of Jesus.
17. Let the power of God be released into my body now, in the name of Jesus.
18. Let the power of God be released upon my body from the crown of my head to the sole of my feet, in the name of Jesus.
19. Let every afflicting force be consumed by fire, in Jesus' name.
20. Evil strangers, come out of your hiding place in any area of my life, in the name of Jesus.
21. I cast out the spirit of evil inheritance, in the name of Jesus.
22. I stand against every addictive desire in my life, in Jesus' name.
23. Let the healing power of God flow into every damaged part of my body, in the name of Jesus.
24. I release the creative miracle of God into every department of my life, in

the name of Jesus.

25. O Lord begin to restore me to full abundant life.
26. O Lord, empower my life with Your authority over every demonic force that set themselves against my life.
27. O Lord, let all the impossible begin to become possible for me in every department of my life.
28. O Lord, take me from where I am to where You want me to be.
29. O Lord, make a way for me where there is no way.
30. O Lord, grant me the power to be fulfilled, successful and prosperous in life.
31. O Lord, break me up in every department of my life.
32. O Lord, make me to breakthrough into dumbfounding miracles in all areas of my life.
33. O Lord, make me to break out of every obstacle on my way to progress in life.
34. O Lord, establish me in truth, godliness and faithfulness.
35. O Lord, add flavour to my work.
36. O Lord, add increase to my work.
37. O Lord, add profitability to my work.
38. O Lord, promote and preserve my life.
39. I reject the plans and agenda of the enemies against my life, in the name of Jesus.
40. I reject the assignments and weapons of the enemy against my life, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER ELEVEN

FIGHTING FROM HEAVEN

If you are being harassed by herbalists, witches or wizards, or that your name has been circulated for evil or under any form of attack, then it will do you a world of good if you try and read this chapter whole-heartedly. You will get to a point where whenever your name is taken somewhere your enemies would become so afraid that they would start making remarks like: "Please, not this one, look for someone else."

EXAMPLE IN THE SCRIPTURE

In Judges chapter 5, we see the great exploits of a woman. In the passage, we read about somebody called Sisera, a terrible man. For many years he harassed the kingdom of Israel and dealt ruthlessly with it. The reason was that he had about 900 chariots of iron. At that time, the knowledge of iron was not very common; the land of Israel did not have even one chariot, while Sisera had 900. So, whenever Sisera struck, there was pandemonium; and he was greatly feared. He harassed and intimidated Israel for years. He was an army captain.

But then, somebody decided to withstand Sisera. This woman knew that she could not beat Sisera's chariots of iron. She knew that even if she had chariots of iron, there were no men to ride them on the physical plane. Hence this woman called prophetess Deborah knew that she could not fight Sisera on the physical plane; so she took the battle to the heavenlies.

Sisera went ahead and waged war against Israel, but for the first time in his life, he suffered defeat. His chariots were scattered and dealt with because a woman understood how to fight from heaven and used it to her advantage.

Everyone in the army of Sisera died, except Sisera who escaped, and ran until he arrived at the tent of a woman of Israel and became very tired. The

woman smiled at him and said, "Come inside, sir, and rest" Sisera heeded her call. After sometime the woman persuaded him to sleep, covered him with a blanket and he slept off. And while he was asleep, this housewife got a long nail and a hammer, put the nail on his forehead and smashed it to the ground. That was the end of Sisera. He was completely silenced by a woman for ever.

Why was this possible? Because Deborah fought from heaven. I pray that your Sisera shall die today, in the name of Jesus.

Ephesians 6:12 reveals to us that there are some kinds of wickedness in the heavenlies. If the enemy wants to eliminate a person, to make sure he has no way of escape, the best place he goes to is the heavenlies. He consults the spiritual wickedness there. And since the enemy can fight with assistance from the heavens, if we too must disgrace all his powers, we must know how to fight from heavens as well.

Ephesians 2:5-6 says that if you are born-again, and you are living the kind of life God wants you to live, then your seat is not here, you are seated together with Christ in the heavenlies. But if you are still pampering sin, you cannot have a seat in the heavenlies which is the best place to fight from.

IGNORANCE

Unfortunately, the church and most Christians have been ignorant of these things for a long time. As mentioned earlier, ignorance is the greatest enemy of man. Ignorance is at the root of most of the problems we have. The true nature of our problems is not understood. Fear is a product of ignorance. When you are at the mercy of ignorance, that ignorance will control you. Right now a lot of people are being controlled by ignorance. That is why you find able-bodied men being bathed at the bar-beach by women.

Ignorance is the mother of personal destruction. No wonder the Bible says, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

Ignorance is voluntary misfortune. It is worse to be ignorant of your own ignorance.

Ignorance, they say, costs more than education because it is the mother of

suspicion. While you are busy pointing at an old woman with grey hair as a witch, the real one, the original witch, is the one wearing a three-piece suit sitting by your side.

Experimentation is an admission of ignorance. That is why you should not allow your life to be used as an experiment.

Ignorance is never out of fashion. It was the fashion yesterday, the same today, and will be the same tomorrow. The highest form of ignorance is when you reject something you do not know anything about.

However, the greatest enemy of ignorance is knowledge. When you have knowledge, ignorance runs away. But the trouble with knowledge is this: knowledge will not acquire you, it is you that will acquire it. For example, if all you do with your life is to sit in a church every Sunday to sing, "I must prosper on earth," you would come out of the church without learning anything.

The spiritual controls the physical. Nobody can imprison you unless you allow it. If you do not conquer ignorance with knowledge, you will be destroyed.

Sometime ago, the Lord brought home this lesson to me in a very strong way. When I got out of school, I bought a Volkswagen bus, while all my friends were buying saloon cars. I considered the Volkswagen bus more useful to me. All my friends laughed at me and called me a fool. Some even said that I had not bought a motor vehicle.

But after sometime, when the incidence of armed robbery worsened, my friends started losing their Peugeot 504 saloon cars one by one to armed robbers; and I found that the robbers were not interested in my vehicle. They never stopped my bus for once.

It was this bus that I packed up along Ikorodu road in Lagos one day, while I was going for an important engagement. As I was wondering what happened, a young mechanic came and said, "Sir, any problem?" I said, "This bus has just stopped and refuses to start." He looked inside and said, "Ah, the coil is bad". I did not know what a coil was or what it looked like. I asked him what we should do. He answered that his workshop was just across the

road, and that he would go and bring a new coil. "Just bring one thousand five hundred naira (about one hundred and fifty U. S. dollars), he concluded.

I said, "Okay, go and bring it first." He ran quickly across the road to get the coil. But while I was waiting for him to return, another mechanic, a small boy, came and said, "Sir, what is happening?"

I said, "This bus suddenly packed up, but I am already receiving attention." He said, "Sir, let me just have a look." Then he looked and smiled.

I interrupted him and said, "But the other boy said the coil is bad."

He did not answer yes or no. He just muttered something and smiled. He put his hand into one of his dirty pockets, brought out a spanner, went to the battery compartment and hit the top three times with the spanner and asked me to start the engine. I did and the engine started.

I said, "Ah, what did you do to the battery?" He said that the connection on the battery head was a little bit loose, and that all he did was to hit it back to its normal position.

"Now, how much do I pay?" I asked. He said, "Nothing." My ignorance would have cost me a lot of money, time and probably the bus because the other mechanic could have spoilt it. Ignorance is terrible indeed!

One day, we were travelling to Ibadan. Somebody had just bought a fairly used imported car and this made the driver feel he had to overtake every vehicle on the road. As he drove along, he really overtook any vehicle on sight. I did not say anything to the driver. I don't normally warn drivers not to over-speed because I know I would not die in an accident. This driver continued with the high speed, until suddenly it began to rain. I noticed that he started to slow down; and I said, "Keep moving. Why are you slowing down?" He said, "Sir, this car has no wiper."

Soon, the rain became so heavy that we found it difficult to see through the windscreen. So he stopped and parked the car. No sooner had we done this that all the trucks, Volkswagen cars, Volkswagen buses and other smaller vehicles that we had earlier on overtaken speed past us. Why? They all had wipers, which cost only ₦150.00 (about 1.5 U. S. dollars) We were stuck

there with an almost new car carrying a sound engine because of ignorance. Sometimes, a little bit of know-how can save you from a lot of trouble.

I prayed for a man some years ago. As he stood up from his chair and went away, I saw a tortoise on the chair. I quickly called him back and said, "Look, what is this?" He immediately understood and said, "Ah, okay, many years ago, some charms were prepared for me with a tortoise. But I threw the tortoise into the sea." Yes, he threw it into the sea physically, but it was planted into his life spiritually. "This is what has slowed down your life", I told him. We now poured anointing oil on the tortoise, and if died. Nobody hit it with a stick. Hitting it with a stick would have meant ignorance.

Ignorance made this man to look for solution where he was not supposed to. If it was not ignorance how could he say that he wanted to progress in life, and he asked somebody to prepare charms for him with a tortoise? He should have asked questions. A tortoise does not move fast Why did he prefer a tortoise? Why didn't he use a dog? Ignorance!

Close your eyes and pray this prayer point:

Ignorance shall not destroy my life, in the name of Jesus.

I am saying all these because the fact that you do not know would not excuse you from trouble. Ignorance is not an excuse at all.

THE MISERIES AND PROBLEMS OF LIFE

Life is full of miseries and problems. And it is said that one man's meat is another man's poison. For example, every morning, when you and I wake up, we pray vigorously, "I shall not die but live to declare the works of God." But the fellow who constructs and sells coffins is praying another prayer point completely. So, you find motions and counter-motions in life.

We have doctors in the church whose prayer is, "O Lord, I want to profit, send me customers", while you and I are saying, "By His stripes I am healed". You are busy saying your own prayers, that you do not want to be sick, but the doctor wants people to fall ill. Of course, if there is no malaria, the drugs will not sell. That is life. Thus, in the middle of these motions and

counter-motions, you can get into serious trouble if you do not know what to do.

When you are a Christian, you apply your Bible knowledge wherever you find yourself. The Bible is applicable to all generations, nations and cultures. Apply it where you are. African demons differ from European demons. Tune your Christianity to where you find yourself.

There are some wicked Nigerians who have glued themselves to the heavenlies. Most of their colleagues have been killed for the same offence they are committing. But nobody could kill them because they have already hung their powers in the heavenlies.

12 LOCAL POWERS

There are 12 main local powers in this country. Therefore, you must know the God whom you serve and know what to do when this kind of thing confronts you. The 12 main local powers are:

FAMILIAR SPIRITS. Some people call it '*Ogbanje*', and many are unconscious members of this power.

HOUSEHOLD WICKEDNESS.

EVIL COVENANTS.

TERRITORIAL POWERS. There are some people from particular areas of this country who always experience particular problems. In some areas in this country now you find pathological liars. Also there are some areas where everything works well as long as you do not mention the word 'money' but once you do that, the temperature of the people rises to an abnormal level. There are some areas too, where the men pride themselves on the number of concubines they have. It is a territorial demon that is responsible for this trend. There are some areas where the indigenes will never prosper unless they leave that vicinity. This is because of territorial powers.

CURSES.

WATER SPIRITS. The greatest problem of Nigeria today is associated

with the activities of water spirits.

FOREST SPIRITS.

DESTRUCTIVE INCANTATIONS. Somebody is biting his or her tongue and muttering words; you do not understand what he or she is saying, and yet something is happening.

WITCHCRAFT.

DIVINATION. This is where you have sorcerers, witch doctors (diviners) and enchanters, both crude and modern.

PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL ALTARS.

SATANIC PROPHETS.

Any problem confronting you today emanates from one or all of these powers.

Many of us have gone to churches where they prophesied on our heads. They would always say, "Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth". But the Lord was not saying anything. At the end of it all, they issue curses on one's head. I pray that God will deliver us from ignorance.

It can be very sad when some people stubbornly sit down in such churches. All entreaties for them to leave there usually fall on deaf ears. "They cured me when I was sick", they would say. Of course, they cured you of tuberculosis and introduced H. I. V.

Beloved, there is power in the name of Jesus. The Bible says that at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow. It means that no matter what other names are called, whether on earth, in the waters, or in the heavens above, the name of Jesus is above all, and is also above any name that is yet to be named.

When a terrible thing is brought against you, you should learn how to deprogramme it; you must learn how to pray deprogramming prayers; you must learn how to arrest the spirit behind what is being sent to you. Once you arrest the spirit behind a charm, for example, it becomes powerless.

Sometime ago, I received a phone call from New York, USA. The caller said, "Right now, Sir, as I am speaking to you, there is a pot of sacrifice in front of my door."

I said, "Sir, where are you speaking from"? He answered, "New York."

I said, "Okay, let us pray: Father, in the name of Jesus."

But this brother quickly interrupted me before I could finish, and said, "No, no. Please, don't pray in English language. Pray in Yoruba, because I want that pot of sacrifice to understand the message."

Why? Because he did not know what to do. All he needed to do was to arrest the spirit behind the sacrifice. The way we teach our members in the Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries Church is to send it back to the origin. The man should have said. "You spirit behind this pot of sacrifice, go to where Jesus wants you to go." It would be all well and good if Jesus decided to post it back to the sender or to hell fire.

Know that Jesus has given you some powers. No weapon fashioned against you shall prosper, and every tongue that rises against you in judgement, you shall condemn. It is you therefore that will condemn them by yourself and not God.

There are lots of weapons in the armoury of God to defeat any evil power because every evil power has a counter weapon from God that can beat it or defeat it.

FIVE SOURCES OF POWER

There are many wicked people in our environment and they draw their powers from five sources. So, if you want to deal with them, you must attack the source from which their powers come. If someone threatens to use hot water as a weapon of fighting against you and you are able to destroy or unplug the kettle from the source of power, then the battle is already won because the source of power has been disconnected. These are the 5 sources of power:

WATER. There is water below and above. According to the Bible, in the beginning, God divided the waters into two, and put a firmament in the middle. That is why many religions cannot function without a river or sea. Many of those who call themselves prophets and are bathing people's husbands and wives in the river, draw their powers from the water. Thank God that the Bible says God has serpents that can go and bite somebody inside the water.

In my book, 'How to Obtain Personal Deliverance,' I shared the testimony of a sister who wanted a husband and her mother asked her to go to a prophet to wash her head.

At night, the prophet took the lady to the beach and bathed her naked. An adult lady bathed by a man? There was no way he would not fall into sin.

As the bathing was going on at mid-night, a creature suddenly came out from the sea and grabbed the lady, pulling her away. When the prophet noticed that this creature almost dragged this lady away, he threw away his Bible and started incantations. He chanted incantations for a few minutes before the creature released this lady.

At this stage, the lady became amazed and said, "Ah, you this man, carrying a Bible, how come you understand so much incantations?" Being a very intelligent lady, she knew that there would be problems for her later, and she began to look for deliverance.

FROM THE DUST OF THE EARTH. For many years, there was conflict between the Tivs and the Jukuns in the middle belt of Nigeria. This resulted in continuous war. Unfortunately, some Christians on both sides took sides with their ethnic groups, each praying against the other.

But thank God, there were some intercessors who had knowledge of this kind of situation. They took up the challenge because the conflict developed into a full scale war fought with modern weapons. This fight had terrible, demonic implications. The people were consulting the powers of darkness, so much that an old woman stood confidently, facing policemen who were armed with automatic weapons. And when they pumped bullets into her for daring to confront them, she used her wrapper to collect the bullets without a

single one hitting her. Then the policemen, in great surprise, ran for their lives. In fact, the men did not go to the battle field, they were represented by their women with demonic powers. The men only watched and took stock of whatever was happening in the battlefield.

However, some Christian brothers decided not to take sides. They stood in the gap, fasted, prayed and sought the face of God, so that the war would come to an end. The Lord began to tell them what to do. Now armed with the word of God, they went to the battle front each time there was a lull and began to address the trees, leaves, roots, and the earth never to co-operate or obey the people with demonic powers anymore. They scooped dust from the earth and spoke to it not to respond to incantations again and threw it down. They spoke to the atmosphere never to be favourable.

Soon the prayers started having results. When the war resumed, the women came back and as usual plucked some leaves, chewed them, spat them out, started chanting incantations and faced the armed men again, but contrary to their expectations, the first volley of bullets fired at them ripped them open and they fell down. When the men saw this, they ran.

The other side also tried some fetish things which ended in great disaster. And just like this, the war came to a permanent stop, and the government was overwhelmed with joy. Since then, nobody has been bold enough to start any trouble there again.

This is what we are saying: God's children must know that we can command leaves, roots, trees, fruits, parts of animals, feathers, water and including all other things used in making charms. We can talk to and de-programme them; we can speak to the earth not to co-operate because all those incantations cannot work without the dust.

BY WITCHCRAFT.

THE ELEMENTS. The evil people use fire, air and all other elements.

THE HEAVENS. The sun, the moon and the stars.

These are the five sources from which wicked men draw their power. Beloved, there is no other source apart from these—water, the dust,

witchcraft, the elements and the heavens. The most wicked are the heavenlies, which co-operate with the spiritual wickedness already there. Once an evil thing is programmed against a person in the heavenlies, the person is as good as dead.

There was one particular war that ended recently—the war of Kosovo. What stopped that war? It is what we call air superiority. Whoever controls the heavenlies, controls what happens on earth. And since the heavenlies are watching the affairs of men on earth, no one can escape from their attack. Therefore, once you learn how to fight from the heavenlies, you can deal with the enemy directly and above his level. In the military, you have a great advantage over the enemy once you possess superior air power.

If something is programmed against someone in the heavenlies, such a person would start suffering from constant near-success-syndrome. When something good is about to work out for him, it scatters. Good things find it difficult to survive in his life; his ability to maintain permanent victory becomes difficult. It is then the spirit of death would always be pursuing him and he would have no true fulfilment in life. The person would have marital turbulence that cannot be explained; chronic fear; enslaving habits, demoted or vandalised destiny, simply because something has been programmed against him in the heavenlies.

If there are idols in your family and they are connected to the sun, the moon and the stars, the idols would contact them each time they want to fight you. That is why you must pray aggressively like this: "O sun, moon and stars, whatsoever has been programmed into you against me, I dismantle them, in the name of Jesus." That is why when you see anyone raining curses on you while pointing to the heavens, you must reject and cancel the curses in the name of Jesus.

There are some religions where the adherents pour curses and enchantments into the heavenlies daily. The truth of the matter, is that the church or the children of God are the ones meant to be fighting from heaven, like Deborah. But when Adam fell, satan hijacked this power, and now he is very reluctant to allow men access to it again. When people get connected to the heavenlies, they enter into what we call ultimate power. It is very wrong,

for us as a church to sit down and allow sorcerers or enchanters to take over. Unfortunately, the heavens have become terribly polluted by sorcerers, diviners and enchanters.

II Chronicles 6:18 talks about the heaven of heavens. There is a place called the heaven of heavens. We have the heaven but there is another one called the heaven of heavens. That is where you should fight from. See also Deuteronomy 10:14. Our Lord is the head of all these things; our Lord is enthroned in the heavens, far above every known power. (Ephesians 1:20-21)

Moses, in the Bible, started his fight from the heavenlies. He caused darkness to fall on Egypt. He knew that the Egyptians used to draw powers, from the sun, and he too started his battle from there and blackened the sun for them.

Please, pray this prayer point:

The heavenlies shall not co-operate with my enemies, In the name of Jesus.

Elijah dealt with the elements in the heavens and produced drought for three and half years. What Elijah did from the heavens, brought king Ahab and the prophet of Baals down to their knees.

Enchantments, divinations and incantations have been rained into the heavens and are glued there. We need to dismantle them.

Deborah that we read about addressed the stars to her own advantage. Joshua spoke to the sun and stopped it from giving its light for a whole day.

HOW TO FIGHT FROM THE HEAVENS

Now, how do you fight from the heavens?

ENSURE THAT THERE IS NO KNOWN SIN IN YOUR LIFE. No matter how minute you think it is. If you too want to enter into ultimate power and break off these five sources of local wicked powers, repent from all known sins, including the sin of "playing church".

I had a friend who was ordained a priest. Anytime he was giving communion to people, he would be touching the ladies, right in front of the altar. He was touching them at sensitive places. One day, as he sat in his house, the spirit of God came to him and said, "Son, you will go to hell fire with your priesthood. So you had better go and get born-again. If not, you will go to hell fire. Examine yourself now. You call your self a priest, yet you are trying to date the women you are supposed to protect."

He now went on his knees and cried unto God. And the Lord said, "Leave this place." He resigned. If he had continued staying in that church, he would have kept committing sin and this would have led him to hell fire, with the devil pulling him by the cassock.

You need to repent, whether you call yourself or people call you an elder. Some of us are so proud to write our titles before our names: 'Deacon' and 'Deaconess' as if it was a title.

If you fall into any of these, you need to repent.

GO INTO FASTING. Life is now becoming very interesting for some people. We see people from what we call the upper and the bourgeois classes going into dry fast, and you from the lower class eating when you are supposed to be fasting. It would appear that the prophecy of our Lord Jesus Christ is coming to pass; that from him that says he does not have, even the little that he has shall be taken away from him and be given to him who already has. If the rich man is now observing dry fast and you the poor are trying to get away from it, then God will take away from you, the little you have.

Someone who needs the ultimate power would have to fast. There is no other way. The disciples of Jesus Christ prayed that a demon should leave, but the demon did not go. Where Jesus came, they said. "Lord why is it that we could not drive out this demon." Jesus answered and said, "This kind goeth not out except by prayer and fasting."

Some demons would not go unless you add fasting to your prayers. So, when you steal food to eat while you are supposed to fast, you are deceiving yourself.

UNDERSTAND THAT GOD CAN USE THE WORDS OF YOUR MOUTH TO CONTROL THE HEAVENS. You need to understand this, because you may feel you cannot do it. You can do it. You never know what you can do until you try.

Look at Isaiah 51:16:

And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou *art* my people.

So, through your words, God says, He can plant the heavens and put that word into your mouth. You must therefore understand that God can use the words of your mouth to control the heavens.

TERMINATE THE MARRIAGE COVENANT BETWEEN THE SORCERERS, THE ENCHANTERS, THE DIVINERS, THE MAGICIANS AND THE WITCHES. These groups of people have formed a covenant with the heavens: "O heavens, when I call on you to harm somebody, you must listen." It is now your turn to go and say, "Any covenant between you and this witch, I first of all terminate it, I break your contract." Once you do this, they are already in trouble. By the time you make a list of all the herbalists and then break their covenants with their source of power, they will become powerless.

We had a very powerful crusade in Akure many years ago. There were lots of herbalists in the streets where the church was located. As the revival progressed, their businesses folded up one after the other. But there was one who happened to be their leader. He was called Oranjebe. If anybody came forward to give a testimony, he or she would always say, "Praise the Lord! When I first had this problem I visited the herbalist called Oranjebe, but he could not solve it. Now I brought it here and God solved it."

People who came to give testimonies would not fail to mention the evil role this the herbalist called Oranjebe played in inflating their problems. Everyday, as long as the crusade lasted, he heard his name on the loud speaker being mentioned by anyone that gave a testimony. Soon, he too folded up and ran away. His source of power had been cut off.

Some women who were unfortunate to marry occultic men would notice that the men totally hate prayers. Why? Because those prayers render their charms ineffective. So, the kind of work that prayer does is still not completely understood by men. These evil men would always lay the fault of their impotent charms on their hard-praying wives.

I had a very troublesome friend in those days. I would like to share some of the troubles he made. One day, he entered a bus, had his bag under his armpit and started to preach: "Everybody in this bus, I greet you good morning, in the mighty name of our Lord Jesus. I am sure you all woke up well. Glory to God. I have come here to advertise the most powerful charm in the world; in fact, that charm is right under my armpit. This charm would cure madness, poverty and so on.

This brother kept talking and those people who wanted to alight from the bus could not. What is inside this bag, they wondered? And he went on and on, and by the time the bus was approaching its last stop, he put his hand in the bag under his armpit and brought out a Bible. Oh God they hissed, and said. "idiot! mad man!"

This man was a trouble maker for Jesus. He would visit magician stands to observe what they were doing, and say, "I trample upon all that you have said, in the name of Jesus. It will not function." These magicians would try and try, but nothing would happen. At this stage, they would now turn to their spectators and start pointing at people with grey hair to leave the venue. They believed it was those men and women with grey hair that disturbed their magical powers from functioning. Unknown to them, the trouble-maker was just a young man who had cancelled all their incantations and rendered them useless, in the name of Jesus Christ.

USE THE BLOOD OF JESUS TO WIPE OFF THEIR HAND WRITING PROGRAMMED INTO THE HEAVENLIES AGAINST YOU.

With these, beloved, you can close down the shop of any herbalist in your town or community; you can enter into a witchcraft meeting while in your room and scatter the meeting.

RETRENCH ALL THE SATANIC PRIESTS THAT ARE MINISTERING INCANTATIONS TO THE SUN, THE MOON AND THE

STARS. I have used the word 'retrench' just in case you do not like the expression of 'fall down and die' or you do not want to say 'be roasted'. Retrench them, just take the job away from them. The important thing is that they are no longer available to minister their incantations.

PRAY AND RETRIEVE ALL YOUR PROPERTY DEDICATED TO THE HEAVENLIES. There are banks containing organs in the heavenlies.

A young man noticed that he was impotent and visited a prophetess who was around 52, while he was around 26. This prophetess said, "No problem, the potency of your organ is in the heavenlies." And truly, the prophetess went into this bank and brought it out because it was one of their members that took it there in the first place.

The aim of this man was to bolt away as soon as his potency was restored. In fact, he bolted away and the woman went back to the place and withdrew the organ, and in addition his kidney, and now planted tuberculosis in him.

INSTRUCT THE HEAVENLIES NOT TO GIVE ANY REPLY TO THE PROGRAMMING OF SATANIC AGENTS.

COMMAND THAT THE WILL AND PURPOSES OF GOD FOR YOUR LIFE WILL BE PROGRAMMED INTO THE HEAVENLIES.

Beloved, this is how to fight from the heavenlies. All those evil sentences that have been spoken against us, together with the evil power house and consultants must be dealt with by no other person than you yourself.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Every incantation issued into the heavenlies against me, go back to your sender, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every contract between my household wickedness and the heavenlies, be terminated by the blood of Jesus.
3. (Point to the heavenlies) Every satanic agent working against my life, I disconnect your source of power, in the name of Jesus.
4. Every evil thing programmed against me in the heavelies, I dismantle

you by fire, in the name of Jesus.

5. The sun shall not smite me by day nor the moon by night, in the name of Jesus.
6. O Lord, arise, and let every power manipulating my destiny scatter in the name of Jesus.
7. Let every weapon and evil design against me fall totally, in the name of Jesus.
8. I reject premature death, in the name of Jesus.
9. I reject nightmares and sudden destruction, in the name of Jesus.
10. I reject dryness in my walk with God, in Jesus' name.
11. I reject financial debt, in the name of Jesus.
12. I reject lack and famine in my life, in Jesus' name.
13. I reject physical and spiritual accident in my going in and coming out, in the name of Jesus.
14. I reject sickness in my spirit, soul and body, in the name of Jesus.
15. I stand against every work of evil in my life, in the name of Jesus.
16. I overcome powerlessness, confusion and every attack of the enemy, in the name of Jesus.
17. I command spiritual divorce between me and every power of darkness, in the name of Jesus.
18. Let every poison and arrows of the enemy be neutralized, in the name of Jesus.
19. I break every yoke of unfruitfulness in my life, in the name of Jesus.
20. I bind every spirit of slumber, in the name of Jesus.
21. Let all the eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood stumble and fall, in the name of Jesus.
22. Let all stubborn pursuers begin to pursue themselves, in the name of Jesus.
23. I unseat every power sitting on my promotion, in the name of Jesus.
24. I bind every spirit of fear, in the name of Jesus.
25. I break every curse brought upon me by my parents, in the name of Jesus.

26. I command devourers to vanish from my labours, in the name of Jesus.
27. You evil strongman, release my goods in your hand, in the name of Jesus.
28. Lord Jesus, touch me with Your hands of deliverance.
29. Lord Jesus, touch me with Your hands of promotion.
30. Let all flesh eaters assigned against my life stumble and fall whenever they want to carry out their operation, in Jesus' name.
31. Let all my blessings that the enemy have swallowed be vomited now, in Jesus' name.
32. The good things that are at the point of death in my life, receive life now, in the name of Jesus.
33. Begin to prophesy unto your problems, in the name of Jesus.
34. All the pregnancies of the devil upon my life, be aborted, in the name of Jesus.
35. I command all the hands that cover my blessings to be lifted, in the name of Jesus.
36. I command the eggs laid by the enemy against my life to break before hatching, in the name of Jesus.
37. O Lord, clothe me with untouchable fire.
38. O Lord, make me Your battle axe.
39. O Lord, reveal to me the secrets of all the strangers hiding in my life.
40. All anti-progressive forces, I summon you together and I issue the judgement of the fire of God upon you, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER TWELVE

OH HEAVEN, FIGHT FOR ME

A woman called Deborah understood something which we present day believers do not understand. In fact, many ignorant people -ignorant pastors, ushers and prophets - are daily filling the benches when we need to wake up and fight this disease called ignorance. It is a terrible disease indeed that made God say, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." Lack of knowledge is Ignorance. The Bible says that the children of darkness are wiser in their own dark ways than we, the children of light.

Beloved, there are many things we do not know, and there are many things we do not understand. Each time I read Judges chapter 5, I wonder why this kind of thing is not happening to fight our wars today.

Let us look at verses 19-23:

The kings came *and* fought, then fought the kings of Canaan in Taansh by the waters of Megiddo; they took no gain of money. ²⁰They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera. ²¹The river of Kishon swept them away, that ancient river, the river Kishon. O my soul, thou hast trodden down strength. ²²Then were the horsehoofs broken by the means of the pransings, the pransings of their mighty ones. ²³Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the LORD, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the LORD, to the help of the LORD against the mighty.

Many kings came to fight against Israel. But river Kishon swept them away because the stars decided to get involved in the battle to assist Deborah the prophetess. That the river abandoned its normal course, flowed into the battlefield and swept people away was something extra-ordinary.

Verse 23 says an angel got involved: "Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they come not to the

help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

This chapter records a lot of things that happened to Sisera, the captain of the host fighting the enemy.

Somehow Sisera got confused at the war-front; ran to the land of Israel, entered the room of a woman of Israel and asked her for water. The woman not only gave him water to drink but also milk and butter served in a king's dish, which he ate to his satisfaction and thereafter slept off. Then the woman got a nail and hammer, and hammered the nail right through his skull. The almighty Sisera was now disgraced and killed by a woman who was not even a warrior. Why? Because the stars in their courses fought against him.

In the 1950s and 1960s, one could afford to go to church and only sing and witches might be shaking. But now, it is witches who sing best. For those who still sing, "Glory be to the Father," it is fine, but nothing will happen until they learn to pray it; because the Psalmist prayed it and things happened.

Very strange things are happening today. For example, in the last two months, I have had to pray for six people who were kidnapped and the Lord released them from the kidnappers. One of them was a girl. She went for an examination at Our Lady of Apostles Secondary School, Yaba, Lagos, finished it, and crossed over to the other side of the road, and was accosted by a man who wanted her to read out for him an address written on a sheet of paper. That was all this girl could remember when somebody woke her up in a dilapidated building in far away Badagry.

I prayed for another person who said she saw human breasts and other organs littered the floor where she was taken. She said there was also blood all over the place. As they started scraping her pubic hair, she recovered from slumber and began to call the name of Jesus. They were agitated and warned her to stop calling the name of Jesus. She continued and there was pandemonium. During this melee she escaped and ran for her life, naked, and bursted upon a petrol station in Ore, between Edo and Delta States of Nigeria. The petrol attendants first ran off thinking that she was an insane person. Then she explained herself, and was given clothes and money to return to Lagos.

A medical doctor had a scan and x-ray machines that were wrecked within 14 days. No single person came to ask this man what he was doing with those machines. And these were the same machines someone else had installed at Tejuosho, and people queued up daily to get examined.

One day somebody gave this doctor the prayer points from one of our Power Must Change Hands programme. He started praying them at night and suddenly his three daughters came and made confessions. They said, "Daddy, now that you are praying the correct prayers, we came to tell you that we are the ones responsible for all the problems that have befallen you. It was the house-help you brought to live with us that gave us that spirit of witchcraft.

This man became worried and took the three daughters to a church where they were camped for seven days. At the end of the seven days they went back home. On reaching home, they went to their father and said, "Daddy, thank you very much for taking us to that church. Before we got there, we had only one bird each, but in that church we were each given two additional birds."

The Yorubas have a proverb, which says that when a child gets to the place of fear, he will become afraid; he will forget that he has a university degree.

Later, the doctor took his three daughters to yet another church. They came back and said, "Daddy, the place is so beautiful. In fact, before we got there, we never had serpents in our hands, but now, we have been given one serpent each. It was at this stage that somebody brought the man to Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries. People are using us as fire brigades.

The stars fought against Sisera. According to Genesis 1:14-18, God put two heavenly bodies where they are, to govern the day and the night. Whether you are old or young, you depend on the sun. If it is permanently night because the sun refuses to give its light, our calendar will change too.

The book of Job was the first book of the Bible to be written and was written 650 years before the birth of Moses.

Chapter 9, verse 9 gives the names of some stars.

Which maketh Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the

south.

Chapter 38, verses 31-33 also gives some names.

Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion? ³²Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons? ³³Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?

These names were known to men of those days but we now know very little or nothing about them. The only knowledge we have about stars is astrology. But astrology is a corruption of what God intended these heavenly bodies to be. And because astrologers cherish this knowledge, many believers are afraid to learn a little bit about what the Bible says about the stars. And we do this to our disadvantage.

If the stars assisted Deborah in her warfare and fought against Sisera then there is nothing wrong if they fight for you today.

Psalm 147:4: He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by *their* names.

The above passage confirms that stars have names and God knows them by their respective names, and He calls them by these names.

Genesis 37:5-9: And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told *it* his brethren: and they hated him yet the more. ⁶And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed: ⁷For, behold, we *were* binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf. ⁸And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words. ⁹And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

The above passage records the dreams of Joseph. Now, if you have never read the Bible, and somebody comes to tell you that he had that kind of dream, would you be able to interpret it? No. You would not know that he

was referring to human beings as stars, that his father and mother were stars.

Amos 5:8: *Seek him* that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and tumeth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD is his name:

The passage above again mentions the name of a star, Orion; and Isaiah 40:26:

Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these *things*, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that he *is* strong in power; not one falleth.

God knows them by their names and has numbered them.

Jeremiah 33:25: Thus saith the LORD; If my covenant be not with day and night, *and if* I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth;

Also the above passage tells us that God has a covenant with day and night.

2 Kings 23:5: And he put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets, and to all the host of heaven.

The children of darkness understood those things that the children of light do not understand. They understood the powers in the heavenlies which we do not understand.

Ephes. 2:2: Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

When Adam fell, the devil took over as the prince of the power of the air. Any arrow he fires at you is carried by the air; that is why he is the prince of the power of the air. That is why it does not matter where a person runs to, once he or she is being pursued by the prince of the air, the person will eventually be reached and knocked down. If you are pursued from a very

remote village here in Nigeria, and you run to Scandinavia, you will eventually be tracked down by the prince of the power of the air, as long as you do not have the fire of God in you.

IMPORTANT FACTS

From all the Scriptures we have read so far, I want to bring out the following facts:

Every living being has a star. This is why it is possible for people with powers of darkness to locate the star of a person. This was seen in the case of Joseph and his brethren. Therefore, a person's star can be located and thrown down or made to wander about. That is Why the Bible tells us about wandering stars. People who lose their senses, their stars have been attacked.

Job who was a contemporary of Moses mentioned stars and ordinances of heaven. It means that he knew about them and how they could work for him. That was why God asked Job why he was complaining. God asked him, "Have you ever commanded the day or the night?"

If you know the secrets of the powers in the heavens and the secrets of the hosts of heaven, witchcraft will not operate against you. Yes, if you know the secrets of what the Bible calls the heavenly hosts, no power of the enemy will ever war against you. Because right there in the heavenlies, they can see everybody; they see and know what you are up to. Let this be In your mind.

The early men had sophisticated knowledge about spiritual warfare that modern men do not have. The stars in their courses fought Sisera. When they started fighting, the rivers began to react, angels began to curse and the enemy began to make mistakes.

Satan is struggling hard to prevent us from knowing and understanding what goes on about us. The Psalmist understood it. That was why he said, "The heavens declare the glory of God."

Satan is struggling very hard to prevent us from understanding the sun, the moon, and the stars. There must be something about them that makes the

enemy to struggle so hard.

The sun, the moon and the stars control existence. It is they that determine your age, life, the food you eat and what happens in the rivers. They are called the 'Triangular Powers'.

These heavenly hosts can speak because they have mouths and voices. The heavens declare the glory of God. And because they can speak, it is important for us to know what they are saying.

The children of darkness have learnt how to use the heavenly hosts, especially the stars, against us. They have perfected the method to use the stars against us.

All evil prophets and herbalists consult the stars once they need to pick an information about someone. When they are consulted, they gaze through a bucket full of water and summon a person who does not have enough fire and do him any havoc they want.

Some do not use water. Their weapon is the mirror. That is why, at Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries, we have a prayer point that says, "All evil mirrors, break." Some evil men have mirrors in their bedrooms which sometimes their wives may not know about, and from the surface of the mirrors, they pick information about people. So, do not be surprised if you meet somebody who tells you everything about your life, and he is perfectly right. Once some people hear such information, they begin to shiver and are completely taken in. Such people are finished.

Rich herbalists usually have crystal balls, through which they collect information. When they are gazing at the crystal balls, they are looking into the heavenlies, expecting the heavenly hosts to reveal to them what is happening here on earth. They gaze at them to receive information and once they do, from the same spot, they plant their arrows. This is why some mad people may never be well again because their madness is from heaven.

Close your eyes and pray like thus:

Every power, calling my name from the mirror, die, in the name of Jesus.

If an item is stolen somewhere and all the suspects deny the theft and are

taken to a herbalist, the herbalist can bring a bowl of water, speak some incantations and ask the water to show the face of the thief. If the person who stole has knowledge of the stars, he can manipulate his own face not to appear in the water, and make the face of an innocent person without fire to appear. And he will be called a thief even though he did not steal anything.

A man who thought he was very intelligent met sister A and spoke to her. After some time, another sister more beautiful came to that church. Suddenly the revelation changed. God now said it was the new sister, and the man started courting her while sister A began to pray. While this was going on, the third sister came, who was even more beautiful than the second one. The revelation again changed that it was this one. And eventually, that was the one the man decided to marry.

He now travelled with her to her hometown to ask for her hand in marriage. Her father said there was no problem adding: "Infact, we do not collect dowry and we will not request for anything. Young man, you are very lucky. She is all yours. However, there is one condition: Take this mirror and keep it under your bed. That is all."

The man asked, "What is the mirror for?" and he got no answer. At the end, this foolish brother took the mirror, brought it to Lagos and put it under his bed. He did not tell this to anyone, not even his pastor. Eventually he wedded this sister and trouble started. Every night, he ran about in the cemetery until the cock crows. Despite all the happenings, he still did not tell his pastor about the mirror under his bed. He was emaciating by the day, because through this mirror, they were taking him to the cemetery every night and using him for spiritual hard labour.

Many people are undergoing spiritual hard labour. Once they sleep it is battle; they become slaves until they wake up.

This man's situation went on and on, until he could no longer bear it. Then he raised an alarm. From the day he brought this mirror to church, he never saw his wife again. He went to her hometown but could not locate her address. He started moving about like a mad man. Anytime you say, "Brother John", he would say, "Mirror." May God help us.

For men who believe they are fast, such fastness will only bring them confusion later in life. For example, if you travel overseas, many of the white men herbalists have crystal balls. There are confused white men just as there are confused black men.

You must understand your environment to be able to control it

One of the most important factors of life is light. When there was darkness on the face of the deep, the first thing that God called into place was light. "And God said, let there be light, and there was light." The enemy can manipulate the kind of light that shines on a person. He can decide whether light shines on a person or not. So, people, who after losing a particular thing, would say, "Ah, I do not know why, it seems my star is not shining today", are only issuing serious curses upon themselves.

The wind carries whatsoever is deposited in the star against you. This is why we believers must know how to talk to the wind.

The enemy can conjure a star, give it the name of a person and cast it down. Once this is done against a person, it is either his glory is buried or he dies.

There is something called astral travel. Some people go out of their physical bodies and visit the stars. Some do not go themselves, they send their incantations into the star. By this act, they have destroyed so many lives.

When I was in the university, I had a close mate who did not study his books, while we were all busy with ours. He always told us that it was better to study books under water. And we never understood, even those of us who called ourselves Scripture Union members in those days, whereas this is already written in the Bible. This boy never studied his books. He always told us he read his own under water. And he was doing well academically. He was passing his examinations without sweat.

But one day, during one of his astral travels, he encountered a more wicked and stronger household wickedness that trapped his spirit outside his body, and did not allow it to go back to its abode. For one week he remained in coma, and when he came back to life he had lost his senses. He no longer knew or remembered a single thing of all we had been taught.

Some send incantations to the star and use it to control somebody's life. That is why it is dangerous to read any literature on astrology. They programme curses into people's lives just to pollute the mighty things that God wants to use a person for. Everything in the stars is talking about Jesus, but satanic powers have manipulated them.

The stars can be manipulated by herbalists to ruin people's lives. This is why some people suddenly lose their memory because it has been programmed from the stars.

The heavenly bodies are all meant to do us good, but evil powers are using them against us. When you see a problem that is harassing a person only at nights, then the stars and the moon have been programmed against such a person.

We must now learn to take our warfare to the stars. You must take your high position as it is written in Ephesians chapter 2:6:

And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus:

If you do not take your position, they will control you, and once they do, there is problem.

Sorcerers. Those who practice sorcery carry out their war in the air where the devil reigns. Therefore, beloved, something must be wrong with our own spiritual warfare which prevents the heavenlies from fighting for us.

Today, you must learn how to break the enchantments and ordinances of satanists in the heavenlies through prayer, and purge out their influences from your life. We have to learn how to release the blood of Jesus Into the heavenly places to wipe out what has been planted against us there.

Why am I saying all these? People's destinies are attached to their stars, and once an evil man learns how to control the life of a person he will control it for ever.

HOW TO MAKE THE STARS TO FIGHT FOR YOU

How do we now make the stars to fight for us? It is very simple. ***The first thing which you already know is that it is possible.*** If you know this, you will know how to use the stars to fight for you and witches and wizards will find it impossible to hold you.

Joshua spoke to the sun. He commanded the sun to stand still until he was through with the enemies of Israel, and the sun obeyed him.

Ensure that there is no willful sin in your life.

Learn the kind of prayer that will take your warfare to the stars. Therefore, it is right if you pray like this: "O Lord, if anything has been programmed against my life in Acturus, Orion, Pleiades, and Mazzaroth, I deprogramme it now." This is not a strange prayer, it is in the Bible.

Again, if a person prays like this, "Let the stars begin to fight for me, in a particular situation," the person is not praying a wrong prayer.

The only thing is this: if you are going to ask the heavenlies to get involved in your warfare, you must become a complete fool for God.

I remember when I visited in Warri in Delta state, they interpreted a Bible passage in pidgin English this way: "De people way dey travel for the road, even though they be mumu, dem no go make mistake." (Read Isaiah 35:8.)

God is looking for fools. People who would obey Him to the letter, without any reservation. You, go, come and sit only at His command. This is the kind of person who will have the kind of mouth that controls the stars. But if you are going to answer back to anyone who insults you, you cannot call the stars to fight for you. You have forgotten that the Bible says that you shall keep your peace. Be a fool for God and let Him do the fighting. But immediately you begin to fight for yourself, you can no longer call the stars to fight for you.

Now, you know what it means when somebody says, Orion, Mazzaroth, Pleiades and Acturus. All these names are being used against us by our enemies. They plant arrows in them, and use them against us. And if you do not know what to do, they finish you up.

If a person has been made a wandering star, he would not be able to make

any progress in life. He may have wasted 25 years of his life doing the wrong job.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Let the blood of Jesus demarcate me from my enemies, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every rod of affliction from the heavenlies, break, in the name of Jesus.
3. You stars, release your arrows on every evil bird flying for my sake, in the name of Jesus.
4. I command the stars to do me good, in the name of Jesus.
5. Every deposit of my enemies in the stars, be vomited, in the name of Jesus.
6. I cancel the works of my enemies in the stars, in the name of Jesus.
7. You wind, carry your afflictions back to the sender, in the name of Jesus.
8. I command the stars into war, O God, arise and let the stars fight for me, in the name of Jesus.
9. Every evil star that followed my father, go back from following -me, in the name of Jesus.
10. Lord Jesus, I invite You to be Lord over every department of my life.
11. Father Lord, I confess my sins and ask that You will forgive and cleanse me, in the name of Jesus.
12. I forgive all those who have hurt or offended me, in the name of Jesus.
13. I claim my freedom from the consequences of all curses, in the name of Jesus.
14. I claim my freedom from the consequences of evil pronouncements, in the name of Jesus.
15. I claim my freedom from the consequences of hereditary diseases, in the name of Jesus.
16. I claim my freedom from the consequences of attitude problems, in the name of Jesus.

17. I claim my freedom from the consequences of idolatry, in the name of Jesus.
18. I claim my freedom from the consequences of sins and misfortunes, in the name of Jesus.
19. Let no evil power trouble me any more, in the name of Jesus.
20. Every demonic transference into the affairs of my life, be broken in the name of Jesus.
21. Every demonic communication into the affairs of my life, be broken, in the name of Jesus.
22. Every demonic resistance to my prayers, be broken, in the name of Jesus.
23. Every demonic reinforcement against my life, be broken, in the name of Jesus.
24. Let the power of God be released into my body now in Jesus' name.
25. Let the power of God be released upon my body from the crown of my head to the sole of my feet, in the name of Jesus.
26. Let every afflicting force be consumed by fire, in the name of Jesus.
27. Evil strangers, come out of your hiding place in any area of my life, in the name of Jesus.
28. I cast out the spirit of evil inheritance, in the name of Jesus.
29. I stand against every addictive desire in my life, in the name of Jesus.
30. Let the healing power of God flow into every damaged part of my body, in the name of Jesus.
31. I release the creative miracle of God into every department of my life, in the name of Jesus.
32. O Lord, begin to restore me to full abundant life.
33. Lord Jesus, set me free from any negative thing that came against me before I was born, in the name of Jesus.
34. Lord Jesus, use Your blood to clean all my spiritual wounds.
35. From now on, I bulldoze my way into supernatural breakthroughs in every department of my life, in the name of Jesus.
36. I render all evil attacks against my potentials and destiny impotent, in

the name of Jesus.

37. I command every evil maintenance officer on assignment in my life to stumble and fall, in the name of Jesus.
38. I revoke every satanic decree upon that which God has purposed to make me great, in the name of Jesus.
39. I revoke every satanic decree upon my life, in the name of Jesus.
40. Every satanic limitation and restriction upon my life, be broken now, in the name of Jesus.

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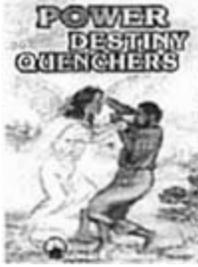


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