

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
NOVEMBER 01

31] Theme: THE INVASION OF CHRISTIANITY

📖 Text: Acts 8:5-25, 1 John 2:18-19

Memory Verse: “And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles’ hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money” Acts 8:18

📖 Hymn 101: WHEN I SURVEY THE CROSS

MESSAGE:

After the restoration of the gifts of the Holy Ghost at the Azusa Street revival, there were mighty miracles, signs and wonders. Many genuine servants, ministers of God were demonstrating the genuine power of the Holy Ghost in fulfillment of Acts 1:8, “*ye shall receive power after the Holy Ghost is come upon you*”. As a result of many notable healing, deliverance, and sign and wonders which were taking place in the church, many that were oppressed, afflicted and having one problem or the other were no longer visiting sorcerers, magicians and native doctors.

When the sorcerers realized what was happening, that the genuine ministers of God were spoiling their business and their patronage was reducing, they changed tactics. They also went to look for power so that whoever they lay hand on, will also receive a spirit and fall under anointing so that they could remain in business and continue to be seen as individuals with “**superpowers**”.

Brethren just as it was in the times of the Apostles so it is today in the Church of Jesus Christ. Christianity has been invaded by the likes of Simeon the sorcerer who operated in Samaria and the powers that some or many ministers: Pastors, Apostles, Prophets, Reverend Doctors, Bishops and so on are using were bought from strange places. This is one of the reasons, Christ said in **MATTHEW 7:22-23**, “**Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you; depart from me, ye that work iniquity.**”

Those who invaded Christianity have changed their signboard from Simeon the sorcerer to Prophet Doctor Simon. They are called and some even call themselves anointed servants of God but the anointing they are operating by was bought from somewhere while some were genuinely called but they have tampered with the original that was

given to them by God all just to achieve some selfish purpose. Therefore, child of God, in as much as those with genuine call of God who have not departed from the pathway of righteousness still exist, still be very careful who you allow to lay hands on you. You that have a genuine call but you have derailed, return the property of the devil to the devil and come back to Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

👹♀1: Oh God! I pray for myself and for genuine seeds and ministers of God, who are snared by their lust please save us all from our lust.

👹♀2: Oh God, do not allow me to move from frying pan to fire in the search for solution to unpleasant circumstances happening around me.

👹♀3: Lord Jesus, I know there are many anti-Christ's out there and that there are still genuine servants of yours, help me to discern which is which as I journey from earth to glory.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 02

📖 **Theme:** DOERS OF GOD'S WILL

📖 **Text:** John 15:1-11

Memory Verse: "Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth". John 9:31

📖 **Hymn 29:** I AM RESOLVED

MESSAGE:

Our actions and inactions point clearly to us whether we are doers of God's will or not. Have you been acting in line with the perfect will of God? Have you been playing with any form of strange fire that can burn you?


Adam made a wicked judgment when he hearkened to the way of his wife, instead of judging the situation according to the Word of God; he chose to follow his affection for his wife and thus plunged mankind into sin and curses.


If we do not abide in Jesus, if we choose to live according to the wickedness of our Adamic hearts, life on earth will be without peace for us and all we do will end up as nothing at the last count. For vanity upon vanity; all is vanity. Remember Adam's circumstance.

Similarly, the prince of this world came to Jesus with all manner of temptations (**Hebrews 4:15**) but his response was the same – his judgment was righteous – his response was from the word of God. His response for everything was “Thus saith the LORD”. And by so doing he redeemed mankind, won our salvation, and gave us life and blessings. Oh, Halleluyah!

Beloved, where the first Adam fell, the second Adam (Jesus Christ) excelled. That is our comfort. Now know this that there is no peace for anyone whose life and actions are not rooted in the word of God because being a doer of God's will is the secret to a prosperous life. (**3 John 1:2**). It is the secret to living a holy and godly life. It is the secret to being fruitful. (**John 15:5**). It is the secret to living in peace (**Isaiah 26:3**). It is the secret to being heard by God (**John 9:31**). We get to know God's will through his word so be a doer of the will of God by studying and obeying God's word from this day henceforth.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! I pray for absolute faith in you. Do not allow me to turn to the left or to the right.

 ♀2: Oh God, deliver me from the spirit that constantly makes me to be disobedient to your word and will for my life. Break its yoke over my life.

 ♀3: Lord Jesus, make me more like you.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 03

 **Theme:** THE WICKED

 **Text:** Joshua 7

Memory Verse: "And God saw the wickedness of man was great in the earth and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually". Genesis 6:5

📖 Hymn 28: FILL MY WAY WITH LOVE

MESSAGE:

The picture we have when we hear the word, “wicked” often times is someone who does unreasonable things. Someone who acts unjustly but beloved I want to open your eyes to a new dimension of wickedness, the same way it is written in the scripture.

What is God’s definition of wickedness?

Wickedness is everything, good or bad, that is done outside of God’s perfect will. It is everything we do from the inspiration of the self, the world or the devil. It is any judgment made outside the word of God. It is any action we do that does not glorify God.

The sons of God getting married was a good thing but getting married outside of God’s will as they got married to the daughters of men and this was burn out of imagination of the thoughts of their hearts. This produced wickedness.

The 7 sons of Sceva, in Acts 19:11-16, wanted the same power and testimony as that of the ministry of Apostle Paul. They went to minister with wickedness in their heart as they neither had received the Holy Ghost nor His power. They wanted to add Jesus’ power to their power. “This power is the new one; let us get it so customers will increase” they might have said but brethren little did they know that they were alone in this endeavour. They realized this when 7 of them were beaten and wounded by just one possessed man. If they had brought deliverance to the man that would have been a good thing but the imagination of the thoughts of their hearts was evil – this qualified them for the tag “wicked”. Before God, the end does not always justify the means.

Many look at Achan in Joshua Chapter 7 from the bad aspect but what made Achan’s action bad/wicked was because His good intention to have clothing and some material acquisition was outside of God’s will. Now at several occasions, you may have called ACHAN that wicked man but truth be told that many of us today fall under the same category as Achan and the people of Genesis 6:5.

Check yourself with these questions: What are the imaginations of the thoughts of my heart? What is the motive behind my action? Why am I still keeping what I know God has warned me severally that I should throw away or cut off from?

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏 ♀1: Oh God! Forgive me for being wicked and living my life according to my lustful desires.

🙏 ♀2: Oh God, deliver me from the spirit of wickedness that constantly makes me to be disobedient to your word and will for my life. Break its yoke over my life.

**THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
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31 Theme: THE UNRIGHTEOUS DECREE (Part 1)

📖 Text: Isaiah 10:1-3; Rom 2:1-11

Memory Verse: "Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees, and that write grievousness which they have prescribed" Isaiah 10:1

📖 Hymn 190: WATCHING YOU

MESSAGE:

If you, as a servant of God or a child of God, tell a wicked man/woman that he/she should go and prosper, it is an unrighteous decree. If you decree and tell a fornicator it is well with him/her, it is an unrighteous decree and the Bible says woe to you making that decree. An unrighteous decree is to tell a sinner that he/she is saved, when there is no fruit of repentance.


Isaiah Chapter 10 from verse 2 says, **“To turn aside the needy from judgment, and to take away the right from the poor of my people, that widows may be their prey, and that they may rob the fatherless!”** Have you been pushing aside the people who run to you for help? And worst is to do so with the intention of taking advantage of that widow or fatherless person. Ha! Brother! Ha! Sister! There is an all-seeing eye that is watching you. Are you turning them away from the judgment that will make their hearts prick? There is an all-seeing eye watching you.


An unrighteous decree is usually very pleasing to the flesh. It is usually what the world will advise you to do. When someone hurts you; it is natural to the unconverted man to want to hurt back. If someone dishonors you, you want to dishonor them back. It sounds


within your ear as the right thing to do but who is speaking? Who is giving you the decree to carry out? Who is in charge of your life? What voice is speaking to you?

It is an unrighteous decree as long as it is going against the word of God even if it seems like the right thing you feel like doing at that point in time. Child of God! Do not listen to that voice. Do not listen to that unrighteous decree

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Please silence the strange voice in me that keeps pushing me to speak and act in ways that are contrary to Christ Jesus – the way.

 ♀2: Forgive me Lord Jesus Christ for abusing the post, power, resources that you gave me and using them to trap the weak and the innocent to do my dirty biddings.

 ♀3: Oh Lord Jesus Christ, make me more like you.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 05

 **31 Theme:** THE UNRIGHTEOUS DECREE (Part 2)

 **Text:** Numbers 22-24

Memory Verse: "And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed." Numbers 22:12

 **Hymn 193:** THE UNVEILED CHRIST

MESSAGE:


That man you suspect is an evil man in your hometown, what kind of prayers are you praying concerning him? What about that woman that spoke a harsh word to you in anger all those years ago, is that not why you now call her a witch? You have written their names and taken them to several prayer houses. Yes, they are sinners, but are you without sin? Do you now, O sinner saved by grace, have the right to judge and condemn and take away life without considering God's stand on your desired action and its consequences? **(John 8:7)** Our Lord and Master Jesus Christ commanded us to bless and pray for those that persecute us. **(Matthew 5:44).**

Child of God! Know when your anger is turning to wrath for yes you can be angry but do not allow it to cause you to sin against God. Be sensitive enough to know when your prayers and decrees over certain situations are unrighteous decrees channeled by you just to fulfill your own selfish desires and lust. God will never answer such a decree and he will never bless it. If He allows it then it is by His permissive will and judgment is hanging over you because the goal of an unrighteous decree is to make an individual become what God has not permitted them to be.

Brethren, an unrighteous decree will only leave you open to the anger of the righteous God. Search yourself; are you in the habit of making unrighteous decrees? Repent! Because God will judge ALL flesh according to their deeds. **(Ezekiel 18:30-32)**. Is God the one leading you or you are the ones trying to force God into doing your own selfish bidding just to satisfy your own lust when God actually has better plans concerning the matter you are trying to force Him to handle NOW?

Sincerely ask yourself why has that man or woman not died yet, despite all the “die by fire” prayers, are you sure you are not following the trail of Balaam and Balak? Balaam and Balak tried it through prayers and it didn’t work and then they tried through first re-orientating the Israelites to act like other nations that were living foolishly in sexual sin and though judgment came on Israel yet the latter end of Balaam and Balak was pitiable.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Help me to look upon all mankind with love and not hatred.

 ♀2: Spirit of the Living God, lead me even when I pray. I do not want to pray amiss.

 ♀3: Oh Lord Jesus Christ, make me more like you.

**THE BRIDE’S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
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 **Theme:** GROWING IN FAITH

 **Text:** Hebrews 11

Memory Verse: “But without faith, it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.”
Hebrews 11:6

 **Hymn 19:** LET’S TALK ABOUT JESUS

MESSAGE:

Everywhere you go somebody is talking about faith. What is Faith? Is it power? Is it knowledge? Is it a gift? Is it an anointing? What is Faith? Why is it so important? How can I get it?

Beloved, our text from Hebrews chapter 11 and verse 1 tells us the popular definition of Faith. But if the Holy Ghost does not open your eyes to see that having Faith can also mean having revelation (in-depth understanding) of Christ Jesus, beloved you will continue running from prayer house, mountain and from a man of God to a woman of God looking for what/who God has given freely to you.

Jesus, the son of God is the Christ, the anointed One. He is the wisdom and power of God (**1 Corinthians 1:24**). By Him were all things created. By Him, we receive the gift of God to men (**Romans 6:23**). It is by him that we move, live, and have our being. He is the manifestation of the Godhead bodily. He is the road to the Father. He is the one and only beloved son. He is the one in whom the Father is well pleased.


And without Faith, without the revelation of who this Christ Jesus is, we cannot please God. Dear Believer, don't you see that life on earth will be miserable without Jesus Christ?

I know you have been in church all these years, I know you have fasted, you have prayed yet it seems hopeless. But beloved take encouragement in the knowledge that Faith, the revelation of who Christ Jesus is, cometh by hearing, and hearing the word of God. (**Romans 10:17**). "By hearing and hearing" means it is a continuously process. Child of God! Grow in faith!


Open your heart. Make up your mind. Cut out the numerous distractions of this world that so easily beset us. Get away with Jesus. Open your bible and study His word. Meditate on it day and night (**Joshua 1:8**) and you will prosper, you will come alive, you will become a spring of living waters just as the numerous testimonies of Hebrews 11

Child of God! Grow in faith!

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Enlighten my eyes of understanding. Reveal yourself to me.

 ♀2: Lord Jesus Christ, help me to grow in faith (the revelation of who you are).

 ♀3: Holy Spirit, teach me to listen and take heed to your word.

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31 **Theme:** LISTEN TO GOD'S VOICE

Text: Hebrews 1:1-3

Memory Verse: "Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;" Hebrews 1:2

Hymn 239: JESUS I HAVE PROMISED

MESSAGE:

Every human being that God created was created in His image and in His likeness. We are first and foremost spiritual beings before we became physical beings and there is something that is in us that makes every human being a spiritual entity. There's something about you as a human being that lets you communicate with the great Eternal Spirit, He is not a man therefore He does not relate to us the way man will relate to man, He relates to us from the spirit and He has various means of contacting us and talking with us and dealing with us.

He could talk to us through a voice, but He can also talk to us through the means that English people call "intuition" or "inspiration", you are just where you are and a certain feeling comes upon you and you just begin to sense something out of the ordinary, for example, you sense danger around, and suddenly something bad happens to confirm that feeling or intuition to be right.

The human who is still a slave to sin and living with a limited level of communication with God often find him thinking that the level in which he operate is higher than God because he knows no better so man can stand and look at God and think and even say that he is higher than God, he is wiser than God, he is better than God, you see, and that is why the whole world is in the condition of decay.

Brethren just like little Samuel, we must learn to listen and then listen to God's voice. **Hebrew 1:1-2** lets us know God speaks, He spoke to those of the Old Testament and He is still speaking to us who are New Testament saints but are we really listening to God as He speaks to us through Jesus Christ – The Word of God.

Child of God! No danger comes your way without God informing you in advance but because the heart of man has been swayed; there is no more conscience. That is why we must put off the old man and become a new creature. For when we become new creatures in Christ Jesus by having his Spirit dwelling in us, we then abide in Him and Him in us

and experience communication with God at a level that science and technology can only dream of.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏 ♀1: Oh God! Open my ears to hear you and to listen to you.

🙏 ♀2: Holy Spirit, make me sensitive to your daily leading.

**THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
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📖 **Theme:** ARE YOU IN LOVE WITH YOUR CHAINS?

📖 **Text:** John 3:16-17

Memory Verse: "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" Mark 8:36

📖 **Hymn 381:** AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN

MESSAGE:

Death and destruction are coming to this world. Brethren open your eyes and see the opportunity to escape. Do not get so in love with the ropes of the bondage of this world and miss your salvation.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son; a way of escape, He provided a way of escape, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life". John 3:16

A death sentence has been passed on all inhabitants of the earth, **"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God"** (Romans 5:23). Man lives in spiritual slavery, though amassing a lot of things that are of great value here on earth yet still in chains.

And yes! The same message we are preaching now, Noah preached it for about a hundred and twenty years, they didn't take him seriously, and to the gentiles, this same message has been on for almost two thousand years, the same message.

Beloved we in this Laodicea Church age might not have as long as 120 years as we draw closer to the end time so break free from your chains, run to the cross today. Renounce worldliness and embrace the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus.

So if your question is, “how do I end this love affair with these chains of lust, greed, fornication, adultery, and lasciviousness, and so on?” Jesus is the way to end it, Jesus is the truth that can set you free and Jesus is the life you need in you to replace this sinful and erroneous life that has held you bound all this while and He has given this assurance in Matthew 11:28 **“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest”**.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏 ♀1: Lord Jesus Christ set me free from the chains, yokes and bondages I have found pleasure in.

🙏 ♀2: Holy Spirit, guide me and keep me focused on you.

THE BRIDE’S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 09

📖 **Theme:** ARMED BY THE WORD

📖 **Text:** Ephesians 6:11-19

Memory Verse: “Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.” Ephesians 6:11

📖 **Hymn 420:** LORD KEEP US STEDFAST IN YOUR WORD

MESSAGE:

We live right at the very end of the Gentile dispensation and these are very trying times. In 2 Peter 2 from verses 1 to 3, Peter pointed out circumstances in his time which we still face today and in Matthew 24 Jesus warned, **“Beware of false prophets.”** He also said, **“For false Christs shall arise”**. Christ means the anointed One. So false Christs mean false anointed one but the Bride of Jesus Christ cannot be deceived. Halleluyah!

In order to protect ourselves, it is important that we constantly study the Word of God with the help of the Holy Spirit so that we are armed with the right knowledge to take on any false prophet or teacher who may want to make merchandise of us, and we must pray for the Spirit of discernment to be able to avoid such when they come our way. Now getting armed by the word of God activates our armoury and equips us.

Thus **Ephesians 6:11-19** says,

“¹¹ Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

¹² For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

¹³ Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

¹⁴ Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;


¹⁵ And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;


¹⁶ Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

¹⁷ And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

¹⁸ Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;”

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Holy Spirit, help me to be armed by the word of God.

 ♀2: Holy Spirit, teach me all I need to know and understand that I may be able to stand and withstand in the evil day.

THE BRIDE’S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

NOVEMBER 10

31 Theme: HAVE YOU FORSAKEN THE WAY OF TRUTH?

📖 Text: 2 Peter 2:10-19

Memory Verse: “Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness”. 2 Peter 2:15

📖 Hymn 420: LORD KEEP US STEDFAST IN YOUR WORD

MESSAGE:

In the church of Jesus Christ, there are only two ways; the way of truth and the way of error. Every Christian on this eternal journey is traveling through either one of these ways and each person’s lifestyle determines which way the person is on.

The way of truth entails living a life totally subject to the Holy Ghost and His word and this is demonstrated in words, in thoughts and actions. It involves being sensitive to the voice of the Holy Spirit, ready to obey Him whenever He gives instruction, and also live a life pleasing unto Him.

Usually, when we say that a person has forsaken the way of truth, it doesn’t just happen suddenly; there is usually a slow and steady decline which culminates in a person going astray. **2 Peter 2:10-19** gives a picture of people who have fully departed from the way of truth and are fully sold out to the way of error. **From verse 10**, we can see just how far gone such people are:

¹⁰But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.

Apostle Peter was really angry while writing these verses as his emotions can be clearly felt through the next verses:

¹²But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

¹³And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots they are and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you;

¹⁴Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:

¹⁵Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;”

It is important we continually watch and pray so that we don't end up like this. A Christian who follows the way of truth is deeply rooted and grounded in the Word of God and has an anchor that can never be moved, such a person knows who Jesus Christ truly is and as such, his Christian faith is built upon this. Child of God, have you forsaken the way of truth?

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏 ♀1: Oh God! Open my eyes to your truth and keep me in line with your truth.

🙏 ♀2: Save me Lord Jesus Christ from lust. Keep me from forsaken the way of truth.

**THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
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31 Theme: DANGERS OF FORSAKING THE WAY OF TRUTH

📖 Text: Jude 1:11-19

Memory Verse: "Woe unto them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core".
Jude 1:11

📖 Hymn 268: COURAGE BROTHER

MESSAGE:

In the calendar of God's plan of salvation for the Gentiles, we are currently at the tail-end of His plan. Any time from now, the door of salvation will close and there will be no more opportunity for repentance and restoration back to God.

Now, the moment you start walking according to the dictates of your heart while giving ear to seducing spirits and false doctrines which are designed to take you away from the simplicity which is the Gospel of Jesus Christ, you begin to forsake the way of truth.

A major danger of forsaking the way of truth is that that person is likely to go in the way of Balaam as seen in 2 Peter 2:15:

¹⁵“Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;”


When a person is said to have gone the way of Balaam, it means that such a person has chosen financial or material gain over obeying the Word of God, such a person will only have his heart set on acquiring worldly things. It is such people who are false prophets and have no problems lowering the bar of the Gospel of Christ so that their gain will never be hindered. They are the ones who say “it doesn’t matter, you can come as you like to God. He only judges the heart and not the outward appearance”.

Another major danger of forsaking the right way is that such a person is also likely to go the way of Cain. What is the way of Cain you may ask? It’s Deviance! Jude 1:11 gives us a picture of what this means:


“Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core”.

Deviance was a major characteristic of Cain; he had nothing in him to repent when God confronted him with his sin. The moment a person gets to a point where he doesn’t see anything wrong with his sin or the life he is living, even when presented with the truth, such a person has crossed the line of no return and it will only take the mercy of God to restore such a one back to the way of truth. However, there is an extreme in which God then hands over the person to a spirit of delusion to make you believe a lie that will lead to your destruction and I do not pray that any of us should get to that point. This is why a constant evaluation of a person’s spiritual estate and an honest decision to continually be in the perfect will of God by the help of the Holy Spirit will help a person to keep from departing the way of truth.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Help me to always love truth. Fill me with your Spirit.

 ♀2: Save me Lord Jesus Christ from the way of error.

 ♀3: Let me not go in way of Cain, or run greedily after the error of Balaam for reward.

THE BRIDE’S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 12

 **Theme:** THE GIFTS & CALLING OF GOD

 **Text:** Romans 11:29

Memory Verse: “Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell among them.” Psalm 68:18

Hymn 361: AN EVENING PRAYER

MESSAGE:

As a Christian brother or sister, you are a representative of Jesus Christ, especially when you have a spiritual gift and when people see you, the expectation that they have is that when they see you, they see Jesus Christ; when they hear you talk, they hear Jesus Christ speaking; when they interact with you, it is Jesus Christ they are interacting with; but imagine their shock, when they come closer and they meet something totally different.

Your life preaches louder than your sermons, if you are in the business of using your gifts for personal profit, repent and ask God for mercy. You are a false Christ; you only have the anointing but not the nature of Christ. You are a rebellious individual. If not why will you use the gift that God gave you and make merchandise of it and even swindle people?


Elisha refused to receive that gift from Naaman, the Syrian general. Why? Because that was an unbeliever who instead of giving glory to God, was coming to pay the prophet for the miracle he received and a true prophet of God will discern that. Same Elisha had a time he went to a poor woman, a widow, and collected all she had and he ate it and there was a blessing of abundance released unto for her and her family in a time of scarcity.


Psalm 68:18 helps us to understand this better:

¹⁸“Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell among them.”

Thus, it is clear that the gifts and calling of God are without repentance and they are given for these purposes; to point people to He who gave you the gifts, and also as a proof that God is real and all power comes from Him, so that no one will doubt the existence and power of God. So stop using the gifts and calling of God to rebel against God by living a riotous life and turning the people away from God.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Thank you for your gift and calling upon my life.

 ♀2: Lord Jesus, guide me to use the gifts you have given me to draw men unto you.

 ♀3: Lord, forgive my rebellious acts. Keep me in you.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
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31 **Theme:** ARE YOU A TRUE INTERCESSOR?

Text: James 5:16

Memory Verse: “And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.” Ezekiel 22:30

Hymn 28: FILL MY WAY WITH LOVE

MESSAGE:

An intercessor is anyone with a burden or a ministry to stand in the gap in prayers and fasting for another person or cause or a group of people or causes. A major characteristic of an intercessor is the selfless nature of their prayers, whenever they get a burden to pray for someone, they leave everything behind and focus on interceding for that person until that burden is lifted, and then they can go about their normal activities.

A true intercessor never seeks material or monetary gain when praying for others; their joy is to see their prayers answered in the lives of the people they pray about secretly. Most times he or she goes to a secluded place to wait upon the Lord concerning that person's problem and the person being prayed for won't even know most times that someone is praying for them. James 5:16 gives us better insight into this:

¹⁶“Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.”

Every true intercessor always gets their problems solved in amazing ways by God for He that do the king's bidding will certainly get the king's reward. I know a sister who had this sincere burden to stand in the gap for situations that I had on several times told her to pray for people, and she will even voluntarily enter into fasting to the extent that I sometimes become afraid for her. Interestingly, there was this particular case she handled to the extent the person called me and paid in one million naira into my account that I should give the sister. The day I handed over the money to her and told her that so-so person you prayed for sent one million naira to me that I should give you. That sister fell down in my office. She had never had up to a hundred thousand in her account prior to that day and she was genuinely not expecting such a favour.

Brethren remember **Job 42:10** as an example that we should emulate:

¹⁰“And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.”

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏♀1: Oh God! Help me to see through your eyes of love and to sincerely stand in the gap and prayerfully bring situations in subjections to your perfect will.

🙏♀2: Lord Jesus, make me a true intercessor at all times.

**THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
NOVEMBER 14**

31 Theme: INIQUITY

📖 Text: Psalm 51, Matthew 7:21-23

Memory Verse: "Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth" 1 Corinthians 13:6

📖 Hymn 310: OH NO HAD I KNOWN

MESSAGE:

Matthew 7:21-23 gives an exposition on the workers of iniquity:

²¹"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

²²Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

²³And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity".

What is iniquity? By your actions, the way you have carried about the ministry, if you have made or turned the people to be idolaters, that is iniquity. Instead of giving glory to God, they are giving glory to you – a man. You are making them become idolaters. You have made them become worldly. You know that the fashions of this world are enmity with God, God hates worldliness but here you are, you are teaching them that "it doesn't matter". You know in the Scripture that it matters but because of what you want to achieve you say, "it doesn't matter you can dress anyhow". You have committed iniquity because you have turned the people to be worldly Christians.

William Branham in one of his sermons summarized the meaning of iniquity to mean knowing the right thing to do and refusing to do it. But more importantly, iniquity is the sin that you commit and causes other people also to be involved in that sin or to get involved in any form of sin – that is iniquity.

Abraham committed iniquity when He told Abimelech that Sarah was his sister which made the king immediately take her to be his wife because she was very pretty. Now, if he had slept with that woman as his wife that night, he would have been guilty of sleeping with another man's wife and that would have earned him death from God. Iniquity has a touch of twistedness and that it worked out and you escaped this time should not be a ground to continue. Child of God! Do not rejoice in iniquity.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

👁️ ♀1: Oh God! Forgive me for my iniquity and help me to make amendments where I can make necessary amendments.

👁️ ♀2: Lord Jesus, protect me from all workers of iniquity who are out to knowingly or unknowingly influence me into sin.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 15

31 **Theme:** FREELY YOU RECEIVED, FREELY GIVE

📖 **Text:** Matthew 10:7-8

Memory Verse: "Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give". Matthew 10:8

📖 **Hymn 476: COUNT ON ME**

MESSAGE:

Salvation was paid for by the Lord Jesus Christ, but given to us freely. Also the gifts and anointing given to those who are born again were given freely, none of us deserve it, neither do we have the means to repay Him for that great sacrifice and for all the gifts and benefits we enjoy from Him. Now that this has been established, it is as a result of this that Jesus instructed that since we have received these things from Him freely, that we should also give them freely.

There's a great problem which is seen among certain brethren who are gifted in one or the other in the body of Christ, as they use their gifts and anointing for personal profit. Some of them believe that this anointing is a meal ticket for them – a quick means to get rich, and they go about using those gifts and the anointing without regard for the One who gave it to them. It is people like this that open 'stomach ministries' or 'man must chop ministries' or you can say they carry out fraudulent and deceitful activities under the guise of being godly individuals and they are also the ones who will require an access fee for a consultation with them, they will also have no issues selling anointing oil, anointed water, anointed handkerchiefs, etc. And some are gifted with more wealth than others and use their riches and wealth as a means to devour the simple and have carnal knowledge of those they help.

Child of God! Remember the admonishment of Jesus Christ in **Matthew 10:7-8,**

⁷**“And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.**

⁸**Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give”**

Oh, Glory! Halleluyah! Freely you have received, freely give. Amen.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏 ♀1: Oh God! Forgive me for abusing & misusing all that you have freely given to me.

🙏 ♀2: Lord Jesus, keep me pointing the people to you as I freely offer help to them.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

NOVEMBER 16

31 **Theme:** REMEMBER BALAAM'S WAY

Text: Numbers 22-25, Jude 1:11

Memory Verse: “Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;” 2 Peter 2:15

Hymn 482: LORD, FOR TOMORROW AND ITS NEEDS

MESSAGE:

What exactly was Balaam's offense some may ask? Balaam was asked by Balak the king of Moab to curse the children of Israel for monetary gain, material gain, and an exalted

position in his kingdom. Balaam knew better because He knew that the children of Israel were blessed people but he was blinded by the rewards of divination offered by Balak and still made attempts to curse them.

Even when God warned him not to go and curse them, He still kept asking God whether he should go or not. He saw an angel with a drawn sword who was ready to kill him, instead of his sense to tell him to go back; he still went forward to meet Balak in Moab. When he later discovered that the children of Israel could not be cursed, he revealed to Balak what to do to cause God to be angry with the children of Israel as seen in **Revelation 2:14,**


¹⁴“But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.”

The error of Balaam, the way of Balaam; that is what Demas was guilty of and many more ‘Demases’ are around even in the churches today. The same spirit caught up with Gehazi who should have taken over the mantle of the prophetic from Elisha who lived with a double portion of the anointing on Elijah but what did Gehazi get instead of a double portion of anointing from Elisha? He got Leprosy.


Receiving anything in the gimmicks of Gehazi just so as to get earthly gain will result in leprosy. What of Balaam? If you see the way Balaam died in the Bible you will run away from that kind of greedy spirit. As a pastor over God’s sheep or as a brother or sister, gifted or not gifted, anytime you use your authority or gift(s) for personal gain, you are going in the way of Balaam and you should remember how much God hates the way of Balaam. God hated it so much that even in the last books of the bible – the book of Revelation and several books before it, God kept hitting on how much He hated it.

Beloved in Christ Jesus, don’t get on God’s bad side!

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Save me from the way of Balaam, Gehazi, and Demas.

 ♀2: Lord Jesus, do not allow me to derail from your light.

 ♀3: Please Lord Jesus Christ, May my story not, become a negative example to my generation and generation yet unborn. Change me, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
NOVEMBER 17

31 Theme: THE TEN VIRGINS

Text: Mathew 25:1-14

Memory Verse: "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh". Matthew 25:13

Hymn 198: HE'S COMING SOON

MESSAGE:

The parable of the ten virgins that the Lord Himself gave is a condition of the Church and it will be a condition that the Church will be in just before He will come. The first sentence there says, "**Then shall the kingdom of Heaven be likened unto ten virgins.**" Then – future – He was referring to a particular time frame and we who are living at this end-time are under this time. How do I know? Because He said that they (the ten virgins) took their lamps and went forth to meet their Bridegroom. It means that they were in expectation of the bridegroom and who is the bridegroom? The Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

The lamps that the ten virgins were carrying is symbolic of the Word of God, as seen in **Psalms 119:105: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."** And the oil that they carried which was supposed to make the lamps burn is symbolized by the Holy Ghost Who gives revelation and who reveals the mysteries encoded in the Word of God. Without the Holy Ghost, anytime a person reads the Scriptures, he will only be seeing the text and nothing more. But with the help of the Holy Spirit, the text will be illuminated and the person will understand the Scriptures the way the Author (God) intended. Most importantly, the mystery of salvation will be revealed to the person who has the Holy Ghost and he will always see the deeper meaning in the Scriptures anytime he studies.

There is a spiritual marriage that is going on between Christ and His Bride and this union is going on in the Word of God. Christ is revealing Himself to His Bride, revealing mysteries that only the bride understands and none of the concubines have inkling about; and these mysteries are part of what makes the five wise virgins (the bride) wise. Now, the emphasis is that five were wise and five were foolish, which means there are two groups of Christians; one group is wise, the other group is foolish. What is the difference between the two of them? One had the lamp, the lamp there is the Word of God – the Bible, as it is written, but there was not enough oil, not enough depth of revelation and what is the lamp to you when there is no oil to keep it burning? But the other one, they were wise. What makes them wise is that they ensured they had enough oil which is the Holy Ghost that gives revelation.

Get the Holy Ghost before the time comes for just like the ten virgins, we do not when He will appear to take us home.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

👩♀1: Oh God! Fill me with so much of your Spirit and let my cup overflow.

👩♀2: Oh God! Fill me with so much of your revelation. Let me never run dry in knowing you.

👩♀3: Please Lord Jesus Christ, open my eyes of understanding to the mysteries in your word. Keep me from being a foolish virgin.

**THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
NOVEMBER 18**

📅 **Theme:** TRIM YOUR LAMP

📖 **Text:** Mathew 25:1-14

Memory Verse: “Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps”. Matthew 25:7

📖 **Hymn 323: GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP**

MESSAGE:

The Christian faith is a mystery, Apostle Paul in Ephesians chapter 5 spoke about the husband and wife and then he said this is a great mystery, but that he is speaking about Christ and His church. The marriage between Christ and His Bride is a mystery and anything that is mysterious, you will need an unveiling.

We are past religion; we have gone into revelation. The time has come now as we approach the coming of the Lord that you will be so revealed now; enough to confront the antichrist. You need enough oil for your lamp to keep shining and that oil I'm speaking about is the Holy Ghost. A person who reads the Bible can never understand it without the help of the Holy Ghost as the contents of the Scripture are highly coded and it is only the Author of it who can decode it to you. This is why the Holy Ghost is the Encoder and the Decoder of the Scriptures. A person who has no deeper revelation of the Scriptures as provided by the Holy Ghost will only read the Bible on a surface level and this will only lead to spiritual death as seen in **2 Corinthians 3:6:**


6“Who also hath made us able ministers of the New Testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.” {giveth life: or, quickeneth}

There are certain parts of the Scriptures that pertain to salvation, and it is only with the help of the Holy Ghost that a person can see those Scriptures and apply them to one's life. The book of Genesis, Daniel and Revelation are some of the highly coded books of the Bible with lots of mysteries embedded in them. Most people avoid reading such Scriptures and the few who even go near them are not able to understand them because they do not have the oil (the Holy Spirit) which gives revelation to the reader. The difference between the wise and the foolish virgins in our day and age is the revelation that each group has and what they do with that revelation, hence the differences we see today between the bride and the denominations. The Oil (revelation by the Spirit of God) is needed for the rapture, keep asking the Lord Jesus Christ for more of it. Keep trimming your lamp.


In the darkest of times in the church, the lamp was put on through the revelation the Spirit of God gave to Martin Luther and He cried out that message before the Church that the just shall by faith as from thenceforth the lamp burns and the length of time exposes who is who. Who is with the Word and the Revelatory Knowledge of the Spirit of God unto them and who isn't?

Child of God! Trim your lamp!

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Give me oil in my lamp and keep me burning for you.

 ♀2: Holy Spirit, Grant me intimacy with you.

 ♀3: Holy Spirit, teach me to see beyond the letter. Give me life through your word.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 19

31 **Theme:** STAY WITH THE WORD

Text: 2 Timothy 4:3-4, Galatians 1:6-9

Memory Verse: “As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed”. Galatians 1:9

Hymn 52: HE BROUGHT ME OUT


MESSAGE:


When you go to some churches and compare what they do with what you read in the Bible, it makes you wonder if that place is really the church of God or something. In some places, all that you see is just ceremony or prophesy or miracle, signs and wonders for the greatest portion of the service. Such churches barely devote anytime to the study and the preaching of the Word of God, and this shows in the activities that are carried out in such churches. It is in such churches that you see women pastors, women uncovering their hair, comedians at the altar, all sorts of bazaars and jamboree in what is supposed to be the church of the living God and this is all in a bid to attract people to their church. Unfortunately, such churches only attract crowds but have nothing to feed such people spiritually and as such have to keep using such attractions to try to keep them.

The Word of God is the center focus of true Church of Jesus Christ. The Word of God is God Himself among us. A church that devotes time to the sharing of the Word of God will have members who are grounded in the Scriptures and will not be easily deceived when every wind of doctrine comes blowing. A church that is centered around the Word of God will not be prone to error, but will rather equip its members to be better disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ and seasoned warriors of Christ who will effectively point others to Him and help them growing in their walk with Him.

Churches that don't have the word of God are without the presence of God, God Himself dries up the anointing from among them and what you have is a group of people simulating the presence of God with lights, music and all sorts of beautiful man-made ideas to keep the people entertained, but ultimately God is not there and such a church is nothing but a wide expressway to Hell. Is your life as a church of the Lord Jesus Christ staying on the word of God or have you wandered after other things?

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Help me to stay with your word at all times.

 ♀2: Holy Spirit, restore me in my walk with you. Set me free from distraction that has stolen my attention from the word of God.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 20

31 **Theme:** THE SEAT OF MOSES

📖 Text: Matthew 23:1-5

Memory Verse: “Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples, Saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat:” Matthew 23:1-2

📖 Hymn 305: STAND UP, STAND UP FOR JESUS

MESSAGE:

Most Christians today are just like the Pharisees and Sadducees who sit in Moses’ seat, they are highly theological but lack the anointing to back up the Word. Jesus Christ in Matthew 23 spoke about such people from verse 1, He said:

¹“Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples,

²Saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses’ seat:

³All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, that observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not.

⁴For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men’s shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers.

⁵But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments,”

What does it mean to sit in Moses’ seat? To sit on the seat of Moses is to tell you that they have the interpretation of the law that God gave Moses. Moses passed it over to them. So, when they speak, they are telling you, “I’m speaking what Moses said in the law”. Everything they do is for show-off. They act not out of the meekness that God found in Moses. They act out of arrogance produced by too much knowledge without revelatory knowledge that comes via the Spirit of God.

Do you know that many believers are just like the Pharisees and Sadducees as they have placed themselves in high grounds far above all others with dos and don’ts that clearly show the spirit of legality is in charge of their affairs and the spirit of revelation is missing in their judgment and affairs?

Sitting on Moses’ seat is also putting on self-righteousness and we know that that is nothing before God but a filthy rag. Child of God come into grace. Come to Jesus, Come and have rest.

Enough of carrying yourself higher than you should! Enough of trying to look down on others. Remember that we are all nothing without God. So come down from your high horse, oh Child of God! Let your “yes” be “yes” and your “no” be “no”.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

👩♀1: Oh God! Take pride away from me and from your ministers.

👩♀2: Holy Spirit, revive me once again.

👩♀3: Holy Spirit, teach me to stand for Jesus Christ at all times.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 21

31 **Theme:** THE SUPERNATURAL (Part 1)

Text: Matthew 11:1-19

Memory Verse: “For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.” 2 Timothy 1:7

Hymn 365: IN CHRIST ALONE

MESSAGE:

Elijah was a prophet who was used mightily by God to show forth His power and to liberate Israel from its idolatrous ways in the Old Testament. Elijah was a man who had a no-nonsense anointing and it was evident in his ministry as a great example of it was in the Mount Carmel showdown where he confronted the prophets of Baal and called down fire from heaven in order to show them who was serving the real God. Today we rarely see men of God or even believers with the kind of zeal and anointing that Elijah had.

John came in the likeness of Elijah and while he was preaching. Herod, the ruler at the time, entered with his regalia with another man's wife – his brother's wife. He collected his brother's wife and was going about and none of the Pharisees and the scribes challenged him but John did even though it later cost him his head. Yet Jesus spoke of John in comparison to we the New Testament saints in this manner;

“Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.” Matthew 11:11

For about Four hundred years in Israel there was no prophet, so imagine how Israel was. Anything about the supernatural was gone; they knew nothing other than a religious formality. God wanted to introduce grace; God wanted to turn the corner in His plan for the redemption of mankind. He reserved one hundred and twenty people. Even before the one hundred and twenty people, each time God wants to cause an attraction, He will dry up certain areas so that when He manifests, everybody will know this is God. What was it

that attracted people on the day of Pentecost? It was the supernatural and it has come into us through Christ Jesus.

Now you can act on the promises of God's words in Mark 16:15-19.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

👩‍🙏 ♀1: Oh God! Cause me to experience the supernatural daily.

👩‍🙏 ♀2: Holy Spirit, guide me to teach and to act your words in truth and in spirit.

👩‍🙏 ♀3: Oh God! Make me a living testimony of your reality.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 22

📖 **Theme:** THE SUPERNATURAL (Part 2)

📖 **Text:** Mark 16:15-19

Memory Verse: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7

📖 **Hymn 366: I'D RATHER HAVE JESUS**

MESSAGE:

Understanding that we as believers are called to live the life of the supernatural as seen in **Mark 16:15-19**, now go ahead and put everything right and stick to the word for just as people spoke against John and even spoke against Jesus so it is that people will speak against you whether you live in the natural or in the supernatural so why not choose the supernatural and live above the ordinary. Jesus had this to say about his and John's experience while living here on earth and we see it in **Matthew 11:16-19**

¹⁶ But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows,

¹⁷ And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented.

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil.


¹⁹ The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children.


Why do you want to waste your time in distractions instead of focusing on sustaining your supernatural experience? Stick to the word and act on it. Choose to live the Christ-like kind of life for Jesus is ever interested in making you more like Him. Then you understand the statement of Jesus in **Luke 10:19-20** to the 70 just after one of their testimony sessions of living in the supernatural, which says,

¹⁹ Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

²⁰ Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Keep me hungry and thirsty for more of you.

 ♀2: Holy Spirit, guide me in the path of righteousness.

 ♀3: Oh God! Keep me from falling prey to distractions.

**THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
NOVEMBER 23**

 **Theme:** THE SUPERNATURAL (Part 3)

 **Text:** Acts 5

Memory Verse: “Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men. “John 5:29

 **Hymn 306: THE ORIGINAL LIFE**

MESSAGE:

Jesus living in the supernatural would not compromise the Word and the same happened to the apostles and early church even at the cost of their lives. Do you know what it means to stand before somebody who can kill you if you say what he does not want you to say? But Jesus still said it. The apostles still said it and at one point the apostles even replied the Old Testament Church Leaders of their time as recorded in John 5:29,

“Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.”

The Supernatural experience of the believer in Christ did not end with the ministry of William Branham. It did not end with the 1906 Azusa Street Pentecostal Revival. Hallelujah! It is God in His agenda. It is Christ in you the hope of glory. Praise God!

It is best to state it again that in living in the supernatural which comes through having the Holy Spirit dwelling in you and having a constant relationship with Him, this in no way cancels out the need to be prepared for persecution, trials, temptations and so on. If Jesus Christ could be tempted of the devil while He was on the earth and even after 40 days and nights fasting and prayer and he had to combat it with the word and yet the scriptures record that the devil left him but for a little while then we must be ready for our own challenges.

Apostle Paul gave a record of challenges he faced while living in the supernatural as we see **Romans 8:35-39**,

³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

³⁶ As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

³⁷ Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

³⁸ For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

³⁹ **Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Then He added in **Romans 8:37**, “**Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.**” Oh, Halleluyah! Praise God!

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

👩♀1: Oh God! Grant me victory over the various life challenges confronting me.

👩♀2: Oh God! Help me to obey you in totality at all times.

THE BRIDE’S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

NOVEMBER 24

📖 **Theme:** FILL MY CUP LORD

📖 **Text:** Psalm 68:18

Memory Verse: “Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell among them.” Psalm 68:18

📖 **Hymn 292:** FILL MY CUP LORD

MESSAGE:

Child of God, The grave danger of having anointing and not sticking to the word of God is that you tend to have a larger possibility of becoming rebellious to the ways of God while still supposedly believing in God and falling for the lie of the devil that since the gift is unhindered or not affected while you live in sin that means you are still a child of God and you can live your life doing all kind of things even when they are against God’s perfect will and plan. So the question is, “Why will God give anointing to one who is rebellious? We see the answer in **Psalm 68:18**,

“¹⁸ Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell among them.”

The anointing is the grace received to do exploit. The anointing is the gift or talent that makes room for you and even places you before nobles and not just mere men but the

Anointer is the giver and sustainer of the anointing and the anointer in you is your seal unto the day of redemption.

It is one thing to have the anointing from God and not have the anointer (God) dwelling in you and it is another thing to have the anointing from God and the anointer (God) dwelling in you. God doesn't impose on you the fruit that you ought to bear – the character for all to see. No! That's going to be a product of your pruning; a product of your constant meditation on the word of God and the more you nourish the Spirit, the more you yield the fruit of the Spirit and experience increase in the anointing. So how do we know a true Christian in the midst of anointing people, the scripture rightly says in **Matthew 7:20, “Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them”**.

Therefore, I admonish you that you must be very careful and stick to the word of God closely so as not to fall off the track of righteousness. Continue in prayers and fasting and constantly remind God that you want him in you. You want more of Him because it is possible to have the anointing and the anointer and I pray God gives you both He (the Anointer) and His Anointing.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

👩♀1: Oh God! Give me you (the anointer) and your anointing.

👩♀2: Oh Holy Spirit! Keep me hungry and thirsty for the word of God

👩♀3: Oh Holy Spirit! Keep me from becoming rebellious to your leadership.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 25

31 **Theme:** JUDGE RIGHTEOUSLY (Part 1)

📖 **Text:** Matthew 7:1-5

Memory Verse: “Judge not, that ye be not judged”. Matthew 7:1

📖 **Hymn 284: WHERE WILL YOU SPEND ETERNITY?**

MESSAGE:

Many a time Christians refuse to take a stand and condemn actions they know are wrong and rather watch things go wrong because of their misinterpretation of **Matthew Chapter 7 verses 1 to 5:**

“¹Judge not, that ye be not judged

²For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.

³And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

⁴Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam [is] in thine own eye? – he said –

⁵Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.”

A good study of this scripture does not imply that we should not judge but rather the scriptures admonish us against acting hypocritically. These scriptures align with the common proverb that says “those who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones”. This proverb is used to remind people not to criticize others for a flaw that they themselves are guilty of. And this is what these scriptures are warning us against. It is not telling us to abdicate our responsibility of judging matters. How can we perform our duties as ambassadors of heaven if we don't judge?

So when I speak against what is wrong and someone else counts it as me judging and refers me to **Matthew 7:1**, “**Judge not, that ye be not judged**” this scripture is simply saying that I must not be guilty of what I am speaking against (judging). Child of God! Are you guilty or not guilty of the things you have been correcting other people of?


Apostle Paul had this to say in **Romans 2:21-23**


²¹“Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal?

²²Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit sacrilege?

²³Thou that makest thy boast of the law, through breaking the law dishonourest thou God?”

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Make me free from the sin that easily besets me.

 ♀2: Oh God! Help me to become a worthy ambassador of your kingdom.

 ♀3: Oh God! Keep me from falling prey to distractions.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE
NOVEMBER 26

31 Theme: JUDGE RIGHTEOUSLY (Part 2)

Text: Matthew 7:1-5, John 8:1-11

Memory Verse: “But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man”. 1 Corinthians 2: 15

Hymn 281: WHO IS ON THE LORD’S SIDE?

MESSAGE:

Matthew Chapter 7 verses 1 to 5:

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⁵Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother’s eye.”

For the fear of a backlash for speaking the truth and fear of being exposed to their own sins, many believers have become toothless bulldogs. No wonder Jesus had to point out the need for everyone to ensure they are first not guilty of what they want to judge others of.

This was demonstrated so well in the situation of the woman caught in the very act of adultery as Jesus said to them all, “He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her”. Jesus judged the matter but each left one after the other. Why did they leave? They left because they had not removed and dealt with their own sin first but they were out to judge another.

Jesus by asking them that question became an example unto us of who a Christian is – We are advocates and judges that show forth God’s righteousness and not our own righteousness because our righteousness is nothing but a filthy rag before God. Thus, Christ Jesus could boldly say to her, “Go and sin no more!” Halleluyah! Sin had no hold on him. **(John 8:3-11)**

Now think of it that if you were in Jesus’ position at that time, what would have happened? Would the people have left you without pointing a finger or someone would have listed things against you that would have shut you up? Child of God, in Christ we

live no longer under the bondage of sin so it is time you start standing firm on the reality that God has given us and this is possible through knowing the truth. **(John 8:32)**

Beloved in Christ, there is a cry in the land for righteous judges and advocates who will cause righteousness to reign in the church, in the home, amidst families, at the workplace, and so on. Are you a righteous judge? Have you been judging righteously? Have you dealt with that besetting sin? Judge yourself righteously in other words judge by God's right standard and not your own standard.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏♀1: Oh God! Make me spiritual.

🙏♀2: Oh God! Please guide me to cut off the hold of sin over me.

🙏♀3: Oh God! I need your strength. Strengthen me.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 27

📖 **Theme:** JUDGE RIGHTEOUSLY (Part 3)

📖 **Text:** Genesis 19, 1 Corinthians 2:12-16

Memory Verse: "But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man". 1 Corinthians 2:15

📖 **Hymn 302: THIS WORLD IS NOT MY HOME**

MESSAGE:

A lot of believers are living life like Lot with so much evil happening all around him, he was vexed in his soul but hardly ever spoke to the people concerning their sins. Lot types the kind of Christians of the 21st century who hardly speak against the evil that is clearly evil and worst-case scenario is one that is proven beyond reasonable doubt and yet you keep shut because you do not want to be seen as an enemy – an enemy of whom, God or man? **(Jeremiah 17:5)**

Destruction is coming and you must speak out. See what is happening on social media which mirrors a lot of the kind of individuals and reasoning the world and our immediate society is made of. Evil is evil. What is wrong is wrong but the feedback you get is "Judge not!" and worst still is when those pushing this "Judge not!" ideology are supposedly Christians.

God still frowns at all forms of sexual sins and just as He hates sodomy in the time of Lot, He still hates sodomy today. Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed with fire and fire is coming to cleanse this earth or else God will have to rise up Sodom and Gomorrah and apologize to them.


Are you judging righteously? Are you standing with God against the rebellion that is going on in our time or you are neither here nor there? You say you judge righteously by believing the word of God but what is your action saying? Remember that action is said to speak louder than words.


Do you tolerate indecency around you? Do you live life in the manner of as long as it doesn't affect me directly, then it is none of my business? Well, the truth is that it is not everybody that can judge matters in the body of Christ. The only one qualified to judge a matter is the one who is spiritual.

Our Lord Jesus Christ in **Matthew 21:12-13** got to the temple and met the moneychangers and sellers of doves buying and selling in the temple. He should have left them alone and said, "Judge not..." Jesus did the opposite. He cast out all of them and overthrew their tables.

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

 ♀1: Oh God! Help me to be blameless.

 ♀2: Oh God! Grant me the wisdom to speak out and stand for the truth in ways that will yield your desired expectation of me.

 ♀3: Oh God! Take over my actions and let them exemplify true Christianity at all times.

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NOVEMBER 28

31 **Theme:** JUDGE RIGHTEOUSLY (Part 4)

Text: Numbers 25:1-15, 1 Corinthians 6:1-8

Memory Verse: "Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? And if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge smallest matters? Know ye not that we shall judge angels? How much more things that pertain to this life? 1 Corinthians 6: 2-3

Hymn 305: STAND UP, STAND UP FOR JESUS

MESSAGE:

Israel had sinned and God had commanded that all who had sinned should be killed and at the time of obeying God's word, a young man – an Israeli prince - came into the camp with a strange woman – a Midianitish princess - and went to have “fun” with her in his tent but there was a Phinehas who judged righteously. (**Numbers 25:1-15**) Oh, Halleluyah! He struck both of them to the ground with a spear while they laid on each other and God counted it for righteousness unto him and even blessed him. Are you withholding your own sword? Mind you that this was a matter within the households of Israel and Phinehas did not wait for Moses' order, He judged righteously. In your unit in Church, in your family, in that office project have you been judging matters righteously, or are you among those who ignore and behave as if it is none of their concern?

For many years, a lot of believers have been living life with the thought that the attribute of being blameless is solely for ministers of God especially Pastors or those who desire to be ministers of God. (**1 Timothy 3**) This is not so because it is not only the ministers of God that will judge the saints and the world. Child of God! Be blameless for only then can you judge righteously. Phinehas was blameless as we see in Numbers 25 and his blamelessness was not for him to become quiet and refuse to act where necessary. For **Jeremiah 48:10** says, “**Cursed be he that doeth the work of the Lord deceitfully, and cursed be he that keepeth back his sword from blood**”

This is probably why Apostle Paul admonished the believers this way in **1 Corinthians 2:15** “**But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man**”. He did not say the Bishop, or Pastor or Prophet, the “he” used therein represents every believer. So every believer is given the authority in Christ to represent Christ and His Kingdom wherever you find yourself. Be spiritual! Live a life that is free of condemnation! Judge all things!

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

- 🙏 ♀1: Oh Jesus! Help me to a life that is free of condemnation. Make me more like you.
- 🙏 ♀2: Oh God! Grant me the wisdom to judge swiftly and righteously the circumstances that come my way.
- 🙏 ♀3: Oh God! Cause me to judge righteously even when I don't feel like doing so.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 29

31 **Theme:** A HOUSE OF PRAYER

📖 **Text:** Matthew 21:12-13

Memory Verse: “And said unto them it is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.” Matthew 21:13

📖 Hymn 407: JUST A LITTLE TALK WITH JESUS

MESSAGE:

First things first, you are the house and temple of the Lord (**1 Corinthians 3:16**) and so the Spirit of God dwells in you as a believer. Now that same spirit makes intercession for us with groaning which cannot be uttered. (**Romans 8:26-27**) and He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

You and I are supposed to be a praying machine because in us is the ability to be so. Prayer is just like your phone calls or online calls but it is of a higher realm because it is a means of communication between you and God and communication is said to be effective when there is a call and response on both sides.

Starting with you as the Church - a believer - and then looking at the Church as a gathering of believers, we are admonished by the Lord Jesus Christ, “**to pray, and not to faint**” (**Luke 18:1**) and Apostle Paul further explained that we are to “**pray without ceasing**” (**1 Thessalonians 5:17**). In other words, pray continuously/non-stop and in **Mark 14:37**, we are encouraged to maintain communication with God for at least an hour each day.

Jesus prayed at Gethsemane while close to death and it is interesting to note that at Gethsemane, after the prayer of Jesus, the angels of God came and ministered to him. In like manner, when we pray as believers – as the church – we build a relationship with God; we activate **Hebrews 12:22-29** and we experience the renewal of our strength. (**Isaiah 40:31**)

He also prayed at the grave of Lazarus which seemed to be the peak of his ministry from the human perspective and Lazarus came back to life. So you do not pray only at the good times, you pray even when the journey seems not to be as you had expected.

Child of God! Church of God! Many who have turned to other things like selling and buying in the church or making their personal business or selfish interest a priority in place of seeking first the kingdom of God (**Matthew 6:33**) have often found themselves and their activities rejected by God. They are thieves and thieves come only to collect at all times not minding the situation in which they meet you. Are you a house of prayer or a den of thieves?

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏 ♀ 1: Lord Jesus! Make me a house of prayer.

👁️♀️2: Lord Jesus! Cause me to experience renewal of strength every time I pray.

👁️♀️3: Oh God! Separate me from demons that have made my life & the church a den of thieves.

THE BRIDE'S DEVOTIONAL GUIDE NOVEMBER 30

📖 **Theme:** THE DEEDS OF THE NICOLAITIANS

📖 **Text:** Revelation 2

Memory Verse: “But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitians, which I also hate” Revelation 2:6

📖 **Hymn 67: TO BE LIKE HIM**

MESSAGE:

In Revelation chapter 2 verse 6 while the Lord Jesus was commending the Ephesians' church, He said, *“But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.”*

There was the deed of the Nicolaitans which they hated and God hated it and God still hates it. The word “deeds” means “actions”. The word “Nicolaitan” was derived from “Nico” which means “kill” and “laity” which means “the congregation, the followership”. Thus, the deeds of the Nicolaitans are the actions of the leaders that destroyed the faith of the congregation.

The deeds of the Nicolaitans are also the actions of preachers that have removed the people's faith in God and placed it on man or some other thing. They kill the faith of people in such a manner that the people look up to them (the men) rather than looking up to God.

Our destiny is to be like Jesus Christ. It is to be conformed to the image of Christ. And so, what is the effect of such deeds? Many who have fallen for this no longer conform to the image of Christ rather they unconsciously and in some cases consciously conform to the image of their preacher or leader and have a form of godliness but deny the power thereof. God hated this because He will never share his glory with anyone and thought what began as a deed later became a doctrine that is a “teaching” that was given biblical backings by the era of the second church age yet God still hated it.

Revelation 2:15, “So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.” Are you a leader that is leading people in the way which God hates? Are you a follower blinded by your lust and respect for persons or other things such that

you are backing what is killing you and the people of God, wake up! Rise from your slumber! Fight the good fight of faith! Cross-check doctrines with biblical teachings and be led more by the Spirit of God. The Letter indeed kills; it is the Spirit that gives life. Amen! Halleluyah!

WORSHIP/PRAISE GOD AND THEN TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRAYER POINTS:

🙏♀1: Lord Jesus! Keep me focused on You.

🙏♀2: Lord Jesus! Keep me from indulging in what you hate. Teach me to love you.

🙏♀3: Oh God! Separate me from demons that have made my life a den of thieves.

ONE YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN

NOVEMBER

1	2 Sam. 19-20	2 John
2	2 Sam. 21-22	3 John
3	2 Sam. 23-24	Col. 1
4	Nahum	Col. 2
5	Habakkuk	Col. 3
6	Zephaniah	Col. 4
7	Ezra 1-2	2 Tim. 1
8	Ezra 3-5	2 Tim. 2
9	Ezra 6-8	2 Tim. 3
10	Ezra 9-10	2 Tim. 4
11	1 Chron. 1-3	Jude
12	1 Chron. 4-6	Luke 1:1-20
13	1 Chron. 7-9	Luke 1:21-38
14	1 Chron. 10-12	Luke 1:39-56
15	1 Chron. 13-15	Luke 1:57-80
16	1 Chron. 16-18	Luke 2:1-24
17	1 Chron. 19-21	Luke 2:25-52
18	1 Chron. 22-24	Luke 3
19	1 Chron. 25-27	Luke 4:1-30
20	1 Chron. 28-29	Luke 4:31-44
21	2 Chron. 1-3	Luke 5:1-16
22	2 Chron. 4-6	Luke 5:17-39
23	2 Chron. 7-9	Luke 6:1-26
24	2 Chron. 10-12	Luke 6:27-49
25	2 Chron. 13-14	Luke 7:1-30
26	2 Chron. 15-16	Luke 7:31-50
27	2 Chron. 17-18	Luke 8:1-25
28	2 Chron. 19-20	Luke 8:26-56

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2 Chron. 21-22

Luke 9:1-17

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2 Chron. 23-24

Luke 9:18-36