

ROAD MAP TO THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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FOREWORD

To God be the Glory, Temple Builders Ministries was founded by Ibukun Abajingin in October 2008. Operations consist mainly in spreading the gospel and teaching the word of God. Our main focus was founded on the discovery of the fact that both believers and the yet to believe may not be in full acquaintance with the truths of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and proven proofs that there is no other solution provided for mankind outside of the gospel of Jesus Christ. God is God because truth originated from God. This means he does not tell lies neither does he exaggerate.

Hence the commitment of Temple Builders Ministries is to every human being who desires to succeed in life and make it to heaven. We are also committed to seeing the manifestation of every single promise of God as contained in the Holy Scriptures. We operate twenty four hours to reach anyone across the globe who desires the truth.

We believe every word of God. We know the word of God is not philosophy or psychology, neither is it science of any kind. The word of God is God. Jesus as the head of humanity and the church expect everyone who believes to do exactly what he did whilst on earth. The body cannot be separated from the head if it is to have life. Every power and life in the head is available to the body. This truth is the main impetus or driving force in Temple Builders Ministries. We are also committed to unity of faith because we know without unity there is no power. Moreover Jesus is coming to a church that is united.

Our goal is to reach everyone that God permits us to reach on this planet. Our prayer is that anyone who receives any copy of our publications would receive encouragement and vision which would propel them to be diligent in the study of the word of God and also receive direction to various ministries available for guidance from human guides Jesus has place in the church.

INTRODUCTION

This is not a theological expose, neither is it a literary exercise. It is a message to everyone who desires to rediscover the vision of God for the church of Jesus Christ and the true purpose of the shedding of the blood of Jesus at Calvary. God showed me in different ways that we are now in the dispensation of the fullness of God in the body of Christ. God creates awareness through revelation. Jesus is coming to a glorious church, a church without spots or wrinkle [See Ephesians 5:27]. This therefore is an attempt to communicate the message to believers at any level of their Christian walk in an easy to read or study form with very clear language.

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It was done with a lot of hesitation and reverential fear because I know that I am not walking in the realm of the fullness of God yet. I felt it was hypocrisy to write this message when I am still not anywhere near the fullness. The rebuke I received is better not imagined or talked about for now. My candid advice to anyone who may still be obscure in their own eyes but carrying a message from God is this; do not let God confound you before you talk. It is not a pleasant experience. More so if your motives are pure [See Jeremiah 1v:17].

This message can be used for evangelism, to show the purpose of God for creating human beings, and, paying the ultimate price for our salvation. God created human beings to live in them. We were never created to live without God in our spirit, soul, or body.

Wherever there are repetitions it is to enhance learning. This is to create desire and earnestness in the reader and at the same time help to articulate God's eternal vision for every single believer.

God also desires to restore understanding and prominence to ministerial gifts. They are presently being abused. They are given to

build. Without the restoration and full functioning of the fivefold ministerial gift, spiritual malnutrition would continue.

I pray that God would use this message to infuse believers with hope that they can be who God created them to be, that is like His Son. “For whom he did foreknow, he also predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren” Romans 8:29.

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CHAPTER 1

THE KINGDOM OF GOD

“And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ”. 1Thessalonians 5:23

- Jesus Christ died to pay for a glorious church, “That he might present it to himself a glorious church not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish” Ephesians 5: 27.
- Jesus also commanded in Matthew 6:33 “But seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.”
- God’s plan is specific. His commandments are not advise, admonition or encouragement. The reward of following God’s plan is called the kingdom of God. It is only for those who know it and seek it.
- In God’s kingdom only God’s will alone is done.
- Nothing that is not God’s will exist in God’s kingdom.
- Jesus instructed about this when asked by His disciples to teach them how to pray. He taught them “Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven” Matthew 6:33.
- To make it plain, for God to have His kingdom on earth we must know and have a clear understanding of where this kingdom would be established.
- When the Pharisees asked Jesus about the kingdom of God, he told them “The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: Neither shall they say, lo here or, lo there; for, behold the kingdom of God is within you” Luke 17:21.
- God rules by his Spirit in a specific sphere which is properly coordinated by His Spirit. In this place is his kingdom established.

- God rules and would rule on earth through human beings whom He created specifically as an extension of Himself. This was and still is God's original plan.
- This plan was sabotaged when man surrendered through sin.
- Satan took over the earth when man obeyed his voice. Despite the redemptive work of Christ, Satan is still largely in charge through the same strategy.
- God gave man soul in his spirit with which to obey God freely without coercion. There cannot be true obedience if there is no opportunity for disobedience. Man is free to choose as a free moral agent.
- Obedience is life, disobedience is death. God is the God of the living. "He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living;" Mark 12:27.
- Man's spirit has a soul.
- Man's spirit is the component in man that receives the Spirit of God when we become born again or regenerated.
- Man's soul is not born again at regeneration. John. G Lake described the soul in his teaching on sanctification [John G. Lake : The complete collection of his life teaching] that "The soul of man is that which reaches out and takes possession of the knowledge that the spirit has attained and expresses that knowledge through the outer man. The soul of man is the governing power in the constitution of man". He added "I feel in my heart that one of the things we need to learn very much is this; that the soul of man, not the spirit, has a marvellous power"
- Man's spirit was not given the ability to obey or disobey because it is not subject to man. The soul is that which determine the expressions of the spirit of man and of God.
- Man's spirit cannot, neither should it at any time or for any purpose be under the dominion or control of man or any spirit except the Spirit of God for whom it was created.

The Kingdom Of God

- One of the biggest crises the body of Christ is facing is the proliferation of individuals who have gained control of their spirit and are able through demonic powers to use their spirit to fight against God and his children. Sadly some are even called minister of Christ.
- When we become born again, we receive the ability, the power which is the Holy Spirit that helps believers to seek the kingdom of God by revealing the truth in God's word.
- Therefore the kingdom of God is where God's will is done. This kingdom is the soul of man.
- The soul of man comprises of the mind; which is for comprehension, apprehension or critical wisdom, the will: which is the decision making component for practical wisdom, and the emotion: which determines the intensity, propensity and the general disposition or flavour of our actions.
- God rules through the soul of man from His Spirit which Jesus gave us at regeneration. God's kingdom is when the soul of man is completely under the dominion of God's Spirit. This is God's purpose and call for believers or the church of Jesus Christ, the main reason Jesus shed his blood.
- This kingdom is what Jesus commanded every believer to seek.
- Jesus responded to Nicodemus' inquiry "Jesus answered and said unto him, verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God" John 3:3. Being born again is the prerequisite, the beginning of the journey into the kingdom of God, where only God's will would be done in the life of the believer and around that believer.
- Apostle Paul called being born again first fruit or down payment until the redemption of the purchased possession, "That [Spirit] is the guarantee of our inheritance [the first fruit, the pledge and foretaste, the down payment on our heritage], in anticipation of its full redemption and our acquiring [complete] possession of it-to the praise of his glory. Ephesians 1: 14 AMP.
- The purchased possession means that it is already paid for. This purchased possession is the mind, the will and the emotion

which makes up the soul of man, the exact location the kingdom of God would come [Matthew 6: 33].

CHAPTER 2

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN WHEN THIS KINGDOM COME?

- The Kingdom of God is only for those who seek it. And it can only be sought diligently. Seeking is inquiry. Diligence is assiduity, intentness and earnestness. “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.
- When this kingdom come into the believer, everyone believer not Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers would do greater works than Jesus in quantity not in quality. “Verily, Verily, I say unto you, He that believe on me, the works that I do shall he do also: and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my father” John 14:12.
- Please note, God does not lie nor exaggerate.
- When the kingdom of God comes into the believer, the fullness of God would be established. “Jesus answered and said unto him, if a man love me, he will keep my words and my father will love him, and we will come unto him and make our abode with him” John 14:23. This is also called the in dwelling Christ. The call to intimacy for every believer.
- When the kingdom of God comes into the believer, John 5:30 will be that believer’s testimony, “I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgement is just; because I seek not my own will, but the will of the father which has sent me”.
- When the kingdom of God come on the believer, Jeremiah 31:34 and Hebrew 8:11 would come to pass. “And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying know the Lord: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more”. Jeremiah 31:34. “And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying know the Lord: for

all shall know me, from the least to the greatest". Hebrews 8:11.

- The above means every believer, not ordained ministers. Man can appoint but ultimately only God ordains. No man can call any one into any of the five fold ministries, that is, Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist Teacher and Pastor. Jesus Christ alone ordains. Ministers are commanded by God to be ordained for service in the churches after they've been proven as Bishops, Deacons or elders [1Timothy3:1-14]. This is for church services and proceedings. They may have ministerial gifts if Jesus ordains or confers them with the gifts. On the recognition of this conferment ministers would lay hands on them under the direction of the real church administrator "The Holy Spirit" [See Acts13:3-4]. The Holy Spirit is the one who commissions ministers.
- When the believer enters the kingdom of God that Jesus commanded, Zechariah 8:23 would be fulfilled. "Thus saith the Lord of host; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirts of him that is a Jew, saying, we will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you."
- Christian dominion becomes a reality. The real enemies of God or of his children [demonic entities] do not hang around. When our enemies mention that believers name, Jesus would respond. By then, self is dead, only Christ is seen in that believer. "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I Live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith of the son of God who love me and gave himself for me" Galatians 2:20.
- Equally important is to note that as a believer, baptized by immersion in water by water baptism, you have signified that you died with Christ on the cross. Yours is to believe this reality as the only truth and follow Jesus' commandments.
- The kingdom of God is associated with glory. Glory is beauty, effulgence, out-raying or radiance.
- The Psalmist declared "Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God" Psalm 87:3.

- The glory of God is when God's will is done. In God's city glorious things are spoken because it is glorious.
- God's city on earth is the soul of man when God's kingdom has been established.
- God in charge of a soul is the true meaning of glory. This is why any time sacrifice is offered to God, God signifies His acceptance by showing up. We know God's showing up as "Shekinah glory." This is the physical visible presence of God. But the glory associated with obeying God's will is referred to as His abiding presence.
- Jesus Christ is the will of God. "Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power." Hebrews 1:3a.
- The will of God and obedience to God are all the glory of God. David said "Give unto the Lord O ye mighty, give unto the Lord glory and strength. Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness" Psalm 29: 1-2. Obedience gives God strength. Jesus gave God Strength by complete obedience to God's will, plans and purposes. Obedience makes it possible for God to direct our lives and to rule on earth.
- Jesus' mind, will and emotion were completely under the dominion of the Holy Spirit, hence only God's will was operating in the life of Jesus Christ. "Then said I, Lo I come in the volume of the book it is written of me, I delight to do thy will O my God: yea thy law is written in my heart". Psalm 4:7-8. God's New Covenant promise is the Holy Spirit writing of laws of God in our hearts and mind.
- Jesus' purpose and God's plan is for every believer to be exactly like Jesus. In the image of Christ. God does not exaggerate.
- Apostle Paul explains "For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified". Romans 8:29-30. The image of Jesus is God's vision for the church of Jesus Christ and the reason

for the creation of man and the prize for the price of the life of Jesus.

- Being born again is the beginning. This is why we do not see any glory yet in most born again believers. It is in the soul that Christ is revealed. The revelation of Christ in the soul of a believer is to see the kingdom of God [John 3:3]. The revelation of Christ in the soul of a believer is the transformation of a believer into the image of Christ. This image is a believer who obeys God without having to meditate before obeying. That believer obeys God naturally. This is referred to as divine nature.
- The spirit of man does not need revelation. The soul of man is that which needs revelation.
- The soul of man is the seat of power, the seat of obedience, the seat of glory and the seat of God's kingdom. Satan knows this so he deceived man to use his soul to disobey God, so as to establish himself and take over the earth. He knew whoever rules the soul of man rules the earth. Believers more than ever must have a full grip of this simple truth.
- The revelation of Christ is the true meaning of glory. Apostle Peter explained this truth. "Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ" 1 Peter 1:13.
- Apostle Paul also declares "For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God" Romans 8:19.
- The son is the believer who has entered the realm called the kingdom of God. "For unto us a child is born, [Paraphrased-Born again for believers] unto us a son is given;" [Those who enter the kingdom of God] Isaiah 9:6a. This prophecy was about Jesus Christ the first born son of God. This prophecy is the inheritance of every believer. Believers have inherited Jesus Christ together with every promise made to him or about him. "Then said Jesus unto them again, Peace be unto you: as my father hath sent me, even so send I you" John 20:21.

- The kingdom of God is thus about sonship, God's glory and the revelation of Christ in the soul of the believers. This is for seekers who want their purchased inheritance.
- Becoming God's will is becoming God's sons and daughters, God's glory or the kingdom of God. God's will alone is done. There is only one way, it is God's way. The scripture calls it the highway of holiness [Isaiah 35:8].
- Jesus died for us so that God could dwell in man and live our lives for us which is the only way man can become God's glory. Then believers can be sons and daughters that are not subject to elements or elemental teachings. "Now I say, that a heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be Lord of all; But is under the elements of the world. But when the fullness of the time is come, God sent forth his son, made of a woman, made under the law, To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God sent forth the Spirit of his son into our hearts, crying Abba, father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son then an heir of God through Christ" Galatians 4:1-7.
- Apostle Paul explains further when declaring God's purpose for the church "To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you the hope of glory" Colossians 1:27.
- Christ in you means to be born again, the hope of glory is the hope of sonship, the hope of becoming God's will, the hope of seeing and inheriting the kingdom of God which Jesus commanded us to seek in Matthew 6:33.
- Gods plan for humanity and subsequently the church is to populate the earth with Jesus. This is the true meaning of the knowledge of the glory of God as waters cover the sea, "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the water covers the sea" [Isaiah 11:9 and Habakkuk 2:14].
- Jesus is the knowledge of God or the revelation of God and the Glory of God. The church is the revelation of Jesus and the glory of Jesus. The church is the body or extension of Jesus Christ.

- Through the church Christ would be known or revealed. “To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God” Ephesians 3:10.
- This vision was encapsulated in Apostle Peter’s epistle. “But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light” 1 Peter 2:9.
- This means when anyone encounters a believer, that person has encountered God as it was in the days of Jesus Christ on earth. This was and still remains God’s plan for Israel and the present day spiritual Israel, the church. As Israel was supposed to show who God is, the church is better equipped to demonstrate God through Jesus Christ with the help of the Holy Spirit, the new covenant promise.
- Jesus explained to Philip. “Jesus saith unto him, have I been so long time with you and yet hast thou not known me Philip? He that hast seen me hath seen the father; and sayest thou then show us thou the father? Believest thou not that I am in the father, and the father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself; but the father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. Believe me that I am in the father, and the father in me: or else believe in me for the very works sake” John 14: 9-11.
- The kingdom of God includes His physical residence, heaven and His eternal residence which is the heart, soul and body of man. “And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God” Revelation 21:3. We are his temples. “Know ye not that ye are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?” 1 Corinthians 3:16.
- God’s solution for demonic domination of man, poverty, depression, confusion, every diseases and evil on this planet earth and its inhabitant is the kingdom of God. Christian dominion which was and still is God’s plan from the beginning of

creation is God in charge of the spirit, mind, will and emotion of man. For this reason, Jesus commanded that it is what we should seek first.

- Most of our teachings on prosperity, financial strategic dealings, theological expositions and academic exercises cannot replace nor denigrate the commandment to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness. Failure to recognise this truth is the secret behind the present state of this planet and also the source of powerlessness in the lives of believers called to reign but neither know what this kingdom mean nor how to get there. God said all other things would be added to those seek till they find.
- There is a promise that has been easily ignored in the New Testament. For those who obey the commandment to seek first, “And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, know the Lord: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sins more” Jeremiah 31:34. This same promise is repeated by the writer of the Epistles to the Hebrews, “And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest” Hebrews 8:11.
- The Holy Spirit would only confirm or support the truth. The Holy Spirit is the promise of the New Covenant which Jesus died to pay for. He would not support disobedience or ignorance. He interprets the word of God by showing and supporting the truth. We should examine ourselves to determine whether we believe or are obeying the truth. The devil knows how to make us believe we are doing great because we are busy.
- The Holy Spirit knows those who seek and obey the commandment of Jesus. Jesus is the surety of the New Testament, “By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament” Hebrews 7:22. He mediates only in the New Covenant, “But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant which was established upon better promises.” Hebrews 8:6. Any other

practice either deliberately or out of lack of knowledge is veil. It limits God. All the Old Covenant promises can only be interpreted by the New Covenant because they are included in God's promises. For example where ever we find God say "I WILL", it constitutes part of the New Covenant promises. God said "I WILL" because we couldn't. No man can do what God says He would do. If we could Jesus would not have come to die for us.

- Jesus is coming to a glorious church. It time to arise. It is time to awake. If we seek this kingdom the way we seek our plethora of degrees in colleges, we would be there, moreover sanctification would have obliterated denominational ideologies and differences. There would be unity of faith. "Till we all come in the unity of faith, and of the knowledge of the son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ" Ephesians 4:13.
- This is not utopia.

CHAPTER 3

HOW DO YOU ENTER THIS KINGDOM? GOD'S ROAD MAP

- The New Covenant is God's road map and the only means into this kingdom. Entering is through death which the Holy Spirit [the New Covenant promise] is under oath to help every believer to accomplish so as to enter and inherit this kingdom which is to bring us into the resurrection life of Jesus.
- Acquaintance with the New Covenant is therefore crucial to this journey. To be acquainted is to know your destination and the approved route into this destination or vision. This is the purpose of this exercise. "Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace there by good shall come unto thee. Receive, I pray thee, the law from his mouth, and lay up his words in thine heart. If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up, thou shalt put away iniquity from thy tabernacles. Then shalt thou lay up, gold as dust, and the gold of ophir as the stones of the brooks. Yea, the Almighty shall be thy defence, and thou shalt have plenty of silver. For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty and shall lift up thy face unto God. Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows. Thou shalt also decree a thing and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon you ways" Job 22:21-28.
- Acquaintance with God's will is very profitable.
- The glory, the kingdom of God, manifestation of sons of God all can be interpreted as the fullness of God.
- Apostle Peter wrote by the Holy Spirit "According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue" 2 Peter 1:3.
- Knowledge of the word of God that became flesh [which is eternal life, resurrection life and abundant life] and godliness [which is behaviour, character and disposition comparable or similar to God, demonstrated and revealed by Jesus] are all

crucial in our journey into that glorious city called the kingdom of God.

- Denying one's self and trusting God to use whatever means of achieving total sanctification is death to self. This is the only way any believer can truly benefit fully from the New Covenant promise. To tell the truth, it is the only solution to every kind of proliferation the church is experiencing at the moment.

THE NEW COVENANT

- The purpose of the New Covenant is sanctification.
- Sanctification means to be set apart. This connotes unity with God which is not without the blood of Jesus. The blood of Jesus Christ made it possible to for the Holy Spirit to begin the work of uniting those who believe with God. John Wesley famously defined sanctification. He said "Sanctification is possessing the mind of Christ, and all the mind of Christ."
- Sanctification is union with God which produces holiness. Sanctification is thus the process, holiness is the end. Holiness is the state we arrive at when our obedience is complete. Obedience and holiness are one and the same. Holiness is the end or purpose the New Covenant was instituted to accomplish in man. This is the only qualification into the kingdom status or graduation into sonship which is better described as fullness of God.
- A born again believer is holy, unblameable and unreprouvable in his spirit, Colossians 1 v22. God is in his human spirit, so the born again spirit cannot sin. The human spirit is revived when the truth entered the spirit at regeneration. To be born again, one believes into righteousness. But not his soul. It is with the soul that we either obey God or disobey. "But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption. "1 Corinthians 1:30.
- The Holy Spirit in a believer is the God that created the heaven and the earth, who is eternal. But the Holy Spirit's first residence is our human spirit, given for the purpose of seeing through

seeking, the kingdom of God. The mind, the will and the emotion would be completely submerged by the Holy Spirit. The process by which the soul of the believer is taken over or submerged is called the Holy Ghost baptism. This is precisely what happened to the one hundred and twenty obedient disciples of Jesus who tarried until they became endued with power from on high [see Luke 24:49.] And the command "wait for the promise of the father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence." Acts 1: 4b-5.

- The writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews wrote "For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. For finding fault with them he saith, behold the days come, saith the Lord when I will make a covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in days when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not saith the Lord. For this is the covenant that I will make with the house Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts; and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people: And they shall not teach every man his neighbour and every man his brother, saying know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest. For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities I will remember no more. In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away" Hebrews 8:8-13.
- The New Covenant was instituted by God because man could not obey God by his will power.
- Attempts to walk in love, holiness, surrender, die to self, mortify lust and other works of the flesh by ourselves is still flesh. Flesh cannot deal with flesh. Moreover if we could deal with the flesh Jesus would not have needed to die.

- Whenever God says I WILL it mean no man can do what He says He would do.
- For this simple reason the gospel is what it is, good news.
- Apostle Paul described the old covenant as a schoolmaster; to show us how helpless man really is without the Holy Spirit. “But before faith came we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should be afterwards be revealed. Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us to Christ that we might be justified by faith.” Galatians 3:23-24.
- We could not come to God until the Holy Spirit drew us. Jesus said “No man can come to me, except the father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.” John 6: 44.
- God comes into man at regeneration so that man can have the power to become sons of God. “But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.” John 1:12.
- So believing is the key into the kingdom of God. Believing is action which lead the believer into seeking [this is inquiring] what their role is in this New Covenant. “Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the work of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God that ye believe on him who he hath sent.” John 6:29.
- It is apparent that faith is crucial to becoming God’s will in the New Covenant. “The just shall live by faith.” Romans 1: 17b. And faith is doing what God said we should do with the view or vision of receiving what God said we would receive. The vision now is the kingdom of God. Jesus said Seek. So our seeking connotes finding out what it all entails. Since Jesus said all other things would be added, it means all other things would be added if we don’t stop seeking till we find.
- The ministry of the Holy Spirit is better explained in the Old Testament prophecies of Prophets Ezekiel and Jeremiah which further demonstrates that the issues of obedience and holiness was the problem that the New Covenant addressed.

- First Prophet Ezekiel prophesied “And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which was profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord, when I shall be sanctified in you before their very eyes. For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land. Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and I will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgement and do them.” Ezekiel 36:23-27.
- To think like God so that we can behave like God is the purpose of sanctification. This is what God gave the Holy Spirit to accomplish. Trials and chastening are part of the numerous processes God takes us through before the indwelling of Christ.
- The Spirit of God speaking through Apostle Peter says, “And besides this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins. Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things ye shall never fall:” 2 Peter 1:5-10
- It is pertinent to note that obedience is hard work. There is no room for laziness of any form. The kingdom promises apply only to the diligent. This means you cannot expect your pastor to be diligent for you. You have to be diligent yourself.

- “I will” is the new covenant promise. So when God says “I will”, He means only He could do the above. This covenant is all about sanctification which would unite man with God.
- The spirit of a born again believer does not disobey God because God is in that spirit, the soul is the problem.
- God’s promise is to put His Spirit in the heart and the mind of the believer. This is not what man can do. The new covenant was brought into force by the redemptive work of Jesus Christ who paid the penalty of sin to make way for the Holy Spirit to dwell in man.
- The disciples of Jesus walked in the realm Jesus described as the kingdom of God because they obeyed His instruction to wait until they receive this promise. The indwelling Christ is not the same as being born again. They were all born again when Jesus breathed on them. “And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:” John 20:22.
- The baptism is different from the anointing because anointing is continuous, daily as it may be and is transferable from any of the five fold ministries. But baptism is an event in the Life of the believer which Jesus himself does. One can also be baptized when prayed for by believers or any of the five fold ministries.
- According to Peter A Madden in the Wigglesworth Standard page 95, “Wigglesworth alludes to his belief that there are different degrees of baptism in the Holy Spirit. As we hunger for God and surrender to his will, we add fuel to the fire of our baptism in the Holy Spirit, until it becomes a mighty, mighty blaze. This is what we need”.
- In Roberts Liardon’s Compilation of John G Lake: The complete work of his life Teaching John G Lake defined baptism, “The baptism of the Holy Ghost was the incoming of God in personality in order that man, through this force, might be moved by God. God lives in him, speaks through him, God is the impulse of his soul. God has his dwelling place in him”. He further said “You may have God. That is the wonder of baptism of the Holy Ghost. It is not a work of grace, it is God possessing you.”

- This realm which saints like Smith Wigglesworth, John G Lake and Kathryn Kuhlman to mention a few walked in is called the kingdom of God Jesus commanded us to seek. It is the fullness of God that brings glory. Believers would be distinguished from non believers.
- The New Covenant promise is the Holy Spirit whose work is sanctification after cleansing by the blood of Jesus [without which the Holy Ghost cannot work] in preparation for full possession of man by God the Father and God the son. "Jesus answered and said unto him, if a man loves me, he will keep my words: and my father will love him and we will come unto him and make our abode in him" John 14 v23. This is the fullness of God; God is in charge of that life. All other things would be added, and only God would take that individual into the deeper things. No one would need to be taught deep things. God said he himself would teach. No one can do whatever God says he would do.
- The fullness of God is Jesus Christ himself. "For in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily" Colossians 2:9.
- No one was able to satisfactorily keep the first commandment "Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and all thy soul, and with all thy mind" Matthew 22:37. This commandment was stated in the book of Deuteronomy "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thine soul, and all thy might." Deuteronomy 6:5. We could not keep this commandment because loving God is the function of the soul. The heart's only source of expression is the soul. For example we believe with our hearts unto righteousness but confession is made unto salvation. Romans 10:10. Until our mouth which is under the command of the soul confesses salvation, it is not established. The soul is where every decision is made whether we can talk or not. The soul is the seat of every action a man would ever make.
- For the man to love, love must be in the soul of man. This is the New Covenant promise of God. God would put love which is God [Divine nature] in the heart and soul of man. "God is love" 1

John 4:16. The gospel of Jesus Christ, also called the gospel of the kingdom of God is good news because what our best efforts and striving could never achieve, God promised to do.

- We all thought all our efforts to die to self , love God and love our neighbour, deal with anger, lust and impatience was not yielding fruit or profit because we didn't try enough. Thank God for human guides like David Wilkerson, Andrew Murray, Albert Benjamin Simpson and several other who God have used to open believers mind to the true meaning of the New covenant and the interpretations of Apostle Paul's teachings in all his Epistles. This is also largely due to the fact that we are simply not following God's plan and commandment of believing. Gloria Copeland asked in one of her books "Are you listening?"
- Jesus taught that what was impossible for man is possible for God. Believers are not called to do what human beings can do. Doing what human beings can do is simply not our call. We should not be surprised that the world is wondering about what we are saying. They cannot see any evidence or proofs in what they see or what they hear that Christians do.
- Christians are only supposed to do what God can do. It is not us but God who should be at work in us. God designed man so that he could live through us. Christians are supposed to show who God is. We should think, act, and talk like God. This is God's only plan for man. Any life short of this of a believer is actually dysfunctional.
- God devised a plan to put God in the heart and soul of man and ultimately to take over man's body as a solution to every known evil that came to man because of man's fall in the Garden of Eden. God wondered "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thought than your thoughts." Isaiah 55:8-9.
- God solved this problem with the New Covenant to ensure that our thoughts are guaranteed to be God's thoughts, a prerequisite for walking in God's ways. This is good news. The New Covenant guarantees that we would think like God and

desire only what God desires. This covenant also put's God's reverential fear in us. We would want only what God want, do only what God is doing, go only where God is going, love God, and never have to wonder whether we are obeying God. We would be able to set our affection on things above and make it to heaven. It is a life of glory. Glory of God. This is why it is good news.

- It is essential for believers to know that nothing of the flesh would be accepted in heaven. We won't be able to boast of anything in the New Covenant. If it is not God who did it, it is flesh. Nothing done through competition, politics or manipulation, cajoling people to give, jostling for position or ordination papers and all worldly practices in the name of Jesus Christ would survive before the fire of judgement.
- "Every man's work shall be made manifest: For the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is." 1 Corinthians 3:13. Whatever we do that is not instigated, motivated and done by the Holy Spirit in us is vain and would be consumed by fire. And that is if one is fortunate not to receive curses with it. "Cursed be he that doeth the work of the Lord Deceitfully" Jeremiah 48:10a. Rick Joyner in the Final quest recounted how he discovered that those who were popularly known and revered by men in the body of Christ, counted themselves fortunate to have made it to the lowest rung in heaven, whilst men were counting them as successful role models. They were popular on earth but not in heaven.
- In the New Covenant, it is the Holy Spirit. When we return to the Holy Spirit but most importantly return Jesus' church and children to the Holy Spirit, this would ensure that the gate of hell does not prevail over Jesus' church.

FAITH RIGHTEOUSNESS

- Faith Righteousness is the foundation of the gospel of Jesus Christ. "But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; Even

the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all them that believe: for there is no difference: Romans 3:21-22.

- “For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin: that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.” 2 Corinthians 5:21. “But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification and redemption.” 1 Corinthians 1:30. Central to these scriptures is the fact that we did not earn our righteousness.
- The righteousness we possess is a gift from God through Jesus Christ, which qualifies us for every single promise from Genesis to Revelation. Jesus the first born son of God inherited all the promises through his finished work of Calvary; we inherited Jesus together with all the promises because we believe in him. Righteousness can only be bestowed. This also true of holiness.
- Dr. James Richards in his book *Breaking The Cycle [The Ultimate Solution to Destructive Patterns]* written on this subject, explained that “Faith righteousness is the theological foundation of the New Testament. Every doctrine should be built on this reality”. He further wrote “The concept of faith righteousness is a paradox. It seems so contradictory. Those who do not understand it think that it is a form of easy believism. Some falsely think that faith righteousness leads to compromised life. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Accepting the righteousness of Jesus as our own connects us to the power of righteousness. Faith righteousness gives us the only escape from the sense of lack that draws us into sin.”
- Without faith righteousness as an anchor of our soul we have no power or grace. The only job the devil does is to ensure that the believer stops believing his right standing with God. He would attempt to take the believer back to the Old Covenant beliefs and traditions, whilst condemning one in his failure to obey God
- One thing is certain, believing what God said is very crucial. “Who hath believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?” Isaiah 53:3. Only those who believe the report of what God said would see the arm or help of the Lord. Jesus said our only work is to believe in him [John 6:29].

- “We having the same Spirit of faith, according as is written, I believe, and therefore have I spoken, we also believe, and therefore speak.” 2 Corinthians 4:13. In the New Covenant we are truly not permitted by our new status as joint heirs and as an extension of Jesus to say what we do not believe. Our words are powerful as kings and priest. They are creative or destructive. Hence our confession should be only what God said. When we speak we should know that God expect us to know that we are speaking for God. The devil knows this more than believers. This is the mind set God expects every believer to have. We should pray for and receive from God. We have no choice but to speak the language of faith, the only language that God understands together with all the Angels of God. Creation also recognises this language. Without faith we can't get God on the line.
- Faith is a Spirit. It is the Spirit of God. It can be seen by God, Angels of God and the devil. The truth is nothing scares the devil more than faith. Faith is God.
- Believers are warned! Anything we believe that is not interpreted by the Holy Spirit would lead to bondage. Most believers pray prayers that expose our ignorance as regards what God said particularly about the wicked or our enemies. If what we believe is different from what God believes it constitutes danger.
- A lot of believers are for example praying prayers that God cannot answer because it has no place in the New Covenant. Jesus and his Spirit [The Holy Spirit] do not mediate in the Old Covenant.
- The devil answers prayers. Prayers that end up at his address.
- Our walk, talk and prayer would bring New Covenant blessings if it aligns with the New Covenant.
- It is therefore crucial to understand perfectly the difference between the word of God which is the Logos and the will of God which is the Rhema, interpreted by the Holy Spirit. Ignorance of this difference is one of the most devastating weapons of the devil. Believers do fight against God. We do this by trying to enforce our will, calling it the word of God in prayer. The Holy

Spirit does not participate in iniquity. “For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ” John 1:5.

- This above named difference is the main issue that Jesus warned about the Pharisees in his days. Pharisees are still around.
- Central to our walk is faith righteousness which instructs us that we are an extension of Jesus Christ and standing right with God through Jesus. We are his representative on earth, Jesus represent us in heaven. “Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ’s stead, be ye reconciled to God.” 2 Corinthians 5:20 .We are admonished to be reconciled to God, to see things the way God see’s it.

CHAPTER 4

THE FULLNESS OF GOD

- Total sanctification is the purpose of the New Covenant. The details of the Covenant promise as recorded by Prophet Ezekiel in Ezekiel 36:23-29 is very clear as to what God promised to do.
- Total sanctification that Apostle Paul prayed for the Church in Thessalonica is the work that the Holy Spirit was given to do in the believer which takes the believer to the destination called holiness or complete obedience [2 Corinthians 10:6]
- Holiness or complete obedience is the gate or door into fullness of God. This is the work the New Covenant was instituted to accomplish in man, and the main ministry of the Holy Spirit.
- At the point of total sanctification, the Holy Spirit invites Jesus Christ for inspection of the job done on the believer. Jesus then invites God the Father for full possession of the believer. God the father, God the son, and God the Holy Spirit take up permanent residence in the Spirit, soul [that is on top of the mind, will and emotion]and in the body physically of the believer in the form of the indwelling Christ. Faith makes it happen, but it is not a faith thing or something one imagines is there. It is the indwelling presence, the realm God planned for every believer. Few had ventured in. “Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words; and my father will love him, and we will come unto him and make our abode with him.” John 14:23. He is not talking about being born again. Love or obedience is not possible without God.
- This was what was in the first Apostles that made their shadow to heal those who had the faith, the same that was in Kathryn Kuhlman, John G. Lake, Smith Wigglesworth, Charles Finney, to mention a few. Jesus is coming to a church filled with believer like the aforementioned. A church of glory walking in the fullness of their inheritance, not a church negotiating with the devil or the world as to what they can have or not have. A church of sons

and daughters who preside over their father's property [The earth] as kings and priests

- Hence the New Covenant puts God in the heart, soul and body of believers.
- First is to be born again. "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, Verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." John 3:3.
- Next is sanctification. The Holy Spirit comes into man at regeneration to begin the work of sanctification, first of the soul. The spirit of man is already quickened at new birth, without which the Holy Spirit would not have been able to live in man. "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." John 17:17. So this work starts in the human spirit, then the mind by the Holy Spirit interpreting God will in his word. Gods will in his word is the truth, the truth that makes man free.
- When we think God's thought we would walk in his ways. [Isaiah 55:8]
- God has only one way, it is strait and narrow. "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Matthew 7: 13-14.
- This way is the high way of holiness. "And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The highway of holiness: the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein." Isaiah 35:8. This is the route the Spirit of God was given to men to help us find. This is the route the New Covenant was design to follow into the kingdom of God. Only the Holy Spirit knows the route. There are no short cuts.
- Those who pursue fullness always appear foolish, fanatical and holier than thou, but that is the only way. The devil does not pass that route. It is the only way believers are safe.
- Holiness was not possible in the Old Covenant, even the high priest who appears before God once a year on behalf of all could get killed if there was one single unconfessed sin in his life.

Andrew Murray wrote in one of his books, the power of the Blood of Jesus, whilst addressing the topic sanctification said “Holiness is the attribute of God that causes Him to will and to do what is supremely good. Because of his holiness, He desires what is supremely good in his creatures and bestows it upon them.”

- Every promise of God can only be bestowed by God. This is why the blood of Jesus was shed. The blood of Jesus is like a receipt of the payment for all of God’s promises. God has given us the receipt which is the blood of God for every single promise in the book. But are we using it? The Holy Spirit is on earth and in us because of the blood of Jesus Christ.
- There is also the redemption of our body through sanctification. The amplified version of the Bible states it better. Apostle Paul wrote, “And not only the creation, but we ourselves too, who have and enjoyed the first fruits of the [Holy} Spirit [a foretaste of the blissful things to come] groan inwardly as we wait for the redemption of our bodies [from sensuality and grave, which will reveal] our adoption [our manifestation as Gods sons]” Romans 8:23. Blissful things to come, manifestation as Gods sons, fullness of God, glory and the kingdom of God are all one and the same. Redemption of the body which only the Holy Spirit can do is part of what Jesus said we should seek. Jesus knows it is part of the covenant promise he cut with the father, and he was about to pay for it, with his blood. All these sanctifications [Spirit, Soul and Body] are for the diligent seekers who seek it with utmost passion, considering it a life and death issue far more superior in priority to all the college degrees and endeavours that cannot help us into the kingdom of God or pay bills without a lot of grumblings.
- Jesus likened the fullness of God to a treasure, “And again the kingdom of heaven is like a merchantman, seeking goodly pearls: who when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.” Matthew 13:45-46. It is for desperate seekers who have found out that once they enter they

have all that God said they would have. They become exactly like Jesus in his image.

- Apostle Paul also identified what the lord would do to our body. “Who would change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.” Philippians 3:21. This is what our inward part would be. There would however be a reflection on the outside. Believers would be recognised without having to announce. It is important to know that our bodies must be cleansed by God to be able to accommodate God’s presence. This is about physical possession, not just being born again. The indwelling of God according to John 14:23 is the fullness and the kingdom Jesus commanded us to seek.
- Albert Benjamin Simpson wrote in one of his books *The Christ in the Bible* commentary volume 5 page 430 “But even this new life must be strengthened by the Spirit in order to be able to stand the power of this divine addition to its experience. Many people are crying for the baptism of the Holy Spirit, who would not be able to stand it if they received it. It would be like putting a great charge of dynamite or powder into a sheet iron pipe. It would burst into a thousand fragments.” So our bodies must be sanctified and changed from being vile to prepare for the indwelling Christ.
- A.B Simpson further taught in the same volume page 431 “A whole group of spiritual organs and senses grow up as a channel of communion between us and him”. Sensuality or our natural human senses are replaced by new spiritual organs. We would not just feel, we would see, hear, touch and talk differently. It is total transformation that would put Love which is God in our soul with all the nine fruit, seven Spirit of God [see Isaiah 11:2-3] nine gifts of the Spirit according to Gods distribution [see 1Corinthians 12:7-11] and any of the five fold ministerial gifts [see Ephesians 4:11-12] according to Jesus who only can bestow them .
- The above means there cannot be any mistake in the life of those who seek and find this fullness. You would not be trying to be a doctor when God wants you to be an architect, lawyer, pastor or

a businessman. You would understand that every one God loves He called for His business alone. God is the employer of every believer, whether we are doing secular work or not.

- God is saying seeking till you enter is the solution to multiple sclerosis, HIV Aids, cancer or any other debilitating diseases, poverty, crime, depression anything called evil on this planet. The gospel is to the poor because if and when they hear the true gospel [not the one we've heard for ages that did not have any proof] they can never be poor again. "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." Matthew 6:10. God is saying there is no poverty or diseases in heaven, Jesus have paid the price for it not to be in earth, that is, in the lives of those who believe and seek the kingdom of God first.
- The New Covenant was ratified to take every believer to glory or fullness of God.

HOW DO YOU SEEK THE KINGDOM OF GOD? WHAT TO DO.

- The way into the New Covenant life and mind set is the cross.
- The cross is a bloody place. The cross is a place of death.
- The cross is the place of complete surrender to God's Spirit so that He can complete His work of putting the believer to death [to self] and bring us into the resurrection life of Christ [Fullness of God].
- Jesus explained to a Pharisee named Nicodemus, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou heareth the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is everyone that is born of the Spirit" John 3:7-8. Now this is the key to understanding the message of the cross. Jesus is explaining to all believers that the key to entering the kingdom of God is to stop trying to explain how the Holy Spirit brings about or fulfils Gods promises and purposes. We don't know, cannot know nor explain how the wind moves or operates. If we cannot explain the wind, why are we trying to know how God does his work?
- The main problem of the Pharisees in the days of Jesus on earth and the present day believers is that we are not comfortable

with the fact that we cannot explain everything about God neither can we control the Holy Spirit.

- Jesus committed himself into Gods hands. Jesus did not know how the Holy Spirit brought him back to life. There is no evidence in the bible to show that Jesus cared what means God used to bring him back to life. All Jesus did and is calling all believers to do is to trust God to sanctify and fill us with God the same way he trusted God to raise him up as he promised. We have no choice if we truly want to receive the full package that Jesus paid for in full with his blood. Trust and obey. This is why Jesus was telling people who are used to working out all life difficulties, “Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent” John 6:29
- Our part is to embrace the cross which is to cease from trying to force God or to help God. We must learn from the Holy Spirit how to trust Him the way Jesus trusted Him to bring Him back to life in glory without suffering corruption.
- After Jesus was betrayed and arrested, Jesus had finished His work. The way Jesus trusted that God was in charge when He was being beaten and humiliated is exactly the way Jesus is commanding us to deny self.
- What the reality is is that when God is chastening, correcting or purifying us by fire we start fighting and binding the devil. One of what God uses the devil to do is purifying saints. God always get the devil to do the dirty job. Ours is to trust God’s workings and better still look on to Jesus. There truly would be days when God would appear silent. But remember, “For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal” 2 Corinthians 4:17-18. Also “There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful who would not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it” 1 Corinthians 10:13.

- Pray that you would always have a true believer to stand with you and lift you up with the right edifying words when you are down or feel weak because of pressures. This is God's command to every believer. We should all learn to stand together all the time especially in trying times. Jesus himself asked his disciples to stand to strengthen him in the time of need when they were in the garden of Gethsemane, but they slept.

THINGS TO SETTLE IN YOUR MIND

- Self is the kingdom that was established when man fell in the Garden of Eden. Self is the kingdom that God must remove for Gods kingdom to come, the idol referred to in Ezekiel 36:25. You cannot die to self by yourself. Self cannot overcome self. If we could Jesus would not have come. The cross is a place of absolute surrender. Apostle Paul wrote, "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:" Philippians 1:6.
- Jesus' primary reason for giving the fivefold Ministry is to act as human guides. This guidance is about how we access and cooperate with the Holy Spirit in his work as a helper for our sanctification. It is therefore important to have a full grasp of what God means that no one would have to teach his neighbour or brother to know God. He said he himself would do the teaching personally one on one. What God said is what God means. If the teaching is not about how to understand our role in working with the Holy Spirit so that he can transform us into the image of Jesus through our sanctification, that teaching is getting in the way. It would be the case of the blind leading the blind. The place of the cross is the place of absolute surrender to the Holy Spirit. Hence teaching must focus on surrender to God's Spirit.
- Jesus said "verily I say unto you, whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as little child shall in no wise enter therein." Luke 18:17. Smith Wigglesworth calls it a babe spirit. In Peter A. Madden's book The Wigglesworth Standard, he commented that

“In the quest of Christian maturity, many have made the mistake of correlating it to natural maturity and have lost the BABE SPIRIT. Christian maturity is the total opposite of the world’s view. Natural maturity is when a man or woman becomes independent, but spiritual maturity is when we become totally dependent on God”

- “And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven” Matthew 18:3. Jesus in this teaching was referring to those who were listening to him and who were probably born again or soon to be born again.
- The crucial message is this; we should imagine ourselves like little children when approaching God on any subject matter especially when seeking the fullness of God.
- The blessing of the new covenant is bestowed. “For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.” Philippians 2:13. How we can cooperate with God is what we should find out. In John Bevere’s “A HEART ABLAZE”, he commented that “The work of holiness is a cooperative effort Between the DEITY and us.”
- We must approach the New Covenant with the foundation of trust. “Faithfull is he that calleth you, who also will do it.” 1Thessalonians 5:24. God instituted and ratified the new covenant in which he said what he would do. He said he would because we couldn’t. All Gods promises both in the Old and New Testament have all been secured for us with the blood of Jesus. This is the mind God want us to have.
- God wants us to know that it is possible to live a sin free life because that is the life we are saved to live. When your desire to live this life leads you to seek the kingdom of God, which is a sin free life, you would discover what you need to do and give it your all because you have the helper the Holy Spirit to make it happen. Jesus has guaranteed that this come to pass with his blood.

- Jesus would have you settle it in your precious mind that when He defeated Satan, you defeated Satan. The evidence is the blood of Jesus. “I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless, I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith of the son of God, who love me, and gave himself for me” Galatians 2:20. This means you are not a figure head ambassador. When you say anything, Jesus wants you to be conscious that He is the one using your mouth. It is not you talking, it is Jesus [God the son] who has all the power in heaven and earth, as long as what you are saying is in the word of God interpreted by the Holy Spirit, and with heaven’s eternal purpose. Heaven’s eternal purpose is God’s will.
- Your hatred for sin must be as much as Gods hatred for sin. Sin makes God powerless for us, obedience gives God strength on our behalf.
- Everything in heaven and on earth has been reconciled. “And having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.” Colossians 1:20. Reconciliation means that everything the first Adam lost in the Garden of Eden, Jesus has paid for its restoration and redemption. This means creation is suppose to function the way it is supposed to function before the devil showed up. Reconciliation also translates to rectification. The defeat of the devil and his cohort is a reconciliation of his defeat the same way reconciliation or rectification of account is done. The debt has been paid, and in full. “Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly triumphing over them in it.” Colossians 2:14-15.
- We are minsters of reconciliation because of the blood of Jesus that ratified God’s will for our lives. Every word of God has been ratified. This means it must do what the word of God says. As ministers called to be kings and priest, our first duty is to minister with the blood of Jesus, without which the Holy Spirit cannot

move. We can and should minister with the blood on all things in heaven and in earth. It is our duty as an extension of Jesus on earth.

- One prayer we can all pray for our enemies and never go wrong is the prayer of 1 Thessalonians 5v23, that God should sanctify all those who hate us spirit, soul and body. This prayer is God's will revealed, and it protects one from the activities of the enemies of the saints especially those who have gained control over their own spirit and are using it to fight against God and his children.
- Any prayer that does not pass the quality control of heaven would be used by the devil. That prayer has not fulfilled God's plan, hence not in faith. If it is not faith, it is sin.
- If you are in Christ old things have passed away, all things are new. [2 Corinthians 5:17] It is important that you don't allow anyone or teaching connect you to your old life. You become what you believe. When God said all things are new, it means all things are new. Old things may show up if you sin and don't repent immediately, but once you repent, regardless of physical manifestations, do not accept any report or ideas that God did not say. If God did not say it, it is a lie and must be treated as such.
- The true meaning of prosperity is God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit [the fullness of God] in your spirit as a born again believer, in your soul [that is your mind, will and emotion] and in your body. The good news is that, this is what Jesus paid for with his blood so that every believer, not pastors or Apostles and prophets but everyone who believes and seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness should have.
- Wisdom, prosperity, healing and good health, good marriages, godly children and success in this life, assurance of making it to heaven after fulfilling your destiny, passion with genuine hunger and thirst for God are all wrapped up in seeking this kingdom.
- Prayers that our enemies be sanctified, is prayer to open their eyes to the need for sanctification. God does not sanctify anyone against his will.

CHAPTER 5

WHAT IS OUR ROLE? WHAT TO DO

- Believe in Jesus, the word of God. “This is the work of God, that ye believe in him whom he hath sent.” John 6:29
- Because you believe you play your part by obeying Gods commandments.
- “Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing to word of truth”. 2 Timothy 2:15. This admonition to study to show yourself approved is actually a commandment which cannot be negotiated. It is a commandment for every individual who desire to succeed in life. No one is exempted
- The Holy Spirit approves those who study with anointing which teaches. The end of which is fullness of God.
- Seeking is work. Seeking means inquiring to know what exactly to do.
- Seeking must be done diligently. Hebrews 11:6.
- Do what the apostles did. This means seeking till you find, asking until it is given, knock until it is opened. “Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened”. Matthew 7:7-8.
- Jesus Christ is making it clear to all that the offer of the good news of asking and receiving is free for all. Failure to receive is not dependent on God but on the individual believer. We would not be able to blame Pastors or ministries for not making it. It Is DO IT YOURSELF {DIY} with the help of the Holy Spirit whose only task is to help you. Ours is to learn through study [which involves meditation] how to surrender to the Holy Spirit for him to do his work.
- Humility is the virtue that connects us to help from God. God dwells only with the humble. “For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the

high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.” Isaiah 57:15.

- It is wisdom to pursue humility, find out what humility is and what does not constitute humility. No humility no fullness of God or sonship.
- The place of hunger and thirst is very crucial. Only those who hunger and thirst would attain fullness. “Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled.” Matthew 6:6
- “Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price” Isaiah 55:1. The wine represents the anointing of the Holy Spirit just as the water which also represents the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the water of the word of God. The milk is the word for those who need the milk of the word. See 1 Peter 2:2.
- “For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my Spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thy offspring:” Isaiah 44:3. This is a promise that comes with the condition which is thirst. This also connotes desperate seeking with all earnestness.
- Crucial to this message as with every single new covenant promise is this, if you are not thirsty you can’t create thirst by yourself. That would be flesh. You may have to pray for hunger and thirst. It can only be bestowed. You can’t earn it lest you boast about it. Your effort in prayer would be rewarded because God rewards only the diligent.
- Kenneth Hagin Senior used to teach “Start in the flesh, finish in the spirit”. Just as the man at the pool of Bethesda responded to Jesus’ call to “Rise, take up your bed, and walk” [John 5:8] heaven responds only when we’ve played our part. Revival is always a response to the activities of saints on earth.

- The cross that Jesus calls all to embrace is absolute surrender to the Holy Spirit. But without God the Holy Spirit absolute surrender is not possible. “For without me you can do nothing.” John 15:5b.
- The Holy Spirit’s mission is to bring the body of Christ into unity. Unity of faith is unity in sanctification. The disparity between God’s vision for His church and individual visions which many ministers and ministries call their vision is the main root cause of the existence of several denominations in the body of Christ. It is more than certain that there are no denominations in heaven. Denominations have no place in God’s glorious church. The existence of denominations is the clearest evidence of absence of unity. We simply have separate agenda whilst we hide under the guise of God’s vision for our ministries. God has only one vision for the Church. It is that everyone become like his son. This is the glorious Church. A glorious church would be established through unity in sanctification [Spirit, Soul, and Body] of everyone in the body of Christ. “Till we all come in the unity of faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:” Ephesians 4:13
- The bench mark is the Image of Christ. It is good to emulate ministers who emulate Jesus, but the person to behold is Jesus. We become who we behold. “But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord”. 2 Corinthians 3:18
- Pray until you are changed. The New Covenant must be prayed through. Derek Prince in his book Secrets of a Prayer Warrior said “We are a Kingdom of priests, and as such we are called to pray. What is the ultimate goal of our prayers? That the true Church will stand victorious, complete, ready for the return of Jesus”. This is the message Jesus was communicating with the story of the unrighteous Judge and the importune woman. We ought to pray and not faint. See Luke 18:1-8

- The day of the Pentecost baptism was a result of continuous prayers in unity of spirit and mind. Every revival since then has been birthed by the same principle. The promise of outpouring of the spirit without which there would be no convictions, repentance and restoration as with any promise of God came with conditions. “Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, where is their God? Then will the LORD be jealous for his land and pity his people. Yea the LORD will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you corn and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen:” Joel 2:15- 19.
- When the above is done by the church, God has stated what his response would be. Restoration, blessing and outpouring of the Spirit. God’s glory would be seen. We would manifest for all to see.
- We need to come together for a common purpose with fasting and praying for Gods glory.
- The manifestation of sons and daughters, kingdom of God, fullness of God and glory would become a reality in the church of Jesus Christ. It is a choice that must be purposefully made by every believer whether you are a minister or not. This would come as a result of concerted purposeful prayer. We would be obeying the commandment of Jesus that says “But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness: and all these things shall be added unto you” Matthew 6v33.
- This commandment has not changed. Seeking FIRST is what we must do.
- There is blessing in unity. Psalm 133. The blessing is too good to ignore. It can only be bestowed.

- The glory must be seen. It is the revelation of Christ in us. “Every valley shall be exalted, every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see together: for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it” Isaiah 40:4-5. These activities prophetically are talking about the spirit and soul of those who believe. The spirits and souls of human beings are full of valleys [Depressions] and mountains [flesh or sin nature and other obstacles to the fullness of God]
- “ARISE, shine; for thy light has come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.” Isaiah 60:1-2
- It is clear that it is glory only when it is visible for all to see. The revelation of Christ in the believer is the glory. Jesus is the light that would come. “Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have light of life” John 8:12. Jesus is the glory that arises in anyone that believes. He is the brightness of Gods glory [See Hebrews 1:3].
- We have entered the last dispensation. It is the dispensation of the fullness of God. We are on our way to Unity of faith.
- This dispensation is waiting for the remnant who would hear the trumpet call.
- This dispensation is awaiting “the crucified ones.”

MAJOR PRAYERS TO BE PRAYED BY ALL BELIEVERS

- 1 Pray for total sanctification according to 1 Thessalonians 5v23, Romans 8v23 and Philippians 3v21.
- 2 Pray for the Indwelling Christ according to John 14v23.
- 3 Pray for the fulfilment of all Gods promises in his word.

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