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Wonderful God I thank You. I praise You for the mighty power in the blood of Jesus. Thank You because we overcame the devil by the blood of the Lamb and by the Word of our testimonies. Thank You for Your mighty hand of authority and Your power which is above all powers. Accept our thanks, in the name of Jesus.

Wonderful God, I ask for a mighty visitation. I pray that the reader of this book shall be a candidate of blessing. I pray for those who have been traveling on the pathway of hell fire, receive deliverance, in the name of Jesus. Let Your mighty hands be upon the readers of this book, in Jesus' name I pray. Amen!

DRAWERS OF POWER FROM THE HEAVENLIES

chapter one POWER AGAINST THE SATANIC CALENDAR

THE POWERS OF THE DAY AND NIGHT

A lot of things are going on in the world of which the average man is completely ignorant. Many things happen during the day and night which most of us are not aware of or know anything about. People just go about only to experience problems without having knowledge of the sources of these problems. Many people suffer today because of gross Ignorance concerning what is actually going on in the spiritual realm.

Some of the stubborn problems that men are struggling today were actually programmed Into human lives through certain hidden powers. These powers carry out their activities in the day and in the night through association with very powerful spiritual strongholds. The Importance of this message is to show you that many problems are caused by powers which rule the day and the night. These

powers have continued to perpetrate all forms of wickedness in the lives of millions, if not billions of men and women. You will experience a great change in your life the moment you begin to understand and control the powers that rule the day and the night.

The powers I am referring to in this place are the powers of the sun, the moon, the stars and the elements. Yes, God created these entities, but as it is with most satanic weapons, there has been a perversion of what God intended for our good. The powers of darkness have continued to make illegal use of these powers against multitudes.

THE CREATION

Why did God create the sun and the moon, what was God's purpose, and how are satanic agents making use of the powers of the sun and the moon today?

To answer these questions, we shall take a journey Into the Scriptures and find out what God intended at the beginning of creation.

Our first Scripture shall be taken from Genesis 1:14-19;

"And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: And

let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were the fourth day."

God created the sun to rule the day and the moon to rule the night. The sun controls the day and the moon controls the night. In other words, there are some forces that control the day while there are forces that rule the night and many people have been struck down by these forces.

THE SUN AND THE MOON

The earth and other planets travel round the sun. Without the heat and light of the sun, there would be no life on earth. Plants use sunlight from the sun to make food which people and animals eat. The sun is 150 million miles away, but the temperature of any place on earth depends on the position of the sun in the sky. The length of a day depends on the time it takes the sun to return to a particular place in the sky as it rotates.

The moon travels round the earth. The words month and Monday originate from the old English word for moon. The moon gives no light of its own, it shines by reflecting sunlight. Since ancient times, people have measured time by the phases of the moon.

The moon controls the level of rivers and this is why witchcraft is more complicated than we think. It has to do with the heavens, the sun, the moon, and the stars.

These elemental powers are united, although they act and look contradictory.

The sun and the moon are forces over which we have no physical control. The sun is so important that the Lord is called "A sun and a shield."

Spiritually, the sun represents open physical assaults of the enemy which are visible" and scorching like the beams of the sun. The moon represents Invisible, secret, treacherous, and seemingly harmless mental assaults by the enemy.

The moon derives its power from the sun. The effect of the sun is always prominent because of its brightness and heat, while that of the moon looks harmless and even desirable, there by representing two classes of enemies:

1. Open and prominent enemies,

2. Secret and harmless looking enemies.

The sun and the moon can also be said to represent **known** and **unknown evil**.

How do powers of darkness succeed in making use of evil demonic forces to attack men and women by day and night? The Bible says in Psalm 121:1-6;

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night."

This passage is an eye opener in that it shows us that, there are evils in the night and in the day.

In other words, it shows that the sun can smite by day while the moon can smite by night. There are forces that operate with the powers of the sun and the moon and these powers perform evil assignments in the lives of their victims.

The fact that evil powers draw and utilise the power of the sun and the moon in order to destroy and attack human beings as well as inanimate objects is further brought out in the Book of Judges 5:20;

"They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera."

It is clear that the devil often tries to counterfeit whatever God does. Therefore, the devil has been drawing upon the powers of the heavens and the elements to fight man. The stars fought against Sisera at God's command. The devil is still fighting against people today by manipulating the powers of the heavenlies. .

Isaiah 27:3 provides more insight in this direction;

"I the LORD do keep it; I will water it every moment: lest any hurt it, I will keep it night and day."

This passage shows us that, man is prone to danger in the night and in the day. The Lord has decided to protect His people because He is aware of the fact that, there are wicked people who tap the power of the moon and the sun, using it to harm people in the day and in the night. That is why He categorically stated that, "I will keep you night and day."

I hope the picture is becoming clearer to you now. So far, we have discovered that God initially created the sun, the moon and the stars to rule over the day and the night, but the devil and his agents have established demonic strongholds which draw their powers from the sun, the moon, and the stars. Human beings today are now drawing power from the heavenlies and using it to cause havoc in the world.

The sun and the moon were created by the Almighty to perform some specific functions. However, the devil has succeeded in

making use of the power of the sun, the moon, and the stars as weapons of destruction or attack.

The Bible says in Psalm 91:5-6;

"Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday."

The forces of the night are terror and pestilence, while the forces of the day are evil arrows and destruction. All these are evil powers that can be programmed against people. They know that once you can program evil into the moon and the stars, you can control these evil forces and set them against man.

The power of terror has been programmed into the night, while the power of pestilence has been programmed into the day by the devil. Satanic arrows have been programmed into the day and destruction has also been programmed into the day, particularly noon day.

All these powers which I have described so far can be programmed against us. The ancient people who did not know God were sufficiently aware of the enormous power which resided in the realm of the sun, the moon, and the stars. They knew the secret and therefore opted to worship the sun, the moon, and the stars. They knew that the sun rules by the day and the moon rules by night, therefore, most of their festivals centered around the worship of the god of the sun, the moon, and the stars.

It is unfortunate but true, that some of the Christian festivals which we have accepted today took their roots from the worship of these heavenly bodies. Christmas for example started historically from the worship of the sun god by the ancients.

Those who served the devil as well as those who lived several years ago seem to know more than the modern man. Satanic agents know that once you can program evil into the sun, the moon, and the stars, you can cause a lot of damage in this physical world. These wicked people actually know what they are doing. They know that you can control the forces of terror, pestilence, and arrows, and convert them to weapons of destruction.

There are people in this country as well as other nations of the world who have contact with these evil powers from the heavenlies. These people are the brain behind all kinds of sicknesses, destruction, evil attacks, poverty, problems, crises, and troubles which plague the life of man. These satanic agents operate by drawing their power from the heavenlies and hanging it there. So, when they come into contact with you, they become so stubborn to deal with since their power is attached to the sun, the moon, and the stars.

You must know how to deal with people who make use of the powers of the sun, the moon, and the stars. You need to identify the sources and the locations of their powers in order to deal with them. That is why cases which take their roots from the heavenlies must be dealt with through spiritual insight.

A woman dragged her daughter to a revival service asking us to conduct deliverance for her. The mother pleaded with us passionately saying, "Please, help me. Look at my daughter, although she looks very young, yet she's a witch. She places her legs on the walls when she sleeps. She sleeps in an unnatural way every night and once she sleeps, you cannot wake her up until 3.00 a.m. in the night. She has used her power to destroy everything in the family. That's why I have brought her to you for a deliverance ministration."

The girl looked up and smiled at me saying, "I know that you are a man of God, but I want to tell you that deliverance is not possible today." I ignored what she was saying and told her to close her eyes for prayer. I went into prayer saying, "O Lord, reveal whatever is making this young girl to be so confident."

The Lord told me that the young girl was hanging her power outside the church on top of a tree and that was what made her confident that nothing was going to happen. She knew that no minister would succeed in delivering her as long as her power was hung on that tree. As soon as the Lord gave me that information, I knew that her case was indeed, a very simple one. I commanded the power to come back into her from where it was hung, and I went ahead to command fire to come upon her. Then, hell was let loose as the demons in her reacted violently. She became free within a very short time.

The secret of the success of that deliverance can be traced to the fact that I knew where she was hiding her power. I'm sure you can learn a lesson from this incident. This shows that people can hide their powers in the heavenly realm, withdraw and utilize them at will. You could have a housemaid who hangs her power in the heavenlies and brings it down to use against you at will.

I want you to close your eyes and take this prayer point right now: **Every dark power, hidden in the heavenlies against me, I pull you down, in the name of Jesus.**

There are people in this country as well as in other countries of Africa and beyond, who program the names of their colleagues into evil materials and suspend these materials either in the ceilings, on top of trees, or in any other places. They come out every morning to invoke wicked curses on their victims saying: "You shall remain suspended just as this object is suspended in mid-air." Such people will continue to float throughout their lives on earth.

I want you to pray another prayer point: **Any evil power floating or hanging against me, I bring you down, in the name of Jesus.**

I had an experience recently in a plane. All kinds of music are generally played in an aircraft and passengers have no control over the type of music which is played. Reggae music was being played in the plane I boarded. The musician started by saying that he was going to sing the song of redemption. That attracted my attention and I decided to listen to what he was saying.

The man got to a point that struck my heart when he said, "How long shall they kill our prophets while we stand around and watch?" It is actually true that lots of prophets have been killed by satanic agents who draw power from the heavenlies. Our forefathers were actually conscious of the fact that a lot of their counterparts were drawing power from the heavenlies.

Those who witnessed what happened some forty or fifty years ago knew that it is customary for our forefathers to talk to the ground, the rivers, and the sky. They knew that it is possible to program evil into those things, that was why they used those things against their victims.

It appears that most satanic agents tap their power from the sun. The sun is prominent because of the brightness and the intensity of its heat. The moon on the other hand look harmless and it is sometimes desirable.

Satanic agents have continued to draw their power from the sun, the moon, and the stars and they also hang their power there. The reason why they have continued to hang their powers there for so long is because we have continued to watch them without challenging them. it is high time we started challenging them!

STRATEGY PRAYER POINTS

How then can we challenge these powers? Senior students in the school of spiritual warfare will pray thus:

1. I speak unto the stars, the sun, and the moon to favour me, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every arrangement that sorcerers and witches have prepared against my day, be dismantled in Jesus' name.
3. Any evil thing programmed into the sun, the moon, and the stars against my life, be dismantled! in Jesus' name.

That is how to handle those who draw their power from the heavenlies. While senior students in the school of spiritual warfare are dealing with this power, junior students are still struggling with witches and wizards. Those who are found confessing to witchcraft on the streets are junior witches, key witches do not confess that way. These senior witches are well dressed, speak good English, use expensive perfumes and appear very elegant.

A brother once shared a testimony concerning what happened to him. He dreamt that his mother was a witch and decided to bring her from the village to a man of God's crusade because; this man of God has an anointing for dealing with those who have witchcraft spirits.

In his characteristic manner, the man of God asked all those who know that they are witches to rush to the altar. The brother became surprised when his mother did not join those who were rushing forward. The brother had to wisely tell his mother to please join those who were rushing forward, but she smiled and said, "These people are junior witches and wizards, there are a number of senior witches

and wizards like me in this place. It's not yet our turn. People like us can't join a bandwagon."

What that woman said shows that, those who have satanic powers are in various categories.

More prayer points:

4. Every negative thing written in the cycle of the moon against me, be blotted out! in the name of Jesus.
5. I shake off every season of frustration and failure, in the name of Jesus.
6. I dismantle every satanic calendar, in the name of Jesus.
7. Every evil word programmed against my star shall not be established, in the name of Jesus.
8. I terminate every evil agreement between my enemies and the heavenlies, in the name of Jesus.
9. Every evil handwriting, programmed by satanic agents into the heavenlies against my life, be wiped out by the blood of Jesus!
10. I retrench and frustrate satanic priests, ministering enchantment into the sun, the moon, and the star, in the name of Jesus.
11. I retrieve all my properties dedicated by powers of darkness to the sun, the moon, the stars, and the elements, in the name of Jesus.
12. You heavenlies, refuse to give reply to any satanic programming against my life, in the name of Jesus.

THE CALENDAR

The calendar is a system of measuring and recording the passage of time. A calendar is a necessary tool for preparing and planning your programme. Those who have weddings, birthdays, graduations, business appointments and other programmes and projects depend on the calendar to carry out these things. There are some people who will never be persuaded to come out on any Friday that falls on the thirteenth of the month because they believe that lots of evil are programmed into that day. Every calendar is linked with the sun, the moon, and the stars. The calendar is nature's time keeper.

The sun, the moon, and the stars are also nature's time keeper. Our present calendar is based on the time Christ was born. The calendar consists of a table showing the month, the weeks, and the days. It keeps account of time over long intervals. It is a schedule, a record, or a register. This is what a calendar is in the physical realm.

In the same vein, the enemies can also schedule people's lives using them as victims to operate their evil calendar. Evil altars can be mounted upon heavenly bodies like the stars, the moon, and the sun and utilized to subject a person to the consequences of an evil calendar. A person can be said to be operating under an evil calendar when altars are mounted against the person's life in the sun, the moon and the stars.

Everybody has a star. The wise men didn't know Jesus, they followed His star to locate Him. It was His star that led them to where

He was. My prayer for you is that, every evil power following your star shall be disgraced, in the name of Jesus.

Wicked men and women can program evil into your star. Deborah, an Old Testament prophetess spoke words unto the heavenly bodies against an enemy of God. What Deborah did was to program the heavenly bodies and make the stars to fight against Sisera. That was how the stars fought against Sisera. Therefore, it is crystal clear that the heavenly bodies have ears.

Those who engage in star reading and astrology know so much about the potentials of these heavenly bodies. They also know how to program people's names into the stars. They program words into the heavenlies, they then go ahead to use the altars in the heavenlies as weapons of destruction against them. These evil altars are used to monitor, afflict, intimidate, and control their victims on earth.

A friend of mine once went to a prophet to pray, armed with the name of a girl whom he wanted to marry. The so called prophet said, "I saw a goat with a rope on Its neck. The goat became so aggressive and pulled off the rope and escaped into the bush." The prophet then went ahead to say that the girl to whom my friend wanted to get married was a goat. The prophet asked him to go away.

Six months later, the girl died. She wanted to carry out an abortion which was performed by a quack doctor. Things went out of hand

and she was rushed to the church. The prayer warriors gathered together and began to bind the spirit of 'stomach trouble' which she said was worrying her to no avail. One of the prayer warriors then told them to stop praying and find out what was really wrong with the girl. . She refused to disclose what she had done until she was about breathing her last breath. The lady had been programmed into a goat in the heavenly realm, that was why she died in those circumstances.

SIGNS OF DEMONIC PROGRAMMING

- **Invisible spiritual rope** - There are men and women who are having invisible spiritual ropes around their necks. Such people are always limited by the length size of the rope. Some students burn the midnight oil without knowing that they have been programmed spiritually into third class, or positions of failure.
- **Periodic sickness** - This is also programmed into people's lives.
- **Irrational behaviour** -There are husbands who suddenly descend on their wives and beat them up to a state of a coma. The quarrel is settled only for the couple to experience a re-occurrence of exactly the same incident.
- **Unreasonable sexual urge** -This is also programmed into people's lives to destroy them. A lot of people are programmed into dogs from the realm of the spirit.

- **Wishing oneself dead-** A lot of people pray for death, or nurse the thought of committing suicide without knowing that such things have been programmed into their lives in the spiritual realm. Such people suddenly get tired of living.
- **Unexplainable losses** - Mysterious losses are programmed into people's lives. Money, contracts and business opportunities which are meant to come to such people are diverted away mysteriously. That kind of misfortune is an evidence of wicked satanic programming.
- **Deep depression** -Some people experience deep, unexplainable depression. They suddenly get moody, depressed and sad. A lot of people are unhappy without being able to trace the reason behind their sadness. Such Instances are evidences of wicked programming.
- **Witchcraft marks on the body** - Some people discover witchcraft marks on their body without seeing anyone around them. Imagine someone who went to bed without any mark on her body, but wakes up in the morning to discover several marks on her body. Such marks are evidence of demonic programming.
- **Abnormal voices** -There are people who hear strange voices without seeing any living soul around them.

Something happened during a brother's wedding. He collapsed suddenly while marching towards the vestry to sign the marriage

register and members of the prayer warrior prayed for him until he came back to life. When he was revived, what he said baffled all the people around him. He said he heard someone calling his name, and that was how he lost consciousness. Who called his name? Of course, that was an evidence of wicked satanic programming. .

- **Broken home** - Some men abandon their wives and go ahead to marry women who have already had three husbands with children in the three places. That kind of action did not just happen, it was programmed. Such a man would only experience freedom when those who are concerned decree that the heavenlies should release him.

HOW TO DEAL WITH THEM

- **Recognise the existence of these powers** - Do not allow yourself to be deceived, saying that you do not believe what you cannot see. Whether you believe it or not, these powers actually exist and are actively destroying lives and properties.
- **Know why they are against you** - It could be that you are a threat to them. Maybe they know that your star is meant to shine. They could also be against you because they know that you are likely to become a major financier of the gospel. These and other reasons could be responsible for the existence of strongholds in the heavenlies against your life.

- **Submission to God** - You can only overcome these powers through submission to the Almighty.
- **Pray effective prayers** - Your prayers must be prophetic. Prayers must be well targeted and effective. Ask God to show you where the attacks are coming from.
- **Withdraw your name from their program.**
- **Possess all your possessions.**
- **Deal with the satanic priest operating the evil calendar.**
- **Speak unto the heavenlies to reject any evil word programmed against you by sorcerers, diviners, and enchanterers.**

Finally, you must make up your mind that you are not going to allow any satanic calendar or evil program to prosper in your life. You must cancel whatever the devil has tried to program into the heavenly realm against your life.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Every wicked war, working against me, I overthrow you, in the name of Jesus.
2. (Point your finger to the sky as you take this prayer point) Every negative thing, programmed into the sun and the moon against me, be dismantled now! in Jesus' name.

3. Every power programming evil into my star, fall down! in the name of Jesus.
4. I come by faith to Mount Zion, Lord, command deliverance upon my life, in the name of Jesus.
5. O Lord, water me with the waters from God.
6. Let the careful siege of the enemy be dismantled now! in the name of Jesus.
7. Let the handwriting of ordinances programmed by satanic agents into the heavenlies against me be wiped out by the blood of Jesus.
8. Every satanic priest ministering enchantment into the sun, the moon, and the stars, fall down and die! in Jesus' name.
9. I recover all my virtues dedicated to the elements, in the name of Jesus.
10. You heavens and the elements, turn against every satanic programmer, in the name of Jesus.
11. Let the heavens declare the glory of God over my life, in the name of Jesus.

DRAWERS OF POWER FROM THE HEAVENLIES

chapter two **DRAWERS OF POWER FROM THE HEAVENLIES**

The nature of this message requires that we take some prayer points as a prelude and as a form of preparation for what God is going to do in our lives.

1. Every serpentine area of my life, be cleared by the fire of God, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every serpent that has refused to let me go, Holy Ghost fire, dry them up! in the name of Jesus.
3. *(Lay your hands on your stomach as you take this prayer point)* I cancel the poison of Leviathan, in Jesus' name.
4. Every power of Leviathan over my life, I break you, in the name of Jesus.
5. Every serpentine idol in my family, I break your link with my family, in the name of Jesus.
6. No serpent shall control my life, in the name of Jesus.

7. Every serpent fired into my life, go back to your sender, in the name of Jesus.
8. Every dreaming serpent, go back to your sender, in the name of Jesus.

A lot of things are going on in the world which may sound strange to men and women. A woman did something strange and terrible a few years ago. She got angry with her three children and decided to deal with them in a crude manner. She came out early in the morning between 6.30 and 7.30 and invoked the powers of darkness in order to deal with them. She came out stark naked, looked up to heaven, held her two breasts and mentioned the names of each of the children saying, "If the three of you sucked these breasts, let the sun smite you."

As soon as she was done with invoking the curse on them, she spat towards the heavenlies three times and went into her room. Exactly one week later, she repeated the same procedure not minding who was looking at her.

The woman's first son who was residing in America was shot dead one week later. The second son was executed while the third child, who happened to be a lady also died during child birth in America. The woman's three children died one after another within three weeks. To make matters worse, the corpses of these three children were brought home around the same time. The neighbours thought that she was going to cry uncontrollably, but they were shocked to

discover that not a drop of tear came from her eyes. All the woman kept saying was, "They have learnt their lesson." What did the woman do? She drew evil power from the heavenlies and used it to carry out destruction against her own children.

Another strange event also occurred some years ago. An old man died and his children took him out for a final bathe before lying his corpse in state. What shocked them was that, each time they took him out for a bath, he begins to breathe again and he would later start talking. That was what he did the first, second, and third time.

Neighbours and family members became frightened; they were at a loss concerning what to do. In fact, they got tired of the man who was dying and coming back to life. However, one of the old man's children who was not around throughout the time the man was dying and waking came from Lagos. As soon as the young man got there, he was greeted with the news of how his father had been dying and coming back to life. He simply smiled and said, "How many times has that happened?" "Three times", they told him.

He then told them, "That's no big deal, it's a very simple case. Immediately the sun comes out tomorrow, take daddy's corpse out and bathe him. Then he won't wake up again." The old man was still breathing when they dragged him outside and his face was turned up towards the sun. That was how he breathed his last and never woke up again. Why did it happen that way? It is simply because; that old man had a covenant with the sun. He refused to die

because; he had a covenant with the heavenlies. That was his source of power. To understand this fact, we need to go through some relevant passages in the Scriptures.

Genesis 1:14-16; "And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also."

This passage shows us how God created the sun, the moon, and the stars and placed them in the heavenlies. If you go through the entire chapter, you will discover that God gave man dominion over all His creation.

By virtue of this divine mandate, God expected man to rule over everything which He created. This is made very plain in Psalm 8:1,4-8; **"O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens..."**

What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet: All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field; The fowl of the air, and

the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas."

Man has dominion over the sun, the moon, and the stars. It is unfortunate however, that children of the Most High God are ignorant of their exalted position.

Satan had insights into all things when he was with God in heaven. He has gone behind us to give information to his own children concerning the heavenlies. That is why his children are now using the power of the heavenlies against us. Satan had been with God and he had understood the workings of heaven. He has therefore let his own followers into the secrets. He made them to know that they can draw power from the heavenlies and use it against man.

God is giving you a wonderful revelation in this book concerning how men and women are converting the powers of the heavenlies into weapons of wickedness. The knowledge which you are gaining should make you to rise like a giant to pull down demonic forces which operate from the heavenlies. Moses had been holding his rod for forty years, and it was that same rod that he lifted up to the sky. Let us read from the Scriptures. Exodus 10:21;

"And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness which may be felt"

Moses drew power from the heavenlies with the rod of God in his hand.

The ancients were also drawing their own power from the heavenlies. Gen. 11:1-4;

"And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech. And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there. And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

What they were doing attracted the attention of God, but what was God's reaction to what they were doing?

Gen. 11:5-6;

"And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded. And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do."

Verses 7-9; "Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off

to build the city. Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth."

The people who were building the tower of Babel knew what they were doing. They knew what they stood to gain by building a tower as high as that. The men were not so dumb and foolish as to undertake such a magnificent task without a tangible benefit in view. What those men wanted to do was to build a place high enough to enable them continue their worship of the sun, the moon, and the stars.

A tower that touches the heavens would have made it easier for them to practice their moon worship. That would also have made them to be able to draw power from the heavenlies. That was why God had to come down to scatter them and destroy their evil ambition.

Do you know that the tower which the men of the Bible days were trying to build are still being built by the modern man today? Nowadays, some churches try to imitate the tower of Babel in the construction of their worship centers or buildings. They build iron-like structures which point towards heaven. That kind of structure took its origin from the sun god. It is called Obelisk. Historically, the obelisk is used to represent the male reproductive organ. They believe that the sun can make things fruitful like the male reproductive organ. They

therefore decided to make it part of the structure of their worship buildings.

However, there is something behind that style of construction. It is basically used to draw power from the heavenlies. If you read about sun images in the Bible, what was referred to is the Obelisk. The children of the devil are well informed as regards the importance of this structure.

The Bible says in Deuteronomy 17:2,3,5; "If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, in transgressing his covenant, And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded; ... Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, unto thy gates, even that man or that woman, and shalt stone them with stones, till they die."

Why was God so drastic about the practice of the people we have just read about? Why was God unhappy about the worship of the sun, the moon, and the stars? It is simply because they are drawing power from the heavenly hosts. I'm sure you will agree with me that those who are standing at the pinnacle of a very high building will

generally have a better view of what is going on more than someone who is 'standing at the base of the building.

Those who have access to the heavenlies generally draw a lot of power from there. Joshua.10:12-13;

"Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon. And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day."

Joshua understood the fact that there was immense power in the heavenlies. Through the power of God upon him, he controlled the power of the sun and the moon. He spoke to the sun and the moon and his command was obeyed. This shows us that, the moon, the sun, and the stars are neutral. They are capable of being tilted towards the positive or the negative.

Job 38: 12; **"Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days; and caused the dayspring to know his place."**

There is a very strong link between what Joshua did and what the Bible commanded in the Book of Job. There is a spiritual principle which can be positively put to use by those who are well taught on

the power of the heavenly realm. Here is a spiritual principle; you can command the sun, the moon, and the stars to remain in their place.

There is a lot of wickedness in the heavenlies, but if you know how to command the morning, you will control the whole day.

This same fact is reiterated in Job 38:31-34;

Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion? Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons? Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth? Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that abundance of waters may cover thee?

Here, God is asking very important questions. Do you know how to command the morning so that it can shake wickedness out of the earth? Do you know the ordinances of heaven? Do you know how to exercise dominion over the host of heaven?.

The fact that powers can be drawn from the heavenly realm has remained unknown to many people, yet it is clearly declared in the Scriptures. Psalm 147:4 says; **"He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names."**

The stars have names. Unfortunately, those who operate in the demonic world call stars by names and use the power to do evil. The fact that satanic agents are illegally making use of what God created

does not mean that we should not seek to understand the positive powers that reside in the heavenlies.

We are also given further insights in Judges 5:20;

"They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera."

There was a war involving the children of Israel and the armies of their enemies. Sisera had one hundred chariots of iron. He was indeed, a formidable enemy. The stars fought against Sisera until he became confused. He escaped to the house of a woman in Israel who finally killed him.

1 King 17:1; "And Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, As the LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word."

What was the secret behind Elijah's statement? Elijah knew how to draw power from the heavenly realm. He simply locked up heaven saying that there would be no rain and there was not rain for three and a half years and the king could not do anything to him. Elijah knew his rights. He therefore called for a contest between him and the prophets of Baal. Elijah knew that he was in control. That was why he dictated the terms of the power encounter between him and the prophets of Baal.

The prophets of Baal worshiped the sun. He knew that being a prophet of God, he had power and anointing to exercise control over

the heavenly realm. He also knew that he was operating at a level that is higher than theirs; he even went as far as making jest of the prophets of Baal. In spite of the fact that there was no water around, he ordered them to go and fetch water when it came to his turn to demonstrate the power of God.

Then he looked towards heaven and commanded the heavens to send rain. Where did the fire that fell on the altar come from, from where did he lock up the rain, when he sent his servant to check up what was happening, where did the servant look up to? The answer to all these questions is the heavenlies.

The heavens opened and gave rain after seven sessions of prayer. Seven of course, is a symbol of perfection. Fire came and rain also fell from heaven. One man who knew how to draw the power of God from the heavenlies made the enemies jittery. Hezekiah wanted to know whether he would live or die. He therefore decided to find out from the Lord.

2nd Kings 20:9-10; **"And Isaiah said, This sign shalt thou have of the LORD, that the LORD will do the thing that he hath spoken: shall the shadow go forward ten degrees, or go back ten degrees? And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten degrees: nay, but let the shadow return backward ten degrees."**

Hezekiah requested that the sun be turned backward ten degrees. That was another man who understood how to make use of the

power of the heavenlies.

Jeremiah 10:2; "Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them,"

The Bible says that the heathen are frightened by the signs of heaven simply because; they misinterpret those signs to their detriment. They are conscious of the fact that there is power in the heavenlies.

Let us also look at another passage in the New Testament Matthew 27:45; **"Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour."**

When Jesus was on the cross, something happened that shook the whole universe. There was total darkness from 12.00 noon until 3.00 o'clock in the evening. What happened was that the powers of the heavens were being shaken.

Let us also check another important passage concerning what shall happen when the Lord will come again.

Matthew 24:29; "Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:"

These are the same powers some people are drawing from and converting into demonic use today. The powers of heavens exist in

the heavenly realm. This is what the Psalmist declared in Psalm 19:1-3;

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard."

This passage reveals a lot about the power of the heavenlies. The heavenly bodies are speaking day after day and night after night. The heavenlies echo secrets from one night to another. They also reveal lots of knowledge. Day and night are always revealing secrets and bringing out dark knowledge.

If somebody is drawing power from the heavenlies, he can attack you even if you run away to Switzerland or America. Their speech is heard all over the earth. Their line is drawn out through all the earth. Therefore, they are able to pass their message to every country of the world. God has set a tabernacle for the sun. This means that the sun is a separate entity. It is also likened to a bridegroom coming out of his kingdom. The sun is like a radiant bridegroom. What this means is that those who draw powers from the heavenlies are able to renew the problems of their victims through the power of the sun which comes out fresh everyday.

The sun comes out like a man who is eager to run a race, going forth from the end of the heaven. There is nothing hid from the heat of the sun (Psalm 19:4-6). That is why demonic agents resort to the sun as

a means of attacking their victims since every living human being is within the reach of the sun. Even the living and the non-living things which are underneath the depth of the sea are also affected by the sun. The heat of the sun affects everything on earth.

Can you now see why demonic agents rush to the sun to receive their evil power? Can you now see why you must take the prayer points against drawers of power from the heavenlies with holy madness?

The passages we have read so far revealed a lot of things to us. I am sure you have read those passages in the Bible without gaining as much insight as you have gained in this book.

SUMMARY

1. Although the heavens are above our head, we know very little about the heavenly hosts.
2. Satan had worked very hard to pervert the sun, the moon, and the stars and converted them to his own wicked use. Therefore, there must be some underlying purposes and truths that God has for us in the heavenlies.
3. The early civilizations were preoccupied with the heavenlies because; they could draw powers from there.
4. Both positive and negative powers have been drawn from the heavenlies.

5. There are three heavens: The first heaven is the atmospheric heaven. The second heaven is the satanic headquarters-it is in this realm that you will find what the Bible calls "spiritual wickedness in high places." You also have spiritual check points in that realm. The strongman which is attached to every family operates in that realm. The third heaven is the abode of God.

6. There are secret divine messages hidden in the stars and in the heavenlies.

7. The early man had a sophisticated knowledge of God.

8. The most wicked of men draw powers from the heavenlies. These people have made the sun, the moon, and the stars their stronghold of power. They also draw power from spiritual wickedness in high places.

9. Once a person's problem has been programmed into the heavenlies, deliverance cannot solve that kind of problem. You can only solve that kind of problem by shaking the problem from the foundation, which is located in the heavenlies.

If you recall the story I told you at the beginning of this chapter, you will discover that the wicked mother programmed the death of her children into the sun. Even if those children were Christians, they would have died. The only thing that would have exempted them from such sudden deaths is knowledge of how to deal with the heavenlies.

There are many Christians who have died in that manner, they just collapsed suddenly. However, if a believer knows how to deal with those-who draw power from the heavenlies, that kind of power will not prosper in his or her life. Once a person's problem is programmed into the heavenlies, it becomes a stubborn problem.

10. Since the heavenlies look down on the affairs of men, no one can escape their attack. The only way of escape is to know how to deal with the heavenlies.

11. There are some areas of God's power that we have not yet explored. No wonder God lamented, ***"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."***

12. Man lost the authority to rule the heavenlies when he fell because of sin.

13. There are lots of sun, moon, and star worshipers today.

14. Every sorcerer, Witch-doctor, or fetish priest draw his powers from the sun, the moon, and the stars.

There are millions of people all over the world who draw powers from the heavenlies. When you deal with the heavenlies, you are dealing with enemies not only on their own terms, but on terms that are above them. Men may face the heavens and issue curses or make incantations in order to deal with their victims. All these things started in Babylon, spread into Egypt, and spilled over to all past and present civilizations.

14. Whoever controls the heavenlies, controls what happens on earth. Therefore, if anyone says that he is hanging his charms in the heavenlies, like many Nigerians are now doing, such people will end up destroying lives and properties.

The worship of the sun was such a popular demonic activity that our Sunday took its name from the sun. Again, when somebody is mad, people say that such a person is a lunatic. The word 'lunatic' is taken from the word 'Lunar', which is the moon. They believe that people suffer mental problems when the moon comes out. The time the moon comes out has been generally associated with fighting, violence, rape, witchcraft and other vices.

If there is an idol in your family which has connection with the heavenlies, you must handle the prayer points which are written below with seriousness. The purpose of the prayer point is for you to declare like this, "O sun, moon and stars, whatever enchanters, diviners, idol worshipers, and my ancestors have programmed into you concerning me, be broken! in the name of Jesus."

You cannot afford to dismiss these things with a wave of the hand. Hard core unbelievers are not ignorant of these things. They carry out their wicked assignments by drawing powers from the heavenlies on daily basis. There are people who curse others by pointing their fingers to the heavens. There is even a religion in which the adherents pray directly to the sun, the moon, and the stars.

You must definitely pray that whatever the devil has used the sun, the moon, and the stars to do in your life should be destroyed.

There are tribes and races which have been destroyed through powers which were drawn from the heavenlies. You must pray if you belong to such a race. For example, the Yorubas are a divided people. Why is this so? It can be traced to a particular incident in which Oduduwa and Obatala fought themselves.

History has it that, Oduduwa was coming from somewhere and heard the sound of drums which showed that he had been overthrown by Obatala. Oduduwa became angry and issued a curse that their children will never be united. That seems to be what is happening today. Why has that curse stuck to the Yoruba race? It is simply because Oduduwa and Obatala drew their powers from the sun. You must release yourself from the yoke of drawers of power from the heavenlies today!

PRAYER POINTS

1. Everything programmed into my life in the heavenlies, I dismantle you, in the name of Jesus.
2. I take authority over this year, in the name of Jesus.
3. I decree that all the elements in the heavenlies will co-operate with me this year, in the name of Jesus.
4. I decree that these elemental forces will refuse to cooperate with my enemies this year, in the name of Jesus.

5. I speak unto the sun, the moon, and the stars, they will not smite me and my family this year, in the name of Jesus.
6. I pull down every negative energy planning to operate against my life this year, in the name of Jesus.
7. I confess that this is the year the Lord has made, I will rejoice and be glad in it, in the, name of Jesus.
8. I dismantle any power that is uttering incantations to capture this year, in the name of Jesus.
9. I render such incantations and satanic prayer null and void over me and my family, in the name of Jesus
10. I retrieve this year out of their hands, in the name of Jesus.
11. Spirits of favour, counsel, might and power, come upon me, in the name of Jesus.
12. I shall excel this year, and nothing shall defile me, in the name of Jesus.
13. I shall possess the gates of my enemies this year, in the name of Jesus.
14. The Lord shall anoint me with the oil of gladness above my fellows this year, in the name of Jesus.
15. The fire of the enemy will not burn me and my family this year; in the name of Jesus.
16. My ears shall hear good news and I shall not hear the voice of the enemy, in the name of Jesus.
17. My life and the lives of the members of my family members are secured in Christ, in the name of Jesus.

18. Let every satanic check-point mounted against me in the heavenlies be dismantled by the word of the Lord.
19. Every evil altar prepared against my breakthroughs in the heavenlies and in the sea, be dismantled by fire! in the name of Jesus.
20. Every arrangement that sorcerers and witches have prepared against me, be overthrown! in the name of Jesus.
21. Any evil thing, programmed into the sun and moon against my life, be dismantled! in the name of Jesus.
22. You spiritual wickedness in the heavenlies, militating against my star; I bring the hook of the Lord against you and frustrate your activities, in the name of Jesus.
23. I receive open heavens for my life this year, in Jesus' name.
24. I take divine Insurance against all forms of accident and tragedy, in the name of Jesus.
25. I send lightening, thunder; and the hook of the Lord against the evil queen militating against me in the heavenlies , in the name of Jesus.
26. Every evil spiritual-equation, programmed against my life, I command you to change! in the name of Jesus.
27. I speak unto my umbilical gate to overthrow every negative parental spirit, in the name of Jesus.
28. I break the yoke of any evil spirit having access to any organ in my body, in the name of Jesus.

29. I speak unto the headquarters of evil programmers and blow up their altars, in the name of Jesus.
30. Any evil thing written in the cycle of the moon against me, be blotted out! in the name of Jesus.
31. I command the careful siege of the enemy against my life to be dismantled, in the name of Jesus.
32. I come by faith to mount Zion, and I command deliverance upon my life, in the name of Jesus.
33. I file a counter report in heaven against any dark spirit militating against me, in the name of Jesus.
34. I bring the blood of Jesus over the stubborn pursuer that does not want me to go, in the name of Jesus.
35. I bring the blood of Jesus over every evidence that can be tendered by wicked spirit against me, in the name of Jesus.
36. I announce to the heavenlies that I am married to Jesus.
37. Every evil handwriting engraved by demonic iron pen against me, be wiped off by the blood of Jesus!

DRAWERS OF POWER FROM THE HEAVENLIES

chapter three WRESTLING FROM HEAVEN

In previous chapters, we have dealt with satanic agents who draw power from the heavens and the elements. It has also been emphasized that the most wicked of men draw their powers from four sources, i.e. the marine, witchcraft, the earth, the heavens and their elements. The most potent of these drawers of power are those who operate from the heavenlies. Why is this so? It is because whoever controls the sky in any warfare controls the battle. In addition, the worship of the sun, the moon, and the stars, and the elements enable men to enter into ultimate power.

Destructive altars can be mounted against a man's destiny from three sources: terrestrial, marine and astral (i.e. the heavenlies). It is important for us too know that once an altar has been mounted against a person's life in the heavenlies, such a person is finished both physically and spiritually. This is why the rest of this book shall be devoted to issues having to do with recovery of destinies. It is sad

but true that the heavenlies have been. terribly polluted by satanic agents who dally pour enchantments, incantations, curses, etc, in to the heavenlies.

Ezekiel 8:15-18; "Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations than these. And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east. Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the branch to their nose. Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them."

Deuteronomy 4:19; "And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, even all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which the LORD thy

God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven."

Deuteronomy 17:3-5; "And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded; And it be told thee, and thou hast heard of it, and inquired diligently, and, behold, it be true, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought in Israel: Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, unto thy gates, even that man or that woman, and shalt stone them with stones, till they die."

Job 31:26-28; "If I beheld the sun when it shined, or the moon walking in brightness; And my heart hath been secretly enticed, or my mouth hath kissed my hand: This also were an iniquity to be punished by the judge: for I should have denied the God that is above."

Jeremiah 8:2; "And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked, and whom they have sought, and whom they have worshiped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth."

2nd Kings 23:5; "And he put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets, and to all the host of heaven."

For example, the worship of the sun is related to fire worship which is technically in reality, a worship of the great red dragon (satan- the devil). Beginning from the tower of Babel, the worship of the constellations spread throughout the ancient world. Israel polluted the sabbath and substituted it with Baal worship, which is the sun worship. The worship of the heavens and the elements was the dominant religion in all ancient civilizations, spreading from Babylon to India, Africa, Mexico, South America, Egypt, China, Greece, Rome, and Europe.

The English language for the days of the week were derived from the names of Roman and Greek gods', e.g. Sunday from the sun, Monday from moon, Saturday from saturn.

In the Yoruba language speaking area of Nigeria, there is a legend about a fellow called Sango, who reigned as the fourth Alaafin of Oyo. He was known as the divinity of thunder and lightening. He is thought to be powerful, crafty and ruthless. It was said that Sango could call down thunder and lightening from heaven. To date, Sango worshiper call on him to attack people by thunder. These kinds of

satanic agents that have the ability to draw destructive power from the heavenlies abound in our environment.

'WE WRESTLE'

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 (Eph 6:12).

The word 'wrestle' is derived from the word 'pale' which in a wide sense refers to

- struggling
- hand to hand fighting
- extreme violence in a fight
- hazardous and deadly
- brutal and barbaric fighting
- a fight with no guiding rules (unlike boxing)
- a fight with rounds
- it is 'fight' or 'perish'
- it is a thoroughly violent sport
- you can smash your forehead against the opponent's nose
- you can throw him up in the air and break the backbone
- it is quite normal to strangle your opponent

- it is part of the game to choke your opponent
- if you can break his bones, go ahead
- you can as well, kick the opponent

It is this expression that Apostle Paul used to describe our conflict with unseen demonic forces marshaled against us for our destruction.

No wonder the ancient hymn writer says, '*Christian seek not yet repose*'. It is a bitter struggle and an intense conflict. The fight goes on until one of the two surrenders or dies in the fight.

- **What are the implications?**

- a. The devil has no mercy:
- b. When fighting demonic powers, there are no guiding rules.
- c. There is no decent or civilized manner of fighting demonic powers.
- d. If demonic powers are fighting, anything goes.
- e. If demonic powers are fighting, all methods of attack are legal and lethal.
- f. When fighting demonic powers, there is no umpire to cry 'foul.'
- g. The winner has to be the meanest and the toughest.

THE LORD IS A MAN OF WAR

Exodus 15:3; **"The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name."**

1 Samuel 17:45; "Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied."

Isaiah 47:4; "As for our redeemer, the LORD of hosts is his name, the Holy One of Israel."

Our Lord is a righteous warrior. He is skillful and an expert. He understands all strategies and policies of the enemy. He is a mighty and terrible warrior. He can employ inanimate creatures to terrify and destroy the enemy. He is a victorious and . prevailing warrior.

Look at these strange Scriptures: Isaiah 5:26; "And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly:"

Isaiah 7: 18; "And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall hiss for the fly that is in the uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that is in the land of Assyria."

When our Lord gives a summon, all are held bound: angels, men, dragons, beasts, the sky, the great deep, fire, hail, snow, Wind, frogs, flies, locusts, mosquitoes, etc. Just let Him hiss and see how they will all come to execute His commands. If our Lord beckons with one finger, all celestial and terrestrial hosts are ready to fight His battles.

Our Lord is an incomparable warrior.

Job 9:4; **"He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened himself against him, and hath prospered?"**

Our lord has Influence and authority that nothing can stand against when He commands a march. Whoever He sets Himself against is undone, for neither riches nor strength will save him or her. Riches profit not in the day of the lord's anger, money cannot bribe Him when He decides to fight. He can smite with blindness and lameness in a moment. Many have been overcome by Him, but none has ever prospered against Him. He makes one to chase a thousand and two put ten thousand to flight. He knows the counsel of the enemies in their bedchambers, He knows the thoughts of their hearts, He always catches the wise in his craftiness and laugh them to scorn. He falls on the wicked and makes them like dust before the whirlwind. None can escape or discern His arrows. You cannot put our Lord to fear or compel Him to comply.

Ephesians 2:6; **"And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:"**

If we are seated together with Him, nothing can defeat us. We must learn to fight from the heavens. This will enable us to dismantle anything glued unto the heavenlies against our destinies.

From this chapter onward, this book takes a new dimension. Using our knowledge on fighting from heavens, we can now go into warfare and wrestle our destinies out of the hands of spiritual prisons.

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chapter four THE BATTLE FOR DESTINY

Today's greatest battle is the battle for destiny. The devil fights his fiercest battle in this area. His purpose is to destroy the destinies of men and women. Unfortunately, millions of people have been reduced to mere corpses and casualties of war. Many destinies have been covered, destroyed, and aborted by demonic powers. Many who are created with wonderful destinies have become the most useless human beings on earth simply because; the devil has tampered with their destinies.

It is rather disheartening that many people have folded their arms while the enemy has continued to have a field day in this area. The devil knows that his greatest weapon for dealing with people's lives is to wage war on their destinies, thereby caging them.

John 18:37; "Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the

world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice."

Jesus was before Pilate, a man who was created by Him. Jesus had the power to command that the ground should open up and swallow Pilate, but He chose to answer a question which Pilate threw at Him. The Judge of the whole earth decided to stand as an accused before a human judge. However, Jesus' answer turned out to be one of the greatest statements ever made in the history of the world.

We have a lot of lessons to learn from Jesus' conduct and statement during His great trial in the court of human justice. Crisis or trial should not make you to lose your balance, rather, it should bring out the best in you. Jesus responded brilliantly under great tension and humiliation. He identified and proclaimed His destiny under great suffering. ***"To this end was I born and for this cause came I into the world."***

The greatest question which you must answer is: What is the purpose of your birth? What is your destiny? If you do not know the purpose of your existence on earth, you may be sowing and reaping in satanic gardens.

You may be praying the wrong prayers, taking the wrong steps, going to the wrong places, answering the wrong questions and traveling on the wrong tracks. Those who have no inkling whatsoever concerning what they are divinely ordained to do and be in life have taken off in deficit from the first day.

WHAT IS DESTINY?

Generally speaking, destiny is God's purpose for your life. You need to really identify God's plan for your life. You need to sit down and address the issue of your destiny as it was divinely ordained. You must be able to lay your hands on your head and ask God to make your destiny to conform with His perfect plan and will for your life. You must also go ahead to lay your hand on your certificates and professional tools, asking God to lead you to the place of the fulfillment of your destiny.

You must also be able to stand up in your business premises and pray saying: "Lord, don't let this business divert my destiny, rather, let it fulfil my destiny."

Let us now go into the meaning of destiny:

1. It is God's purpose for your life.
2. It is your appointed or ordained future.
3. It is what God has pre-determined you to be or to become in His divine will.
4. It is the expectation of heaven upon your life.
5. It is what is written in the heavenly record concerning you.
6. It is what God had in mind when He created you.

Granted that you now understand the meaning of destiny, you must also discover the implication of experiencing the diversion of your

destiny. If a person misses his or her destiny, God has the right to cut off the person or replace him or her.

Why don't you make this confession: **I refuse to be replaced or cut off. Therefore, I shall not lose my destiny, in the name of Jesus.**

It is quite possible for a glorious destiny to be destroyed or diverted. That was what Jesus referred to when He said: ***"If these keep quiet, stones shall replace them."*** If a person has messed up his/her divine destiny, then the enemy has the right to ensnare the person.

If you have missed your divine destiny, it means that you are running your life on human fuel and that human fuel will soon finish. It will not suffice since it is not a 'divine fuel'. Whenever someone misses his divine destiny, such a person's life will be packed into the archives of 'almost there' or in to the archives of 'worthless history.' I want you to make this confession of faith: **I refuse to be replaced, in the name of Jesus.**

The moment you get out of God's divine will for your life, the divine oil which God poured on your head will dry up. All the shouts of superiority over the devil will not suffice if your destiny is diverted. Promises will not be translated to victory for those who are outside the will of God.

Why should God continue to prosper what you are not supposed to do? That is why we tell people to pray like this: **If I'm doing**

anything outside Your will O Lord, frustrate it."

You must determine God's purpose for your life and pursue it. If a person misses his destiny, the person will end up living a wasted life. A life that is spent outside the will of God is a purposeless life. You may be doing wonderful things but once it is not what God expects you to do, it is useless.

A Bible school student once prayed saying, "O Lord, I want to die comfortably." An older Bible school teacher who was thrice the age of the young man called him to order. He asked: "How did Paul, Peter, and Jesus die?" Your prayer should not be centered on how you will die but how you will appear before God at the end of your life. Your emphasis should be on how the Lord will tell you "well done faithful servant, welcome to the joy of thy Lord."

It shows that the only thing that will matter is the fact that you have been a faithful servant on earth during your existence. What God will look for when you come face to face with Him in eternity is how you fared in the task which He assigned to you during your earthly pilgrimage. The yardstick for God's judgment will not be based on what your father wanted you to do, what the society expected from you, or what you decided to do with your own life, rather, it will be based on what God wanted you to do.

God will surely base the totality of what you were and did on earth on one side of the scale and place who He wanted you to be and what He wanted you to do in His divine programme on the other side. If

you are able to achieve a pass, He will greet you warmly saying: "Well done, faithful servant." However, if you did not do well, He will surely say, "Depart from me, ye that worketh iniquity."

You may be the richest man on earth and you may even become the most popular man in history, but if your life is far away from what God intended it to be, your total existence will be worse than wasted. A life could be wonderful and excellent and still be wasted if it fails to achieve its divine' purpose. If you are forty and above and you have no sense of direction, then, you are wasting away. You need lots of prayer. Why don't you pray right now saying, **I refuse to drink the water of confusion. My enemies shall drink that water, in the name of Jesus.**

If someone has missed his or her divine destiny, then the person's life becomes an experiment. Demonic powers will continue to test their weapons in the person's life just like the super powers are testing their powers on weak nations.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS TO ANSWER

There are some basic questions you must ask yourself and answer honestly:

- Am I busy but not effective?
- Am I a workaholic who is achieving nothing?
- Have I become a spiritual 'Jack of all trade' but master of none?

- Is my life an experiment?
- Am I using my money to bless those that God has cursed?
- Am I using my life to sit for the wrong examinations?
- Am I winning a race that nobody asked me to run, rejoicing that I am a winner?
- Have I allowed the enemy to convert me into a big fish in a small river?
- Am I very effective doing the wrong things?
- What does my spiritual thermometer read?
 - gossip 100%
 - lying 120%
 - stealing 35%
 - witnessing for Christ 5%
 - love 0%
- Am I doing good things that are not right?
- Am I living my life on assumption?
- Am I gambling with destiny?
- Am I deriving benefit from a purpose that does not come from God?
- Am I living an aimless and wandering life?
- Am I living a life of spiritual procrastination?
- Am I placing the ladder of my life against the wrong wall?
- Am I groping in the dark?

These are questions you must answer if you want to check whether you are on the right track or not.

Other questions are:

- Will you die or will you be killed? To die is to fulfill your destiny ,while to be killed is to end your life before fulfilling your destiny.
- Are you unconsciously standing in your own way of progress and blaming the enemy?
- Are you spending your life answering questions which nobody is asking you?
- Do you worry when you should pray?
- Do you acquire the doubts and fears of others?
- Do you memorise your failures and recite them?
- Are you planning to do less than you are capable of doing?
- Have you allowed failure to enter into your heart?
- Do you see difficulty in everything instead of seeing opportunities?

If your answers are yes, you really have to pray seriously.

EXAMPLES FROM THE SCRIPTURES

If you have really studied your Bible, you would have discovered that a lot of people missed their destinies in the Scriptures. Those who missed their destinies should be an example to us. The Bible says, ***"These things are written for our learning that we through the comfort and patience of the Scriptures might have hope."***

Abel was made to miss his destiny by household wickedness. Joseph almost missed his destiny, although household wickedness tried to destroy his destiny, still he kept holding on.

I came across a brother who had spent twenty years in Germany only to come back to Nigeria to become a fetish priest. What happened was that, he spent 20 years abroad trying to struggle for survival. His plan was to keep on struggling until he achieved something tangible but somehow, his parents were disturbed by the fact that he had spent too much time abroad without planning to come home. So they decided to consult a native doctor who was asked to make a very powerful charm which would make the man to come back home.

The fetish priest simply asked them to fetch him one of the man's old clothes. That was what he used for the ritual. He gave it back to them and told them to bury it in their compound. That was how the brother became restless overseas and headed straight for the airport. He did not pick a pin when leaving overseas. He abandoned all his certificates and personal effects and came home not knowing what was happening to him. That was how he had to start afresh.

By the time he came to Nigeria, he became so disorganised that he had to make up his mind to learn the trade of a fetish priest with an eye on becoming one. That was how a man who had spent twenty years in Germany came back to Nigeria to become a fetish priest.

His life became so scattered that it took the power of the gospel to straighten him out.

I want you to close your eyes right now and take this prayer point:
Every power that diverts destiny, fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.

Saul missed his destiny through disobedience. He was chosen by God, but he missed out on the plan of God. He received the anointing of the prophet and prophesied. His family would have remained kings in Israel forever but he lost the opportunity and his destiny was destroyed.

Samson was another person who had a divine destiny, but he like many highly talented Africans, allowed sexual sins to make him to lose the blessings of God.

Do you know that all those who tried to lead you into sexual sins are destiny diverters? Such powers that are capable of diverting your attention are nothing but living coffins. Your friends may praise you saying that you are a ladies' man. They are only deceiving you. What they are praising you for is nothing but an avenue for the diversion of your destiny. Those who allow sexual sins to divert their attention will discover that their lives will soon become history. They will begin to remember that they once touched money. Solomon was another person in the Bible who lost his destiny through women. He had three hundred wives and seven hundred concubines.

We had to escort the corpse of a fellow Nigerian to the airport when I was in England. The man left Nigeria for the United Kingdom for more academic degrees, in addition to the ones he had bagged while he was in Nigeria. He left his wife and three kids at home and decided to get married to a white lady as a means of survival. The white lady sponsored his studies and provided everything which the man needed. However, they did not have children.

The white woman did all these and spent everything she had on the man only for her to open a letter which the man received from Nigeria and discovered that the man actually had a wife and three children in his own country. The white lady became so angry, took a gun, shot the man and shot herself and that was the end of the man's life. The strange woman aborted his destiny.

Eli was another man who gambled with his destiny. He lost his destiny because he could not control his children. He had wicked children who were committing fornication in the sanctuary, but he failed to call them to order. Instead of denouncing what they were doing, he pampered them and God blamed him for his negligence. That is how God is going to blame lots of parents today. The Lord swore that no one from Eli's family would ever stand before Him forever. He lost all his children in one day.

The young prophet in 1 Kings 13:1-10 also missed his destiny through food. He disobeyed God because of his appetite. Disobedience landed him in trouble and destroyed his destiny. We

were praying for a sister the other day and she vomited a human finger. How did she get into that kind of problem? She attended a party where she was served food. As soon as she finished the meal, she began to experience an acute stomach pain. She went to the toilet but nothing came out. She tried to vomit but she couldn't. Then the pains subsided, but that was the beginning of her problem. The stomach began to swell up. She tried several hospitals but none was able to help. One of the hospitals even diagnosed cancer of the liver. God had mercy on her and she vomited that finger after going . through our deliverance session .. Gehazi lost his destiny through the love of money and covetousness. A lot of pastors are roaming the streets today with the anointing of Gehazi. They collect money from strange sources.

Lot's wife also missed her destiny.

Ananias and Saphira also missed their destinies.

SCRIPTURAL GUIDELINES

It is quite unfortunate that the enemy always succeed in blinding multitudes to their destinies. However, if you are serious with God, there are Scriptural guidelines on how to fulfil your destiny. These indexes will help you to determine your destiny in life.

1. What are those things which you are happy doing? Your destiny may be tied to those things.

2. What are those things in your life that can help others?
3. What are those things in your life that are in high demand?
4. What are those things you can achieve with minimum assistance?
5. What are those good desires in your spirit that have continued to give you no rest?
6. What motivates you to be productive?
7. What is that thing that you want to accomplish which ignites a holy zeal in you?
8. What are those difficult things that you do effortlessly?
9. What are those things that you do that get positive responses and supports from others?
10. What do you do that causes doors to be opened unto you with ease?
11. Is there anything you do which makes you feel good and gives you a sense of satisfaction?
12. What are those things in your life that makes your spiritual leaders happy?
13. What are those things which you are willing to pursue at any cost?
14. What are those things for which you are willing to make any sacrifice?
15. What work are you doing for which you feel confident to face God?

16. What is that thing you are doing which nobody appreciates but for which you win divine approval?
17. What is that thing which God has been bombarding you with in your dream but you are yet to do it?
18. What are those things which multiply your value?
19. What things do you do that make you to develop new ideas?
20. What are your best areas of efficiency?

If you answer all these questions sincerely, you will truly discover your destiny. These questions constitute the voice of destiny.

The fact that the voice of destiny often speaks clearly accounts for the reason why there are powers that specialise in quenching destiny. There are also those who can be called 'converters of destiny'. Again, there are men and women who specialise in diverting destinies of people. Someone told me this challenging story. A father called all his children who incidentally are male for an important meeting. Incidentally, all his children are male children. He told them, "I'm going to give you two rules if you want to live long. The first rule is this: None of you must ever become richer than I. The second rule is this: None of you must marry intelligent women. I will help you to find ladies who are not intelligent at all."

However, one of his children happens to be a Christian. He knew what his father said but he never understood the implication of those statements. Unfortunately, he was also attending 'a church where

spiritual warfare and deliverance were not emphasised. It happened to be where much emphasis is placed on dancing.

True to his word, the father brought him a wife from the village. He declined and told his father, "I am sorry. I can't marry an illiterate. The wife whom I am going to get married to must at least be able to speak English. After all, I am a graduate myself." However, the father insisted that the lady can at least read. So he faced the girl and asked her some questions.

"What is your name?" he said. The girl replied, "*Malomo*." "What is the meaning of Malomo?" he queried. He was told that it was a name that reveals the fact that the girl belongs to the demonic group called Ogbanje in Igbo language and Abiku in Yoruba language. "What do you do?" the brother asked the lady. "I sell local beans cereal." The brother brought out a story book and asked the lady to read. The lady bastardized the pronunciation. She only succeeded in pronouncing it with her native Yoruba tongue. The brother then faced his daddy and told him that he cannot marry someone who cannot even read a primer.

The father became angry and decided to take the girl away without telling his son what he was going to do in revenge. The brother thought that everything was over and started dating a different person. He went on with his plans and got married to the lady of his choice. They had two accidents before the wedding day. The lady got pregnant only to die after delivery. Unfortunately, the new baby

also died two hours later. The brother was so touched that he had to complain to a medical doctor who happened to be a friend of mine that he lost a gem when the wife died in those mysterious circumstances. That sister was a victim of powers that divert destinies. She got into trouble the day she said yes to that brother.

All kinds of evil forces are working against the destinies of men and women today. There are powers that rearrange human destinies. There are powers that arrest destinies. Again there are powers that specialise in swallowing up people's destinies. There are robbers of destiny, as well as powers that specialise in delaying people's destinies.

The greatest powers that tamper with people's destinies are the negative powers which people draw from the heavenlies. Wicked men and women who have constituted themselves into satanic agents draw demonic power from the sun, the moon, and the stars and from spiritual wickedness in high places.

The moment something is programmed in the heavenlies against somebody's destiny, the fate of that person has been sealed in the demonic world. That person is as good as dead. Whoever controls the heavenlies automatically controls what happens on earth.

Lucifer is the prince of the power of the air. He is the evil commander-in-chief of thousands of rebellious angels. They operate in the air. They also operate on earth as Beelzebub. That is how they operate on ground. Beelzebub is the king of demons who controls

millions of demonic spirits who co-operate with demonic angels above, to steal what God wanted people to enjoy. Beelzebub also corrupts the true potentials of creation, brings complications and destruction into the situations of millions of people and causes untold damage in the lives of innocent men and women.

However, we can recover our stolen destinies from the enemy. We can also repair the wounded destiny, redirect what has been wrongly diverted. We can also command the dead ones to resurrect. We can command the stunted ones to grow.

If you have noticed that God has been persistently passing a message across to you saying, "This is not where you are supposed to be, this is not your level; you must recover your stolen destiny." You must pray until your destiny is restored to the original position which God apportioned it. You must confess any sin that will hinder you from fulfilling your destiny on earth. It does not matter from which points these powers are operating. The Bible has already stated that you are seated in Christ in the heavenly places. This shows that you are seated far above. powers and principalities and all forms of demonic forces. God has placed us at a higher realm. You are supposed to be victorious over them by virtue of our exalted position in Christ.

Get ready now to recover your God-given destiny and to take your rightful place in God's creation.

PRAYER POINTS

1. I release earthquake against my full-time enemies, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every internal enemy of my destiny, I challenge you by fire, in the name of Jesus.
3. Every stubborn problem, I command you to wither! in the name of Jesus.
4. (Lift up your fingers towards the heavenlies as you take this prayer point) Any evil thing, programmed into the heavenlies against me, be destroyed in Jesus' name!
5. Every power, aborting the plan of God for my life, fall down and die! in the name of Jesus. .
6. I refuse to miss my destiny, in the name of Jesus.
7. Let all my fears be converted to ashes, in Jesus' name.
8. Let the life and the spirit behind my problem break off, in the name of Jesus.
9. Let the power that raised Jesus from the dead break my yoke now, in the name of Jesus.
10. I shall not be numbered among the wasted, in the name of Jesus.
11. O Lord, manifest the thunder of Your power in my life, in the name of Jesus.
12. Every arrow of death, fired against me in the dream, go back to your sender! in the name of Jesus

13. Anything drawing power against me from the heavenlies, fall down and die! in the name of Jesus.
14. Every alignment of witches against my prosperity, be scared! in the name of Jesus
15. Anyone who accepted witchcraft in order to destroy my life, be disgraced! in the name of Jesus.
16. O God that answers by fire, answer my prayers by fire, in the name of Jesus.
17. Every satanic consultant, working against me, bow to the name of Jesus!
18. By the power that divided the Red Sea, O Lord, answer my prayer, in the name of Jesus.
19. By the power that disgraced. Goliath, O Lord, answer my prayer, in the name of Jesus.
20. By all the powers by which You are known to be God, O Lord, answer my prayer, in the name of Jesus.

DRAWERS OF POWER FROM THE HEAVENLIES

chapter five ATTACKING THE VEHICLE OF DESTINY

I want you to pray these prayer points before you continue.

1. O Lord, upgrade my power, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every internal bondage, this day, be broken! in the name of Jesus.
3. Every pursuer in the dream, pursue yourself! name of Jesus.
4. (Raise your two hands) Satanic anchor, roast! in the name of Jesus.

John 1:46; **"And Nathaniel said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him, Come and see."**

This. is the cry of the enemy against a lot of people today. They are saying, can anything good come out of this life? They express this either verbally or implication because they

know everything about you; they know your background; your village's history; the founder of the place; your mother and everything; therefore, they conclude, "Can any good thing come out of this person?"

HOUSEHOLD ENEMIES

There was a brother who wedded many years ago. After the wedding, he went with his newly wedded wife to spend the honeymoon in his village, so they moved into the best room they could get there. The room also had a security gate, but around 1:00 a.m. in the night, the brother woke up to discover that somebody had opened the gate and he was hearing sound of footsteps coming toward their room. He opened the window in a bid to peep at the fellow but he became glued to the bed! .

At the movement of the evil personality, there was dead silence as the noise of frogs, crickets and other animals ceased. Then it dawned on the brother that trouble was around the corner. As the footsteps were approaching their room, he attempted to call the name of Jesus but he found it difficult as he felt his lips were as heavy as iron, then he started calling Jesus in his spirit. Later, the movement stopped by the window and finally went back and closed the gate. Thereafter, he woke up the wife, packed their things and ran away before 5:00 a.m.

However, the damage had been done. I pray that God would help those who are fond of their villages. Not that you go there for the sake of the gospel but to socialise and talk with palm wine drinkers. Eventually, by the time of the next menstruation of the wife, instead of blood, it was maggots that came out! And by the second month it was the same thing. She went to the hospital, but the doctor told her to go and look for someone who could pray because it was not a case of medication.

The question is, why did a believer who goes to church experience such a terrible nightmare and oppression? It was because there was a ladder in his life through which the enemy came in.

At this juncture, close your eyes and pray thus:

Every satanic ladder hiding in my life, O God, arise, and let them be scattered, in the name of Jesus.

If you have ever experienced being pressed down like this, lay your right hand on your head and pray like this,

I fire back, every arrow of oppression, in the name of Jesus.

These powers know the background of your family, they know that only a few or none have made it, hence they say, "Can any good thing come out of this life?"

Please, confess this loudly: "I will make it, in Jesus' name." "I reject spiritual anaemia."

They do historical analysis of one's life and they know for example, that nobody has ever built a house in your family and you are trying to build one. They see that nobody has ever attained a position of influence from that town or village of yours, and they perceive that this one wants to have a different record from others; then they say; "Can any good thing come out of this life?"

Perhaps, the council of wickedness has spent sleepless nights to ensure that you do not move ahead. Then, you need to pray that your God should arise to scatter any evil council against you.

Perhaps, they have been conspiring against you and questioning your life. God is capable of changing your history, He can make His face to shine upon you.

The report of the Lord concerning us says, "They shall see ...", like Philip said, "Come and see", to the statement of Nathaniel who asked him saying, "can any good thing come out of Nazareth?"

These are the days of high voltage praying, as Mr. Death is working overtime, killing people before they fulfil their destiny, this Mr. Death does not joke with people. He has been winning in the issue of human lives from the time of Adam till the present time, and he has no respect for anybody.

There is a remedy for everything on earth, but there is no remedy for death and one of the greatest tragedy is that, so many people die for nothing. Another tragedy is that death uses our spoons and forks as his weapons. Unfortunately, death would accept no bribe from

anybody. Like I said earlier, you have no right to die if you have not fulfilled your destiny.

This is not the time for myopic plans and weak visions, but the time to mount up with wings as eagle and if satan keeps reminding you about your problem, then you too should keep reminding him of his defeat.

For example, if Mr. Boyo wants to go to Togo, he can get there by road, air and sea - three ways; but somebody does not want Mr. Boyo to get to Togo, therefore, he plans many strategies to achieve this. Firstly, he incapacitates and demobilises him with sickness and ignorance thereby rendering him unable to travel. The bottom line is that Mr. Boyo should not get to Togo. In the alternative, he could outrightly kill Mr. Boyo since his objective is to cause him never to get to Togo. He may bewitch him such that Mr. Boyo is totally unconscious of any urge to go to Togo. He could physically hold him down or hinder him. He could attack all his vehicles and render them useless, the objective is still that Boyo must not get to Togo.

This serves to illustrate to us that the confidence of the enemy rests solely on the fact that once he has destroyed one's vehicle of destiny, he knows there is no way such a person can reach his goal because; he has blocked all the avenues of getting there.

EXAMPLES FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Rahab - She was a harlot, but her vehicle of destiny was her hospitality. It was tied to hiding the spies from Israel and the rope with which she let down those spies to escape. Supposing she had shunned those spies, that could have been the end of her destiny. We would not be reading today that she was part of the lineage of Jesus.

King David - David's vehicle of destiny was his divine curiosity, that is, his quest to know what was happening in the battlefield and who Goliath was to be harassing the people of God. He was left in the field to look after the sheep while his elder brothers went to the war front, but, those senior brothers could not perform on the battlefield until he got there, and of course, the defeat of Goliath was the promotion of David.

Also, the hatred and pursuit of Saul after David was another vehicle of destiny for David. This means that the vehicle of your destiny may sometimes be very unfriendly, it may be things you do not enjoy or things you dislike in your life.

Apostle Peter - Peter's vehicle of destiny was his fishing job, he did it all the night and it implied that he was not a lazy person. He was a generous person too; for when Jesus asked him to release his boat to Him, he did not complain of not being able to catch any fish the previous night. Also, his boldness and humility to follow Jesus in spite of the fact that at sixty six years old, his age doubled the age of Jesus Christ numerically was another one.

Prophet Elisha - Elisha's vehicle of destiny was his hard work, his loyalty to his master, his stubborn faith and his vigilance which made him to follow Elijah and got the double portion. What a glorious thing for him! And how shameful was it for Gehazi who could have gotten four times the anointing of Elijah, but instead, he collected leprosy, thus putting his posterity in trouble.

Gideon - Gideon, another man of destiny was working hard in the midst of the enemy, when the angel came unto him and said, "**... peace unto you great man of valour ...**" He was not cajoled by the angel's statement. He said, "Which peace?, when what I am doing here is in the secret for fear of our oppressors..." His openness and admission of helplessness was his vehicle of destiny. His readiness to carry out divine instruction to the letter was his vehicle of destiny too.

Mary Magdalene - What was Mary Magdalene's vehicle of destiny? Her demons of course. From her, Jesus cast out seven demons. So, satan made one of the greatest mistakes of his life when he invaded Mary Magdalene. Some people complain: "If you know the kind of deliverance I have done in the past ..." Well, if such people properly examine it, they would discover that such deliverance may turn out to be their vehicles of destiny. It was the deliverance of this woman that made her to be the first person to see the Lord Jesus when He rose from the dead. Her quest for deliverance became the vehicle of her destiny.

Joseph - Joseph's vehicle of destiny was the envy and jealousy of his brothers. Even his father cautioned him to desist from talking about his dream. He queried, "how can I and your mother be bowing down for you?" False accusation was also his vehicle of destiny. Later on when he got to prison, he told Pharaoh's butler that he was going to be released and that he should remember him, but the Bible says the man forgot Joseph in the prison after his release. We understand here that broken promises also added to his vehicles of destiny.

Say this loud and clear: **"My problem is my promotion."**

HOW TO DELIVER YOUR VEHICLE OF DESTINY

How can we become an overcomer against forces of demotion? How can we deliver our vehicles of destiny? Whichever way, you need a vehicle to convey you from where you are to your place of destiny. For, if the enemy destroys that vehicle, the person will become grounded.

THROUGH DREAMS

We will look at this in many ways, by examining our dreams and destiny.

Psalm 32:8; ***"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye."*** It is

unfortunate to discover that very few people receive Instruction from the Lord. Some come to the church to pick the ones they like in the words of God and leave others, some do not even listen to anything at all. Others are only interested in selling their wares in the church than to pray against the spirit of poverty hunting their lives. This passage tells us that we should not move if we do not receive an instruction from the Lord to do so.

If verse eight of this chapter is not in operation in one's life, then verse nine goes into operation in the reverse thus,

"Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee."

That is telling us that some people have no understanding. This is also in Job 33:13-14:

"Why dost thou strive against him? for he giveth not account of any of his matters. For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not."

That is, God talks to us and we do not get His message most of the time because; there are so many different levels of communication as shown in verses 15-16;

"In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings upon the bed; Then he openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction,"

In the light of the passage above, your dreams can tell you a lot of things; it can be a source of divine instruction to you for your destiny. That is why the Bible confirms that the Almighty would do nothing except He first reveals it to His prophets. this is stated in Amos 3:7;

"Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets."

It is one thing for God to pass an information like this to His servants, it is another thing whether you understand it or not. God desires to talk to His people, but when He discovers we do not understand Him through some medium of communication, He then resorts to seal His instruction to us through dreams.

Say this loud and clear:

As many enemies as lay their rods on the altar, my rod shall swallow them.

In every battle that I fight, I shall be more than a conqueror.

Through your dreams, you can know if your vehicle of destiny is under attack. Research findings says man spends one third of his life span sleeping, meaning that; by the time a person is sixty years old, he would have spent twenty years sleeping. What happened during this sleeping period should not be taken lightly because; those dreams that occurred then are visions and they reveal our deepest aims and objectives. It is like a kind of spiritual monitoring system which aids you to deal with your physical life.

Those dreams can also reveal your fears, aspirations, hopes, past life and your future. It can result in your healing, it can change and influence your life. Those dreams can enlighten, warn and inform you. Therefore, they should not be ignored, the only dreams that you could ignore are dreams you have after you had been agitated the previous day.

For example, if you had conjugal quarrel before you went to sleep, you can ignore any dream you have that night.

The dreams you have as a result of swallowing chloroquine for malaria fever, or after overeating or when you sleep in an occultic and demonic apartment should be ignored in their entirety.

Apart from all these, all other dreams are divine tools through which divine messages are brought to you. It may be from you, God, or the devil.

A well-read Bible scholar would discover that there are twenty-eight accounts of dreams in the Bible. The first example of dreaming is an interesting thing. Somebody wanted to take over Abraham's wife and the Lord came to the man in the dream saying, "Abimelech, you are a dead man" He asked the Lord what he had done, then the Lord told him that the woman he took into his house was another man's wife.

The Lord said, "It is because I like you, that is why I have restrained you from committing sin with her. The Lord told him to return the wife adding, "I have told the husband to pray for you for he is a prophet."

This marked the first time to find the words, "Pray for someone, "In the Bible.

Jacob was a confused man until he had a dream where in he saw a ladder upon which angels of God were descending and ascending and he remarked, **"... surely, the Lord is in this place."**

Joseph was nicknamed, "the dreamer" in the Bible. It was his dreams that put him into trouble. Also, it was the angel of God that told Joseph the earthly father of Jesus to take the child and flee with him to Egypt.

This reminds me of a question once asked by a sister. She asked if she should continue to visit her people who are mostly witches and wizards in her village, or should she still run away from them? God who could command Herod to be roasted did not do it, but instead, He told Joseph to carry his baby and run. This is telling us that there is time for fighting and there is time for running.

The Bible even says further that God can use your dreams to torment your enemy, and that was what happened to Pilate's wife. She told her husband about how she suffered in the dream because of that righteous man, Jesus.

In the midst of tempest and threat of ship-wreckage, Paul told the people concerning the dream he had had in the night that the angel of God appeared unto him to allay his fear that no life would be lost in the voyage. Right from that moment, Paul had supernatural confidence.

We need revelation knowledge to overcome our problems; to be informed is to be transformed. You may claim, you have no problem, but it can mean three things: the world has given you a 'red card'- that is, you have been asked to depart from the 'field of play', or God has forgotten you, or satan too has rejected you. All the people of God in the Bible faced certain things and overcame them. Even the Bible says, "Let God arise and let all His enemies scatter."

How then can you claim you do not have problems when God Himself has enemies? The truth is, any man without an enemy is a nonentity, zombie, and an unimaginable idiot. It shows you are not useful to anybody. Immediately you make an attempt to mount up with wings as eagle, there will be forces that are ready to counter your move. However, an interesting thing in the Bible is that, every Pharaoh has his own Moses, every Goliath has his own David, and every Goliath has an unprotected forehead.

DREAMS THAT INDICATE DESTINIES THAT ARE UNDER ATTACK

There are twelve major dreams that indicate that your vehicle of destiny is under an attack. Let me share these with you so that you can know how to pray.

Lack of dreams - This is very dangerous because in the face of danger and troubles, you do not have information. It means the enemy has blinded your spirit man and soul. Such people die like

houseflies out of ignorance of what transpires in the spirit realm about them. I prayed with a sister sometime ago and when she got home, she dreamt of seeing herself in the palace of a king and the evil king said "By going to that man (referring to me) for prayer, does it mean that the church you are attending now is not good?"

He then told her, "If you go there again, you will no longer dream." This sister thought it was a joke, but afterwards, there was no dreaming in her life again. That evil spirit knew that the best way you can quickly eliminate a person is to withdraw dreaming from his or her life.

Somebody who dreamt of being pursued would wake up to start fighting back. The one who dreamt seeing his child being thrown into the river would soon wake up to reverse it, but if you do not see anything, they will be operating unchallenged for lack of information on your part.

Sometimes, I took a flight wherein the pilot just took off recklessly into the sky. As far as I am concerned, I had already checked my own monitoring system, and I got it clear that I was not going to die in an aircraft. As the plane was nose diving up and down in the sky, I was confident that there was not going to be any mishap, and so, I continued reading my book until someone tapped me and said,

"... Mr. Man, what book are you reading in this situation, don't you care that our plane may crash?"

Then I said, "Sir, this plane will not crash because; I have checked my monitoring system; if it crashes, you will end up being the only casualty, so don't disturb me, let me read my book."

When the plane eventually landed, he came to me and asked,
"Are you a human being?"

You become a weaponless warrior when your dreams are wiped off.

Dreams that cannot be recalled - That is, some people can no longer remember what they dreamt about when they wake up. Their memory system is either faulty or damaged. They know that they had had a dream, but they cannot recall it. This is another terrible thing.

Close your eyes and pray like this: **My dream life, receive the fire of God, in the name of Jesus.**

There are situations when an incident occurs and someone would say, "Ah, I saw this thing before", but because he could not remember, he could not stand against it to prevent it from happening.

Dreams of retreating back to childhood days - These are the powers of retardation. They are the powers responsible for making a person not to exceed a particular stage in life. When you keep seeing either your nursery and primary schools or the old house your family lived when you were a small girl or boy, something is telling you that you are not moving. You need to wage a war because you are being told that your vehicle of destiny is under attack.

Rags wearing or nakedness - This is the spirit of poverty, embarrassment and shame. When a man goes to school and struggles to study to become a lawyer, but at the end of the day, all he could afford is a second-hand piece of suit coupled with cheap perfumes they sell at the bus stops, he should know that his vehicle of destiny is under attack. How about doctors without clinics and when they manage to have one, they employ demonic nurses who drink the blood of patients, thus rendering the place desolate.

A person who is supposed to be operating a supermarket is hawking pure water by the road side. These are the examples of what we are talking about, but if they can check up; God would have shown them in His mercy, only they cannot recognize that God has been talking to them.

Being caged, imprisoned or hindered - These are forces of limitation. They put the person in a pit without water. These are dreams of retrogression and of being confined by the enemy. This is a popular weapon in our environment that we must wage war against.

Always dreaming of serving others - In other words, it is the spirit of slavery, the person will always be a servant to others. Many of us do not like the situation we are in, but we are not desperate and mad with it yet in prayer.

Dreams of uncompleted task - In the case of an examination he could not finish until they stopped. When building a house it was

uncompleted and when travelling he did not know his direction. This is a vagabond anointing. It is a terrible dream showing that the vehicle of destiny of that person is under terrible attack.

Having sex in the dreams - These are dreams connected with marital turbulence and the destiny of such a victim is being manipulated. It also implies that God's power is being withdrawn from such life. It also means either partner's potential has been buried.

A man once fasted and prayed for seven days but ended with fornication on the final day. As he was breaking his seven days dry fast, a child of the devil walked in and he capped the programme with fornication! During interrogation, we found out he had been having sexual dreams before. It is when some people have an important business to transact that they begin to have sex in their dreams, such business will surely collapse.

Death in the dream - This means that the enemy has closed the chapter of such life. It could result in spiritual, physical, financial, and marital death - all departments in his life have been shut down. Seeing dead relatives in dreams is an indication that you have very strong ancestral spirits linkage which you should break.

Seeing tortoise or snail regularly in the dream - It means slow progress, procrastination and all good things are suffering postponement. It is tortoise and snail anointing.

Being pursued by animals or masquerade - This is witchcraft attack.

Dreaming of water - It shows that the fellow has linkage with marine spirits.

If you have been having these kinds of dreams, it shows your vehicle of destiny is under attack. It means some powers somewhere or some human agents have decided that such a person cannot move.

These powers are often successful because many Christians are not serious. They are playing with sin. Anyone who goes to a Bible believing church where they preach holiness and transformation of lives, whose life is not changed, then his destiny would not change too until he repents and becomes an example of holiness. Everybody need to repent of giving the enemy a foothold to operate. Then, renounce every conscious and unconscious contact with destiny destroyers. Wage war against them.

Warning: If you are living in a known sin and you want to attack destiny destroyers, you will only end up strengthening them except you repent.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Every power threatening my destiny, be broken! in the name of Jesus.
2. My destiny, escape from every prison, in the name of Jesus.

3. O God arise, let every witchcraft plantation scatter! in the name of Jesus.

DRAWERS OF POWER FROM THE HEAVENLIES

chapter six GAMBLING WITH DESTINY

There is something called the anointing of Pharaoh. It pursues a person and refuses to give up. After it held the people of God in bondage for 430 years, it still pursued them to the Red Sea. Pharaoh did not want them to gain their freedom.

To this end, you will pray for yourself like this: **Every Pharaoh anointed to pursue me, fall down and die! in the name of Jesus.**

Also, lay your hand on your chest and command every spirit of fear; whether financial fear, marital fear, spiritual fear, etc., to fall down and die, in the name of Jesus.

I would like you to read this with much understanding because of the nature of what I am going to address therein, which you must pray about.

John 9:1-4; **"And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that**

he was born blind? Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

We see Jesus here commenting on something very revealing. Here was a man born blind, his father and mother could see and Jesus said he did not commit any sin, yet the man was passing through trouble. This is telling us that, one does not have to commit sin before the enemy launches an attack against one. This issue was made clear here.

Jesus recognized His own destiny and He knew He must work during the day. Equally, all of us have only one day after which is the night. Jesus stressed that He needs to do His work now because; the night is coming. By the way, what night was He talking about? It is when God says to you, "Son! Daughter! It is enough. Come over here." That is, once the person is dead, his night has come, hence, it is finished! No man works when he is already dead, and dead men don't tell stories, it is only the living that can do what God wants them to do. Man has only one day to work, followed by the night.

Recently, I saw one vision that bothers me, and this is one of the factors that informs what I am addressing in this message.

I saw a white line like the typical Zebra crossing in the streets, and there were men and women at both ends of the line forming long

queues, but I noticed that those in the queues were duplicates of each other; so they looked exactly alike with the same height and sizes. They walked towards the line and when they met at the center of the line, they merged together to become one.

Afterwards, I saw a man standing like a football linesman, who picked some people like waste papers to be thrown away and others he put in a very nice building. As I was watching, I saw a fellow on a line looking very comfortable and well off while the counterpart on the opposite line had abject poverty written all over him, but when they merged together, they were thrown into the dustbin.

I was very puzzled at the vision and as I was wondering what this could mean, the Lord said, "This line you see is a line of destiny, these two people you see coming together means that their divine destinies coincide, but the ones that are being thrown away into the dustbin are those who never attained their divine destinies. Those being put in a nice building are those fulfilling their divine destinies."

Then I asked in amazement, "Because they did not fulfill their divine destinies, will you throw them into hell fire?" He said, "Yes." The man in the Bible who buried his only talent was thrown into hell fire, while the other ones who traded with their own entered into heaven. The one who was thrown into hell fire was a born-again and spirit filled Christian who failed to work to fulfill his divine destiny. There was no merger between him and the Lord concerning what the Lord sent him to do, he never met with divine standard and was thrown out.

Close your eyes and pray like this: **The gap between me and my divine destiny, close in the name of Jesus.**

It is very sad to discover that many people are toying with their destinies. If you decide to give a golden coin to a person paddling a canoe and the person begins to toss the coin up and down, there is no doubt he is planning to lose it.

This is what the Almighty is impressing in my spirit to tell you. You must be very meticulous with your life. You have to be serious with your God and your spiritual life. Be meticulous with your Bible reading and prayer, don't take anything for granted. Never take God for granted at all. Make sure you pray on your car, house, radio, clothes and what have you. You cannot afford to mortgage your destiny on the altar of money, sex, and pleasure. How can an eagle marry a chicken? No, it is not possible! Those who are joking with God would definitely suffer in these last days.

Suffering is coming for the people who would not escape all their dubious and unrighteous activities. Telling a small lie would deny a person a big breakthrough, that is why the Lord asked me to seriously warn people.

These last days do not condone telling lies, committing fraud with biro and all sorts of unrighteous acts. These are very strange days, even more dangerous than any other history of mankind. It is strange because you can see ordinary typhoid fever and malaria killing people like houseflies. It seems that sicknesses have been able to

outwit the attack of drugs on them and are becoming resistant to them. Mosquitoes no longer die easily, they defy modern insecticides and pest killers.

Somebody came with an organism into my laboratory a while ago. Ten anti-biotic were applied on this organism and yet it did not die. Supposing this kind of organism gets inside a person, and you place the victim on ampicillin, gentamycin, tetracycline and penicillin, they would have no effect and such a victim would die because; the organism has mastered all the means of curing it.

The implication is that, the kind of thing that can kill such organism can as well kill human beings. The situation is so serious that scientists hide in the forests to study the kind of leaves sick animals eat to get well so that they too can carry out research work on them.

How can a man who claims to have the call of God upon his life be having his bath with an unmarried woman? This act is tantamount to taking God for granted. All the roaming about in the night, stealing God's money, drinking alcohol in secret, the lust of the eyes and the flesh would no longer be tolerated by God in these last days, neither would God tolerate the argument against the Holy Spirit. That is why you must confess every mix up and mistake you might have made to God. Subdue all those excesses of life you have gone into and settle what you need to settle with God. You cannot expect the Lord to bless you when you claim to be wise after your own heart. The

reason why God will punish people after death is because of their failure to fulfill their divine destinies.

You must accomplish whatever God has designed for you to do. If you die before you finish such an assignment, it is trouble. It does not matter what the tribute they pay to you by your grave reads. They may say, "This man was the greatest lawyer that ever lived, the greatest engineer, the greatest banker, the greatest preacher, the greatest prophet ..." It does not matter what people say. If you do not finish your divine destiny and death comes, you will surely be in trouble.

Pray like this very seriously: **My destiny shall not die, in the name of Jesus.**

THE TWELVE GAMBLERS

We have twelve gamblers as far as the issue of destiny is concerned. You are therefore enjoined to repent if you find yourself amongst them, and then cry to the Lord to save you.

- **Postponing the day of salvation** - You are gambling with your destiny when you bank on another opportunity to obey the gospel call tomorrow. In Acts 24:25, the Bible says;

"And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee."

Why? He was banking on another opportunity to obey the gospel. Like if you are reading this message now, don't say by tomorrow I will start to change, you better change now!

- **Postponing to do the right thing in the future** - You gamble with your destiny when you are postponing to do the right thing in the future; saying you know it is right but you intend to do it later, in spite of the fact that the Almighty has been speaking to your heart, telling you where He wants you to go and what to do but you keep saying, "I will do it tomorrow, I will do it next week, or I will do it when I retire, or when I go on leave..."

- **Taking the matter of one's soul for granted** - It is gambling with your destiny when you take questionable or non-committal position on the matter of your soul. It means you are playing with your salvation like an eagle is playing with the chicken. Know that it is quite difficult for one to gamble with the devil and win-he is a master gambler.

- **Disobedience to God** - You gamble with your destiny when you disobey God in anyway, that is; you refuse to obey God in just one thing out of those things He is asking you to do. There are people like this who are playing very dangerous games of disobedience with God.

- **Hoping for forgiveness in the grave** - You are gambling with your destiny when you think that God will pardon you after death. It is folly on your part to think like that when you fail to obey God during your

lifetime. Remember that young man who went to Jesus to ask him: ***"Master, what good must I do to inherit eternal life?"*** Jesus asked him about the law which he promptly recited to Jesus, straight theory from the head!

Like most people can easily recite our Lord's prayer, so the young man told Jesus, he had kept all the laws right from his youth. Jesus told him thereafter to go and sell all his possessions, to give to the poor, and then carry his cross and follow him. However, Jesus just put His finger upon the pet sin of that young man. When Jesus touched it, the Bible says the man was grieved in his heart and consequently walked away because he was being ruled by his wealth.

As you seek the Lord, remember that God will always put His finger on your pet sin as he did to that rich young ruler. Your failure to cast your pet sin on the altar will equally put you in grief like him.

When God speaks to you, no matter how small and still is the voice-obey! Get rid of that pet sin and go on with God because; toying with your pet sin is gambling with your destiny.

Your pet sin is the sin you don't want the preacher to mention; it is the sin you are fond of making an excuse for; it is the sin you cleverly commit in secret which no one can detect; it is the sin that easily leads into captivity, it is the sin you are always ready to defend; it is the sin that causes doubt when you are praying.

Your pet sin is the one you find difficult to give up, the sin you think is so small that God cannot see! Yet it is so prominent to you that you cannot do without it. This is the sin the Bible calls, "easily besetting sin", it is the sin you call your weakness, or the one inherited from your grandfather. Why not be honest with yourself by calling sin its proper name.

Instead of some to sincerely agree that they are very jealous persons, they would rather claim that they are just being watchful. Instead of others to concede the fact that they are covetous, they would rather say that they are just being economical. For some to concede that they are proud, they would rather say that it is self-respect. While others would not admit that they argue too much, they opine that they are just expressing themselves.

In preference for having perverse and stubborn spirits, some would say, "I just want to be firm." Rather than agree that they have critical spirit, some would say they have the spirit of discernment. Those who ought to admit that it is fear that is ruling their lives would submit that they are just a bit cautious. It is high time to be honest with yourself, make sure you sincerely call a spade a spade in these last days. can sin, sin, get down before God and ask Him to set you free and to make you an overcomer. You are however not ready yet if you are saying that after all, majority are doing it and as such, you are not the only one doing it. However, if you determine that you don't want the small sin to spoil your divine destiny or destroy your

eternity, then, you must cry unto the Lord in repentance. A lot of us need to find our tears again, that is, in genuine sorrowful repentance unto God.

- **Blaming one's past** - You gamble with your destiny when you waste tomorrow by feeding on yesterday, that is; you should stop blaming your past and focus on your future. You can learn from your past, but spend your energy on your future. You Cannot go back to your past to change it, it has already gone, therefore, you have to look forward and change your future.

- **Refusal to always tell the truth** - You are gambling with your destiny when you refuse to always tell the truth. Know for sure that God cannot build on a lie and whoever builds his life on a lie is deceiving himself. This explains why many companies and institutions don't last long. The more lies that you build your life upon, the more woeful it falls down, that is why the ninth commandment says, ***"thou shalt not lie."***

A man of God once said, "If you always tell the truth, you don't have to struggle to remember what you said before," but one tends to forget statements previously made when it is made of lies. If you desire to reach your full destiny in life, always tell the truth as every little dishonesty won't get you anywhere.

Your falsehood might seem to be prospering you a bit, but with a major loss eventually and ultimately. When you build something on a lie and you are asking God to bless you, you are deceiving yourself.

You will never have true success if you build your future on a lie. Are you working with a fake certificate? You can't achieve anything worthwhile with it. By so doing, you are basing your life on falsehood.

There are about seven tragedies facing a liar, They are as follows:

- i. If you are a liar, you will attract liars into your life- For example, when you consult a doctor, he would be telling lies to you, everybody surrounding you will be deceiving you with their lies.
- ii. The person telling lies will lack understanding.
- iii. He would not enjoy permanent success because; all the lies built up will be apprehended by the truth one day.
- iv. A liar will end in bondage and failure and he would think he is being harassed by the enemy, without knowing that he is reaping the reward of lying.
- v. If you tell lies, you become a fool, says the Bible.
- vi. He will eventually be punished.
- vii. If you are telling lies, the lies will always come back to harm you, that is, to torment and this is tragic.

When a believer is asked to tell lies against somebody, even if he is at the point of death, he should say, "No! I cannot tell this lie." Those who are truly free don't fear death, it then means that, if you are still afraid of death, you are in bondage. The devil will not fear you either, as he will always resort to threatening you with death.

- **Choosing friends unwisely** - Beloved, your friends should be those who inspire you, those who bring out the best in you, those who add to you, not those who subtract from you.

If you are a spinster desiring to marry, marry someone who will bring out the best in you. Don't marry a deficit; someone you will be forcing to either pray or read the Bible, instead, marry a man who will challenge you, ask you questions, encourage you to research a lot of things in the Bible, someone who always keeps you on your toes, etc. This has nothing to do with beauty or handsomeness, for the Bible says these are vain. This is necessary because; we become like the people we associate with eventually.

If you move with the proud, you will become proud; if you walk with nonentities you will turn a nonentity. Amateurs will always teach others to become amateurs; somebody with F-9 in Mathematics cannot coach a person to score A-1, this is because he doesn't know it himself.

There are some people who would not listen to anybody including their parents, but if you ask their intimate friends to talk to them, they would straightaway oblige to listen, and if those friends happen to be unwise, then they will find themselves in more trouble.

- **Unwillingness to change** - When you stop growing in Christ, then you have decided to fail. A wise fellow must always be prepared to change. As a secretary, if you go for an interview in a modern institution and they ask you the type of machine you are familiar with,

and you tell them it is only manual typewriter that you can handle, even when they ask you to go and learn the modern electric typewriter and computer typesetting, you still insist that you are not interested in changing from the old manual typewriter, then you are gambling with your destiny.

- **Life without purpose** - A person who doesn't know the reason for his existence, who doesn't understand life, is a gambler.

Say this loud and clear: **I refuse to gamble with my destiny, in Jesus' name.**

- **Consultants of local destiny diverters** - You are gambling with your destiny when you are consulting local destiny diverters.

Many years ago, I was invited to a church where I shared a message on the topic, "eaters of flesh and drinkers of blood." As I began to talk, I discovered that there were about seven expensively dressed ladies in the front row before me. They looked so excited and intelligent, but as soon as I announced my topic, I noticed they started to disappear one by one with the exception of one.

When I finished the message, we started praying. After the prayer, I noticed that the last lady sitting in the front was no longer there, but as I looked carefully under the seat, I saw her lying unconsciously there. I went there and pulled her out and she began to say, "My name is Gbaiye ..." Then I asked, "Who are you Gbaiye?" She replied, "I am a witch." I said, "What are you doing here?" She replied, "I didn't know that today's prayer would be like this."

Then I called the pastor and asked him about the lady. The pastor said he had never seen her before, then suddenly, the whole church started to pray for her, casting out the evil spirit and there was an uproar. Soon after the prayer, I heard some people exclaiming, "Ah! Prophetess, is this not our prophetess?" Then I asked, "Where?" I was told the church where she was operating, but the prophetess confessed to being a witch!

Supposing you go to this kind of person for spiritual consultation, she would see what the Almighty has designed for your life. O yes, they can see it and their purpose is to divert it, so that they can afterwards give you another counterfeit destiny different from the one the Almighty designed for you.

Sometimes, destiny is diverted out of ignorance, stupidity, and carelessness of people. It may even be transferred to their children. As a result of the present economic situation, these sorts of destiny diverters and false prophets are on the increase. They pray on sponge and soap, and give spiritual bathes, with the hidden motive of washing your divine destiny away.

There was a man who complained that they often promote others above him, so he went to consult a prophet and the prophet gave him sponge and soap to bathe with instruction to throw the sponge and remaining soap into the sea while his eyes remained closed. He told him that he should never look back or else the problem would continue.

He went there as instructed, threw the thing into the sea, made a round about turn and went back home. Immediately he got home, he found himself in the midst of a witchcraft meeting. The sponge had been used to wash away all that he had.

Soap and sponge prayers are not New Testament prayers. The New Testament prophet is a little different from the Old Testament prophet, in fact, prophetic consultation concerning revelation in the New Testament is unscriptural, it rather leads to error. In the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit used to descend on the prophets occasionally, but in the New Testament, everybody has access to that same Holy Spirit. When the Holy Spirit now abandons you to go and talk to others about you without your knowledge, then you are in trouble. If you fail to look inwards, you won't solve any problem.

There are people who are satanic vendors, they are preoccupied with inviting people to all kinds of places like this; they are all inviting the anger of God.

I heard of a man in our ministry, who had a separate location he created at the back of the church auditorium to attend to people and some people are gullible enough to contact him to see visions for them. When we challenged him, we discovered he was not a serious believer because; he doesn't participate in most of our programmes in the church.

A while ago, a professor came to me for prayer and said. "G. O., I am the eldest in my family, others have died, I notice that everyone

of them died after they might have been invited to preside over one social function or the other in the family, and a wedding is approaching of which I have been made the chairman." With this observation, he did not want to go to this marriage ceremony although he was the most qualified, being the head of the family. To this end, he came for counseling to know what to do. I told him to pray for wisdom, so that God could teach him what to do.

On the day of the wedding, he carried his bag and made for his car. When he got to the side of his car, he decided to somersault. He was rolling on the floor shouting "My stomach, my stomach." That was how the professor was left alone. (Not that he was actually having stomach pain, but he pretended). When he fell down rolling on the ground, they came to call me and when I got there, he ordered everybody out, then he confided in me that there was nothing wrong with him, that he simply did not want to go. So, I left the place and told them to continue to pray for him.

However, an interesting thing about the drama was that, before I got there, they had called a false prophet who raised an alarming prophecy that forty witches were holding his leg. You can't blame him, after all, they call him a prophet and he should perform. In the New Testament Christianity, it is wrong for a Christian to consult a prophet or prophetess for a revelation.

There is no guide as comparable to the Bible and the Holy Spirit. Immediately you break the New Testament injunction and you go for

that kind of consultation, the enemy will pollute it and divert your destiny.

By the time you study the background of the so-called prophetesses, you may discover to your chagrin that some are half witches and in some cases, they killed their husbands.

This message therefore serves as a warning to the 'Church' because; there are many of them around nowadays. I am equally aware that some of these so-called prophets do attend our meetings at the headquarters and many people follow them for consultations. To such people, I say desist from following them because; it amounts to diversion. Those who are practicing it are looking for trouble too.

We used to have a woman here who called herself a prophetess. I told her to stop parading herself by that name but she refused. The last time I saw her at Ibadan, she had been put in the family way by one of her 'customers' that called on her for consultation, and she is supposed to be married.

Why should someone tell you to go and give alms to three blind beggars? Where did he see that example in the New Testament? What New Testament practice supports the idea of asking people to go and pour oil on Epsom salt for holy bathes? When people begin to practice unbiblical things, problems creep in. They ask people to bring their pyjamas for prayers: where do they see such doctrine in the Bible? They do all sorts of things but they don't really point out sins in the lives of people.

That is why in our ministry, we have engaged full time counselors, deliverance ministers, prayer warriors, and healing ministers. Therefore, whoever needs help is free to see them. They are always here by 9.00 a.m.

The reason I am emphasising this is because of the degree of wickedness associated with satanic consultation. We even know of people who introduce others in the church to herbalists, those people who pretend to be your friends by so doing are really your enemies and not your friends.

A man wrote a letter to us sometimes ago to inform us that, someone in one of the church meetings spoke to him concerning a prophet at the bar-beach and made a promise to lead him there. Eventually, they arranged and went there for consultation and at the end, his problem doubled; it was when he came back that he wrote the letter. In the letter, he gave us the name of the person who took him for the consultation. We announced that name for almost six weeks for discussion, but he did not show up.

We are saying all these to warn children of God to be very careful because; all these evil people change people's destinies and that explains why a lot of destinies have been diverted. Know for sure that your so-called friend that took you to a prophet where candles and incenses were burnt on your behalf is not your friend, but your enemy.

A friend told me he went to see a pastor from Warri (in Western part of Nigeria) for prayer, who asked him to read a chapter of the Bible which he had no interest to read, (he only wanted prayer from the pastor). Suddenly, somebody tapped him on the back and offered to take him for the prayer he needed, somewhere in Makoko community of Lagos. They got to an old woman who collected consultation fee before they gained entry. As they entered into the dark room, they saw thousands of birds flying around in the afternoon! So, the fellow was asked to begin to tell all his problems to those birds flying around. He became afraid at the sight and when the woman saw that he was very reluctant, he was pushed out of the place to allow others waiting outside to come in. Eventually, he developed headache because; while he was in the dark strange room, one of the flying birds touched his head with its feathers and as a result, he ran back to the Warri pastor.

Going to a Christian prophet for direction and guidance is a violation of the new covenant which gives direct access and approach to God through the Holy Spirit. New Testament people receive guidance and direction for their lives from the Holy Spirit and Scriptures. Don't allow diverters to divert your life's journey. They may tell you that a lot of dignitaries are going there, but what dignity is in one sitting on people's blood and burying cows? They don't look dignified in the sight of God for the fact that they go for such consultations.

Matthew was a tax collector and a civil servant, but his destiny was to be an Apostle. Eventually, he became what God wanted him to be.

Gideon was a common labourer, but his destiny was meant to be a valiant leader of men and later, he became exactly that.

Jacob was a subtle deceiver, but his destiny was to become Israel and that God should be called the God of Jacob. God bridged the gap and he fulfilled his destiny.

Peter was a fisherman, but his destiny was to become the rock, and God bridged the gap.

Deborah was a housewife whose destiny was to become a Judge in Israel. She fulfilled her destiny.

Moses was a stammerer, but his destiny was to become a deliverer- he later fulfilled his destiny.

Paul was a persecutor; his destiny was to become the greatest missionary and he fulfilled it.

David was a shepherd boy whose destiny was to become the greatest king in Israel and he did become that.

Joseph was a prisoner, but his destiny was to become a prime minister and he fulfilled it.

All that God needs in order for you to fulfill your divine destiny is the whole of you.

There is need to pray against diverters of divine destiny.

- Delilah diverted Samson,
- Money diverted Gehazi,
- and Potiphar's wife almost diverted Joseph.

I don't know what your diverter is, but your failure to get rid of them means you are gambling with your destiny.

If you have been consulting prophets and prophetesses, going to queue up in questionable places, you should fall on your knees and ask the Lord to forgive you, and that God should restore whatever has been stolen from your life.

Also, if you call yourself a prophet or prophetess, deceiving people all about, you should fall on your knees and cry for mercy too, so that God can forgive you for carrying out ungodly assignments.

You have a great opportunity now. If you have prayed on candle before or you have been asked to lie on your back or beside banana trees; or they have asked you to remove your clothes and throw it into the water; you should fall on your knees and ask for forgiveness for these sorts of things that you have allowed to easily divert you.

Perhaps you have put incisions on your body; you had once been under satanic custody they call 'protection' or you have prayed in the nude; or you've collected people from living churches to consult all those prophets and prophetesses, you are a diverter and an evil vendor. You need to call on the Lord in repentance, so that what

happened to Ananias and Sapphira will not happen to you. This is an opportunity for you, tomorrow might be too late!

PRAYER POINTS

1. O Lord, give me the ability that is equal to my opportunity, in the name of Jesus.
2. O Lord, empower me to pluck the seed of success, in the name of Jesus.
3. O Lord, empower me to reach my goal, in the name of Jesus.
4. O Lord, give me sufficient days to reach my goal, in the name of Jesus.
5. O Lord, guide my words and let them bear fruits, in the name of Jesus.
6. O Lord, silence me from gossiping, in the name of Jesus.
7. O Lord, give me divine alertness to recognize divine opportunities, in the name of Jesus.
8. Every anti-prosperity dream, die! in the mighty name of Jesus.
9. Failure shall not slaughter my destiny, in Jesus' name.
10. O Lord, let me become all that You have planned for me.

DRAWERS OF POWER FROM THE HEAVENLIES

chapter seven THE VANDALIZED DESTINY

Before we continue, I advise you to pray the following prayer points aggressively:

1. Anything that has been planted against me, will not take root, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every agent of witchcraft in my environment, I blow you away with the whirlwind of God, in the name of Jesus.
3. *(Point your fingers towards the heavenlies)* I bring the blood of Jesus against every barrier mounted against me in the heavenlies, in the name of Jesus.
4. Every consultation of sorcery against me, be frustrated! in the name of Jesus.
5. Every law of death over my life, be broken! in the name of Jesus.

In previous chapter, we looked at issues pertaining to our lives here on earth. If you have been following the messages, you will discover they focused on a particular thing, which is, we must fulfill our divine destinies. No one has the right to remain alive if that person fails to fulfill his divine destiny, neither has he any right to die too!.

You will have to direct your prayer along this line in your life until you find back the path towards fulfilling your destiny. This is the pattern of blessing. God was not blind when he was calling on Adam in the garden of Eden, but the snag was that Adam had deviated from the path of his divine destiny. Adam was being queried by God, "Adam, where are you now? What have you done with your life?..."

Close your eyes and say this out loud: **I will reach my goal, whether the devil likes it or not, in the name of Jesus.**

In Proverbs 11:9, the Bible says; **"An hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered."**

The reverse of the second sentence holds true for the just who is ignorant. For him it may read thus; "through ignorance shall the just be in bondage ..."

What is God saying about your destiny? Look at the Book of Jeremiah 29:11; **"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end."**

Here, the Almighty is telling you concerning His thoughts towards you. You may not know what the Lord is thinking about you, but the Lord is saying to you that He knows His thoughts towards you, it is to make you fulfill your divine destiny.

Several years back, I took a man who was a national of Togo to church, he did not understand much of the two languages of communication - Yoruba and English languages, but he was nonetheless very regular at all the meetings. I noticed he had a hunger and thirst in his heart for God because; he was always punctual to all services, he never came late. He carried a Bible which he could not read well because his level of literacy was low.

During a meeting organised for the baptism in the Holy Ghost, he participated and God laid His hands upon him and he received fire upon his life. Eventually, this brother began to speak in tongues and prophesy. Thereafter, he was able to read and understand the Bible. The Baptism of fire opened doors in his life that I began to also notice a peculiar gift which I, that introduced him to the church lacked. Whenever we were walking together, he often told me to take a look at some people and he would be saying, "Daniel, see that man, don't you see that he is carrying a coffin?" I did confess to him of seeing nothing. Meanwhile, within two or three days, the fellow he referred to would die.

On some occasions, he would retort, "Oh! what a pity! Can't you see that lady ..." Later, I began to get annoyed with myself for seeing

nothing when my convert was seeing things. One basic thing I learnt from him was that, a lot of destinies had been vandalised. This is because; he would see somebody dressing well in the spirit, but in complete rags in the physical. I would never forget a day we passed by a bridge, wherein there was this fellow sleeping under it. He expressed pity for the ragged man in his usual manner, adding that the man was not supposed to be in this country because; he saw white men bowing to him. The paradox is that, although the white men were meant to be bowing to him, he was living under the bridge. His destiny had been vandalised.

The fact that the brother saw the man under the bridge in that vision meant that, there still could be a redress of his situation if he knew what to do. All that the enemy had vandalised in his life could still be recovered if he could take some positive steps. There was a day we parked a car somewhere and by the time we went back for it, we discovered that the car had been turned upside down and the four tyres plus the rims were removed, including the radiator. That is what we call vandalism.

To vandalise is to destroy things willfully. In other words, it is willful or senseless destruction of things. Do you know that there are some powers that can prevent you from knowing whom you are? If you fail to know who you are, then someone will tell you and that fellow is Mr. devil. Do you know that there are some powers that can prevent you from knowing whom you should please with your life? If you

don't know whom to please, you will be destabilised by criticism, competition, or conflict. If you are sure that your life is pleasing the Lord, then you would not be bothered about criticism or competition.

These powers know that the day you discover your identity is the day you will start praying to recover things you have lost. Many people are going about with identity cards of the enemy, I pray that the fire of God shall burn such identity cards in your life, in the name of Jesus.

Do you know also that there are some powers that can prevent a person from accomplishing what God wants him to accomplish in life? Your failure to know what you are meant to accomplish in life will make somebody else to set your agenda for you. If you don't know what to accomplish in life, you will be sidetracked.

Do you know that there are some powers that can prevent people from having a sense of destiny? They ensure that people don't really know what they are tailored for Moses had a sense of destiny and that was why he killed the Egyptian that fought with an Israelite. Later, he discovered that he could not walk in his own power but in the power of God.

Jesus had a sense of destiny. When he was twelve years old, his parents were looking for him for about two or three days and later, they found Him in the temple in Jerusalem sitting with teachers and scribes, asking them questions. When they saw Him, they queried Him and He replied, "Don't you know that I must be going about my

Father's business? So, Jesus knew His destiny even at the age of twelve.

SPIRITUAL VANDALS

We have countless number of spiritual vandals in the world and they like to attack seven major areas of our destinies. These areas are as follows:

- **The circumstances surrounding our birth** - Once they start with the person right from birth, it is like putting a person in deficit, and this will put the person in trouble because his foundation is made faulty before he starts anything in life.

It was like the other time in an examination hall, a candidate's biro fell down from his hand for three consecutive times in which the invigilator warned him. When the biro fell from his hand the fourth time, the invigilator had to write minus ten on his script and this was an examination they were yet to start. This means, he was already in deficit before the start of the examination.

A nursing sister who is a member of our headquarters church in Lagos did not know the implication of what her hospital's managing director was doing, until she came to our church. The managing director gave a standing instruction to his staff to fill a bottle with the first water used to bathe every new born baby in his hospital. He stores the water in the bottle and takes it home. Eventually, the sister cultivated the habit of giving quick baths to the newborn babies and

have the water thrown away, but the man used to get angry whenever he knew about it. The sister did not know the secret behind it until one day, when she saw him drinking the water. As a result, she resigned her appointment there.

There is no doubt all the babies born in such places are starting off with deficit, more so, when their parents cannot pray.

- **The name you bear** - When you see people in the family circle putting their heads together to give name to a baby, it is in order to make the name receive witchcraft blessing.

The baby would be given a 'coded name' that will enable the fellow start off with deficit in life.

For example, Jacob's destiny was upside down until the angel changed his name to Israel. It was glaring that the major cause of Jacob's problem lied in his name, it was also apparent that there were demons that were harassing his life, turning his destiny upside down.

- **Parental sins** - If the devil has the foreknowledge that a person will become great, he could push the parents into terrible sins that would affect the children.

I met a multimillionaire in Ibadan who had about sixteen cars, but within three months, he started going about on hired motor bikes. He lost everything and was going to places for prayers until he got to a man of God who asked him whether he knew much about his father. He told the man of God that his father was a warrior. The man of

God asked about his grandfather and he said he too was equally a warrior. The man of God told him that he saw a vision concerning six persons being buried alive. He confirmed this vision and said in truth, his grandfather buried six persons alive when he wanted to go for a battle and that those six victims issued terrible curses. The man of God then told him that those curses are now working against him. It was the devil that activated this in order to vandalise his destiny.

- **Career failure** - Do you know that there are so many Christians who do not have a career? When you don't know the right thing to do, it is these vandals that have turned your life upside down.

- **Spiritual Diversion** - When the enemy is aware that you are still struggling in the midst of your failure to achieve progress, they ensure that you don't go to the right places. One of the things that saddens me is seeing a converted Muslim going to the wrong spiritual places and he begins to wonder and ponder that, "Even we Muslims are much more disciplined in our mosques, which one is this again?" Some people are being diverted to their family churches and when one of their daughters introduces a husband, they refuse on the ground that he doesn't belong to their church. What a diversion!

- **Marriage** - The second worst thing comparable to hell fire is a bad marriage. The moment the devil is able to succeed in polluting your marriage, it will be very difficult to fulfill your divine destiny, unless the Almighty God comes down to do a rearrangement.

- **The life-span** -The devil would plan to shorten a person's life-span when he knows the person is bent on making it. He would try to kill the person so that he can get him out of the scene.

These seven areas are always being attacked by spiritual vandals working against man's destiny.

A man studied medicine, bagged a good degree and his graduation was celebrated with pomp and funfair. He started working in the clinic which the parents opened for him. One day, he stood in the front of the clinic screaming, "I don't want any patient in this place, all of you getaway! ..."

The parents came and took him away going from place to place and when they could not help him, they abandoned him. Eventually, it resulted into a big shame for the parents, hence they were forced to change their location and left him roaming around. Then, somebody brought him to a Pentecostal meeting where prayers were prayed for him. When they asked him why he was behaving like that, he said a voice would order him, "Run! Shout! Stop!, etc." His destiny was vandalised. Please, close your eyes and pray like this: **Every evil power, tampering with my destiny, I command the fire of God to burn you to ashes, in the name of Jesus.**

A sister had a terrible spirit husband. Each time a man proposed to marry her, she would be happy and rejoicing on her way home, but by the following morning, she would wake up to discover that her face is seriously infected with mysterious eczema and pimples. So,

when next the man dating her sees her, he would begin to wonder and doubt whether she was the one he dated the other day. Her face would look so ugly and uninviting and if the man still insisted on marrying her, he would die within two weeks.

To this end, the sister was nicknamed, "Sister death sentence." What happened to her? Her destiny was vandalised by the spirit husband.

An air hostess once grabbed a man of God in the aircraft. As the man of God was wondering what was the matter, she introduced herself as somebody with hunchback who attended a crusade hosted over by him. She said she received her miracle when he gave the word of knowledge that, "There is a woman here with a hunchback which is now being melted away by fire." She said the moment he said this, she could feel the crackling sound of spiritual operation going on her back, and this marked the end of her hunchback. Her being employed as an air hostess buttress her claim of having truly received that miracle, for there is no way they would have engaged her with the hunchback.

What happened to her? Her destiny was vandalised, but the spirit of the living God rearranged that destiny and that implies that, the hunchback was not supposed to be there, the enemy puts it on her to demote her destiny.

Say this loud and clear: **My destiny shall not be demoted, in the name of Jesus.**

HOW THE SPIRITUAL VANDALS OPERATE

These vandals have their strategies and you should understand how they operate:

- **Shoot and go** - There is what the Bible calls, "the fiery darts of the enemy," that is a temporary harassment by the enemy. The enemy earmarks just two hours to harass, feed and oppress a person in the night, it is like an operation of night raiders and after the two hours, they would go. The victim may wake up in the morning feeling funny, or he might not be able to sleep that night.

A lot of people are suffering from this, but it is not difficult to remove. If you have ever lived within a particular community in the South-West of Nigeria, their common weapon of attack is called, 'bullets.' The ministers of God working in that area are familiar with this, you often see marks appearing on the flesh as if it is burnt, and when they pray to return the bullets back to the sender, then they recover and the marks disappear.

- **Automatic failure mechanism / near success syndrome** - Another form of attack is failure at the edge of success. This is what others call 'automatic failure mechanism' or 'near success syndrome.' The victim struggles, runs around, and puts all efforts to succeed only to find everything collapsing at the edge of breakthrough. If you take it for granted and you refuse to do anything about it, it would continue to operate in your life this way.

- **The foothold of the enemy** - There is also the foothold of the enemy. They use these footholds to gain entry into one's life. For example, if you have been coming to MFM and anger and pride are still in your life, any demon that comes could use these as a ladder to step into your life. All the anger that propels you to violently bang the doors and to be hissing at people is a foothold for the enemy in your life.

- **Stronghold** -The stronghold is another strategy of vandals of destiny. This is the most severe of all because; it goes from generation to generation. If you study the generation of Abraham, you will see strongholds in that family.

For example, Abraham told Abimelech a lie that Sarah was not his wife. About forty years later, Isaac (his son) told Abimelech and Pharaoh the same lie. Sixty years after, Jacob and his mother deceived the same Isaac. Eighty years later, Laban deceived Jacob. Hundred years after, Jacob's children also deceived him, and one hundred and twenty years later, Reuben slept with his father's wives. One hundred and forty years later, Judah slept with his daughter in law-cycle of strongholds from generation to generation.

In a stronghold, the enemy moves from one generation to another making spiritual vandals to entrench themselves. So, whichever way they have been attacking your destiny, you can fight back, and your parental background will determine the intensity of your battle.

If Israel had not gone to Egypt, they would not have needed to cross the Red Sea. We don't choose our battles or our enemies and problems, but we can choose our weapons of retaliation. "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds..." (2 Cor. 10:4). The weapons of our warfare are not fighting, shouting or carrying things to fight the strange woman. There are people who become supernaturally stronger when they get angry such that when about six men hold them, they would not be able to subdue them-at that stage, stronghold is at work in their lives.

A man started a drama on his wedding day. As he puts on his suit, he removed it, he puts it on again and removed it, and as he continued this way, his best man asked him, "My friend, I hope there is nothing wrong?" He told him he did not feel like going for the wedding again. Why? It was later discovered that he had a spirit wife. Eventually, he finally removed the suit and went to play table-tennis while the bride was expecting him in the church.

The fact that you have a problem means that you have something worth contending for. Therefore, vandals of your destiny must be burnt to ashes.

You should confess this: **My raindrops will wash away mountains. My ants will devour tiger. My star shall brighten the earth. I will never embrace defeat, in the name of Jesus.**

A bride was shedding tears of joy at her wedding reception. When curious-well-wishers asked her why she was crying, she showed them a picture she took three years earlier. In it, they found her crippled and crawling on her belly. She was at a meeting where God healed her, otherwise it might have been difficult finding a husband in that condition. Certainly, evil powers had re-arranged her destiny for her, but God changed it miraculously.

I want to encourage you to pray the way you have never prayed before. It doesn't matter how long you have been in your situation. If you have been diverted and vandals have destroyed your destiny, it is time for you to cry unto God for a re-arrangement. Blind Bartimeaus cried out for a rearrangement and God Almighty re-arranged him.

God will never reject a cry from the depth of the heart. This is an opportunity you cannot afford to lose if you want a change of your destiny. You need to cry unto the Lord to re-arrange anything vandals have destroyed in your life.

However before you pray, first confess any sin in your life that can hinder you.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Every witchcraft re-arrangement of my destiny, be reversed now! in the name of Jesus.

2. I bring fire from the kitchen of God, to consume every destiny demoter to ashes, ,in the name of Jesus.
3. Every spirit wife/husband, fall down and die! in the name of Jesus.
4. All my money diverted by witchcraft, come back to me now! in the name of Jesus.

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chapter eight THE WRESTLE FOR DESTINY

I want to summarise the teaching on destiny with this chapter, but before I continue, pray these prayer points.

1. O God arise, let Your enemies in my life scatter! in the name of Jesus.
2. O God arise, let every witchcraft against me scatter! in the name of Jesus.
3. O God arise, let every marine power against me scatter! in the name of Jesus.
4. I receive power to change my destiny for the best, in the name of Jesus.
5. Any gift I have received to pollute my destiny, roast! in the name of Jesus.

The Bible makes us to understand that our fight with the enemy is like a wrestling match. It does not refer to boxing because; boxing is

a bit restrictive. For example, in a boxing match, you are not allowed to hit below the belt, you are not allowed to use your legs and you are not even permitted to use your teeth like somebody did sometime ago.

Wrestling however is quite different; you are allowed to use practically anything to fight. There is almost no rules attached to a wrestling match; you can strangle the neck of your opponent with your two legs; you can decide to blow his tummy with your fist; you can carry him up and throw him out they are all allowed.

This is the exact Biblical description of the kind of fight we are facing as Christians. The fight can sometimes be viciously and terribly wicked by approach. The Bible says, ***"For we wrestle, not against flesh and blood but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of darkness, and against spiritual wickedness in high places."*** (Eph. 6:12).

In a wrestling fight, If you break the bones of your opponent, or you twist his neck to the back-it is allowed. It is not the kind of sport where you take things for granted. In the same vein, you cannot afford not to be meticulous about your spiritual life. Anytime you begin to notice that your prayer temperature is going down, you had better be up and doing. Any time you notice that your Bible reading is reducing, you had better wake up-start to wrestle and begin to fight.

A brother was leaving close to a herbalist. Initially, he did not know that the man was a herbalist, what he noticed was that he used to see people streaming to him and on some occasions, he had seen some of the members of his church there, hence, he concluded the man could not be on the side of evil. He did not know that the snapshot prayers he was doing at night used to disturb the herbalist a lot, the brother's prayers used to nullify the herbalist's.

So, the herbalist decided to wage war against this brother. Through evil powers, the herbalist would ensure he was in this brother's room by 12 a.m. every night to fire him arrows. (I am talking of entry without opening of doors). The kind of forces we are talking about cannot be deterred or prevented by either barbed wire or iron gate, they would pass through them.

However, each time this man got into the room of this brother, he used to see a wall of fire surrounding him, including two swords waving every which way about him. In all his twenty five years of talking with evil spirits, he had never seen any kind of thing like that. He kept wondering what kind of power this young man possessed. Notwithstanding, he kept monitoring him until one day when the brother felt too much fatigue that he could not really pray as usual. This man came that night only to discover that there was only the fire, the swords were not present. So, he determined not to relent in coming, hoping that one day, the fire too would no more be there.

No wonder the Bible says we wrestle not against flesh and blood... Equally, no wonder an adage says may God deliver us from someone stalking our lives without our knowledge. So, this brother did not know that he was under close surveillance of the enemy until one night when this brother was praying and the Lord opened his eyes to see the herbalist with two sex organs - one of a male, the other of a female. It was then clear to him that the man was not an ordinary person, as a result, he changed his strategy. Every night, he would lay his hands on the wall facing the direction of the herbalist's room. and command the fire of God to go there. As a result, confusion started in the herbalist's room such that, the man had to come to him and say, "Where is your power...?"

This serves as an example. You too can never tell what is happening where you live. You may not know where your colleagues in your office have gone to for evil power against you. You can never tell the kind of people your co-tenants are or what your landlord buried inside that building.

In Genesis32:24-29,the Bible has this to say;

"And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him, And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou

bleed me. And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob. And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed. And Jacob asked him, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there."

Nothing happened to Jacob until the time he was alone with God. Some of us need to find time and get alone with God. During the course of his wrestling, God touched the long leg with which he used to go about cheating people. After the duel and right from that day, God became the God of Jacob. Before then, God was not being addressed as the God of Jacob, even the very Jacob could not understand his identity, he was a confused and lost fellow without any aim or direction, until he wrestled with God and his destiny changed for the better.

Listen to this prophetic words. The Lord says, " My son must not marry an harlot, if you do, then your destiny changes for ever." The Lord says, "The iniquity and the stains in the lives of my children shall be sterilised." The Lord says," All shall see you and shall know that God is not mocked." The Lord also says He is aggrieved concerning His children who have scattered without direction," but my prayer for you is that, you shall find direction, in Jesus' name.

The Lord also said, " the vultures and dark birds in the families are eating up His children, but that God's children shall be vomited out of their mouths."

Close your eyes and pray like this: **I refuse to be swallowed by household wickedness, in the name of Jesus.**

Many like Jacob have abandoned their project of prosperity and have allowed evil to build a house inside them; and many have also allowed infiltration of a gents in their homes.

A brother was given the custody of a small girl as an "extra" after he wedded his wife in accordance with tradition. However, the sad story was that, this small girl almost killed the bride. Every night, the wife would be feeling that somebody was walking about on her stomach, until the girl confessed one day that twenty one of her satanic colleagues were the ones walking on her stomach.

When they came to me for counseling, they told me they wanted to 'play fine Christians'; they wanted to be merciful to the girl that she would have to go for deliverance and then continue to stay with them. Then I brought their attention to her (the Wife) figure in the photograph she took during the wedding three months earlier and to her present figure as at that time. It was apparent she looked about twenty years older than before she wedded three months earlier, and I had to counsel them to send the girl away immediately.

We must go beyond just knowing people through facial knowledge. We must know them for whom they are. For example, during an

employment process, the certificate is one of the factors of knowing the would-be employee after the flesh, but when you go and pray about him, it is then you will be able to know him for who he is after the spirit. It is possible for the Lord to tell an employer after prayer to employ a Muslim. It is possible for God to reveal a trickish Mr. Joseph who comes to you for employment.

An house-help sometimes falls down screaming and everybody started running helter-skelter to assist her, but she kept on saying, "Carry me to the village, carry me to the village ..." Eventually, they yielded to her request and got her transferred to the village. What was the implication? She devised a trick to pass information of what was going on with the people she was staying with to them in the village, thus, she completed her assignment.

There are so many people who gather money to start a project, only to discover that all of a sudden, trouble erupts; a certain key figure in the project may die, or there may be a major breakdown in the vehicle or machinery, or people around them might be living in penury such that they make them dry financially.

A lot of people find themselves being frustrated this way, but the truth is this, God does not carry out any useless exercise.

If God puts you here, there must be a purpose. God will not create you if He has no vacancy for you in His divine programme, and His plan for your life is definite and personal. That is why you cannot use others' parameter to measure your life's programme. God has a

vision about your life, but then, some people came to the world on deficit. So, there is need for you to revisit your mother's womb and come out again anew. No wonder the Bible says ***"Whosoever is not born again cannot enter into the kingdom of God."*** John 3:3.

Having been born in deficit, you need to go back into the womb of Jesus Christ and come out born again. It is then you can become a new person. It is possible for you to change your destiny for the better if you determine to wrestle like Jacob. If it would take wrestling, take the bull by the horns and fight to win! It would be very sad for you to be attending Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries and still miss your divine destiny. Some are just graduating from cutting wood to fetching water and they are rejoicing.

This message is a challenge to such people to go back to God's original plan for their lives. Don't you know that the way Samson died was not God's agenda for him? It was neither the plan of God for Jonah to have undergone the punishment and suffering and agony he encountered. Therefore, if you are the type who has the call of God upon your life, and you are still being frivolous and unserious about it, you are inviting a great trouble into your life and the trouble will be so serious because; it is God that will bring the trouble into your life.. It therefore means that, neither herbalists, nor prayer; nor confession of the Bible, nor deliverance can help you in this situation.

I pray that none of us will get to the level where God will say it is too late, in the name of Jesus. Imagine if God says, "You are supposed to have achieved this when you were twenty-five years old, but now you are sixty-five years, having five more years to go, finish!" I pray that it will not be too late for anybody, in the name of Jesus.

It is a serious matter when the boss becomes the servant, the housewife becomes the housemaid, and the husband becomes the wife. This implies a change has taken place in such people's destinies. These are the things I would like you to challenge and wage a serious battle against.

There is a very tiny line between success and failure. A very small mistake can cause a big change in a person's destiny. Imagine someone destined to be a pilot who suddenly develops polio, how would he become a pilot?

A lady who was supposed to move mountains for Jesus got married to a wrong husband, and this caused a change in her destiny.

Somebody who was supposed to read history in the University, but went to read law has changed his destiny.

A girl who got pregnant in the secondary school has changed her destiny forever.

A man who decided to marry three wives when he could not even take care of one has marred his destiny.

In moments of anger, some people speak harsh words which the enemy use against them. Little and insignificant things like these can cause big problems in life.

WHAT TO DO

The question now is, if I know that my present position, state, and situation is not the best of God for me in terms of my divine destiny, and as such, I want to change my destiny for the best, what must I do? These connote the wrestling we have been talking about.

- **You must be born again** - That is, you must become a friend of God. This marks the foundation of everything Christianity is centered around. Are you born again? The Bible says, ***"If any man is in Christ, he becomes a new creature, old things are passed away, and behold, all things (he did not say some) are become new."*** Giving one's life to Jesus is not raising up your hands at the altar to pray and later go back to your sins. No! The tragedy of the matter is that, eighty percent of church goers are not born again.

The truly born again don't fight, they don't commit fornication, or commit adultery, or tell lies..., old things are passed away - all things are now become new, they are now born from above, they have gone back into the 'womb of Jesus' and now they are out anew. God is not obliged to bless anyone who is not His child. this is the beginning of it all. So, if you are not born again, go and seek counsel from counselors and learn how to give your life to Jesus.

This is not a question of whether you go to church or whether you belong to a Christian home, the issue is, are you sure that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Lord of your life? Has your life experienced a transformation? Has the transforming power in the word of God changed your life?

One time during fuel crisis in Nigeria, one man drove his car to block others in an attempt to jump the queue at the filling station. Incidentally, he had the sticker of this ministry on his car. A woman who happened to be a member of this ministry went to this man and said, "You are a disgrace to MFM ..." When the man heard this, he was ashamed and immediately reversed his car and sped off. This is a good example of someone who has experienced new birth. Otherwise, he would still have argued with the woman and started shouting at the top of his voice, claiming his right.

How can a couple who exchanged physical blows before they got to church claim they are born again only agreeing to suspend their quarreling until after the service? This is a clear indication that both wife and husband are not born again, despite the fact that they are putting the church stickers on their bags and Bibles. There are also many ministers who are not born again.

- **You must find out the purpose of God for your life-** If it requires three days dry fasting or even seven or more days fasting programme to find out why He brought you here, it is worth it. You see, God will not bless something which is not His purpose for you. If

God does not want you somewhere and you build a mansion there, it will not receive God's blessing. He will rather tell you that you are in a wrong place, but if you can relocate, you'll definitely have His blessing.

Ignorance is a deadly disease, hence, try to find out the purpose of God for your life. You have to pray until you know what you should do. Avoid being a grumbling and complaining child of God. You could pray a single prayer like this for three days, "O Lord, show me Your purpose for my life." And if you are serious about it; He could talk to you and His meeting with you could result in your breaking down to cry, after that, you will begin to move again.

Please, close your eyes and pray like this: **O Lord, show me Your direction for my life. Holy Spirit, if I am doing the wrong thing, correct me. In the name of Jesus.**

Now confess thus (raise up your two hands): **These hands shall be tools of blessing.**

Prophecy to your hands: **My hands, possess your possessions, in the name of Jesus.**

Every inherited bondage on my hands, break! in the name of Jesus.

- **Become a postage stamp Christian** - What does this mean? One of the characteristics of a stamp is that it sticks to the letter; this means you must be persistent. In other words, refuse to quit. Many

have stopped watering and fertilising their divine programme because it is hard, hence they missed their destiny.

Christians should be persistent, persevering and refuse to faint during trials. God may leave others in their sins and in their lives of independence, but He will correct sin in the lives of His own children. If you know where you are going, you will get there provided you continue to move forward and never relent in anyway.

• **Control the use of your time** - They say foolish men waste money, but the most foolish people waste time. If you want to move in your divine destiny, you should be mindful of how you spend your time. You need to pick your biro to do an analysis of what you do with your time.

If you discover that your time is spent like this:

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| - quiet - time | 15 minutes |
| - traveling to work | 1 hour |
| - working | 8 hours |
| - television | 3 hours |
| - prayer | 5 minutes |
| - gossip and useless talking | 1 hour |

then you need to cut all those useless time away, so that you can have dumbfounding success. Take control of your time. Instead of complaining of the flight of time, why not control the time? Men who

move in the power of God don't joke with their time. They rise up early before sunrise, do their quiet-time, read the word of God and pray-they control their time.

God will be happy the moment you create a fixed time of the day to meet with Him, before you are there, He is already there waiting for you because; that means you have raised an altar and if He doesn't find you there, you will miss your blessing. I am often surprised to see two people standing in the street to engage in endless and meaningless talk.

- **Work hard** - As a student, read hard. Some students often make the mistake of substituting hard work for the Holy Spirit. You need to read hard and sweat it out, then the Holy Spirit will bless your sweat and efforts. However, if you don't work hard and you fail, the Holy Spirit will still work by comforting you.

A story is told about two men who went to an herbalist to inquire about their future and destinies. The herbalist consulted his oracle and told the first person that he was going to become a king and on hearing this, he started to jubilate. The herbalist told the second one that he would become a wretched man and would live his life serving others. So both of them left, one jubilating and rejoicing, while the other felt very sad and dejected.

When they got home, the man whom the herbalist told would become a king began to be puffed up. He became complacent and expected to be crowned a king. Already, he was living in a fool's

paradise as he began to parade himself as the future king before the people of the town. He was living a life of self deception which later sunk him into the depth of poverty. The other man felt greatly concerned about the herbalist's revelation. So, he decided to do everything within his power to avoid this situation, hence, he left the town for another town where he started working himself to the bone on a plantation.

He made sure he cultivated all sorts of foodstuff like yam, maize, cassava and what have you. Whenever he was about to rest on his oars, a voice would whisper to him saying, "You the poor, wretched and a servant of servants, are you relenting?" This voice would ginger him up to start to work very hard again. He became prudent even in the consumption of his farm produce. At the end of the day, the harvest of his farm surpassed every one else's in the community.

Later, there was a terrible famine in his town and people were forced to sell their things in order to survive the period. They were compelled by the famine to go places in search of food. Eventually, they got to this man with an enormous stock of foodstuff. They promptly invited him to become their king and to take over the leadership of their community because of the abundant foodstuff he had. Ironically, the man who was told would become king turned wretched and became a servant of servants, whilst the would-be wretched man became the king. We learnt here that, believers must cultivate the habit of hard work, people must recognise you for hard

work. Christians are not supposed to be sleeping and be idle in their offices, they should not hide under the excuse of doing vigil to be sleeping at work. The men of God in the Bible were noted for hard work and being very industrious before God called them. God never picked a lazy person for His work in the Scriptures.

- **If you get knocked down, get up!** - A knock down is not a knock out. Only those who do not expect to win are never disappointed, disappointment will certainly come your way if you want to win. It is only those who never try that never fail. It is always better to fail when you are doing something great, than doing nothing to succeed. Learn every lesson you need to learn during failures. Gain all the experience you need to gain as well, then move ahead.

- **Be a prayer addict who is not satisfied with his or her present level** - Don't bank on the fact that because you prayed and got promoted to the post of director means you can now begin to enjoy yourself and abandon prayer: this is the spirit of demotion. This is because that promotion you are rejoicing at may be a promotion from being a "hewer of wood to a fetcher of water."

When I was studying in England, there was a fellow Nigerian who came there as well to study. Although he was very brilliant; having a first class and distinction in first degree and masters respectively, he was a thief. Eventually, they arrested and jailed him. When I paid him a visit in prison, he expressed regret that if he had listened to what I was telling him, he would not have ended in the prison. His destiny

was put on the shelf, but God delivered him. The good news is that, many of these things are still on the shelf. All we need do is to withdraw them from the shelf of the enemy by commanding the resurrection power of Jesus upon them and they will begin to operate again. AMEN!

PRAYER POINTS

1. *(Lay your hands on your head)* Anything planted in my life to destroy my destiny, come out now! in the name of Jesus.
2. Every spirit of Jericho, walking against my destiny, fall down and die! in the name of Jesus.
3. O God arise, and change my destiny for the best, in the name of Jesus.

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