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God's heartbeat is the salvation of the souls of men from sin and their establishment in His holiness. He is a Master planner and Strategist. He has mapped out ways by which the souls of men and women can be drawn to Him. In this generation of ours we see God employing a special way to convince men of His existence, His love for humanity and the reality of the two ends of eternity: heaven and hell.

He takes some chosen people to heaven and to hell to see eternal realities and brings them back to life so they may reveal what they have seen and heard to their fellow men. God has a purpose for giving these spiritual experiences to men. When apostle John was given divine revelations, the Lord gave him the following instruction:

#### Account Of Three Supernatural Visits To Heaven And Hell

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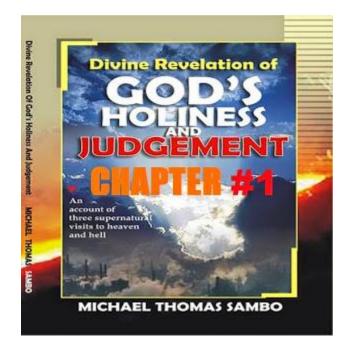
• It save the sinners and restore the backslider by its irresistible convincing power.

• It give the right force to man, the believe and Christ's minister.

• It is God call on the Church to return to the Bible truth and sound doctrine for the salvation and eternal life of her members.

• It is a message for revival of holiness and holiness movement in this end time.

It is an end time message sent to warn the sinful world of the eternal consequence of sin and prepare the Church for the soon appearing Christ.



### **Chapter 1 - My First Transit To Heaven**

Romans 9:1 "I say the truth in Christ; I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost."1 Corinthians 1:3 "Grace be unto you (that read this testimony) and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ." Revelation 1:3 "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophesy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is short."

#### **Retreat Preparation And Expectation.**

The visit of the Lord Jesus Christ to me was during the Deeper Life National Easter Retreat 2003, held in Takum Region, Taraba State. The Retreat had the caption: **EXPERIENCING THE HOLY SPIRIT.** When we saw this caption, some brethren and I decided to seek the face of the Lord so that something definite would happen during the Retreat.

We embarked on prayer and fasting and night vigils. At this time I was in the neighboring Wukari Region, thinking to attend the Easter Retreat there. But the Region Overseer of Takum Region visited Wukari and asked me to come over to Takum to attend the Easter Retreat there in order to assist the Region youth coordinator in the youth camp. I obeyed him and went to Takum for the Retreat. There in Takum we still gave ourselves to prayer. Our expectation was high. We were expecting the visitation of the Holy Spirit. The Retreat began on Wednesday 23rd and ended on Sunday 27th April, 2003.

#### The Inner Voice Of The Lord

There was rainfall the first night of the Retreat. The tempo in the camp was low. The revival we expected was not seen, even to the second day. I called the attention of the youth coordinator on the third day, being Friday, and expressed my feelings to him. I said, "This is now the third day of the Retreat and we seem not to have seen any special move of God." He assured me that from that Friday night we would see the special move of God.

We both comforted ourselves. That Friday night after retiring from the camp I went to the hostel to rest. I decided to do my quiet time that night against the following morning because I feared I might become so busy that I might not find ample time for it.

Besides I did not want to rush it the following morning. I read Isaiah 59. When I came to verse **20** where it says: "**And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the Lord.**" The Lord spoke to me through a still small voice in my heart saying, "*I will be visiting your camp tomorrow.*"

The impression I received was so deep. I though that it was just a thought that dashed at my heart. I lay down and slept after my quiet time. I woke up as early as between 4.00 to 5.00 a.m. the following morning to prepare. I still had time to pray and to seek the face of the Lord. I got the impression of Christ's visit to our camp that day so fresh and deeper than that of the previous night. He told me once again through the inner voice that He would be visiting our Retreat Camp. I worshipped the Lord. Then I took my bath and went to the tent of meeting.

#### The Appearance Of Jesus And Two Angels To Me

When I arrived at the youth tent of meeting, I called the attention of the prayer warriors and told them that the Lord had told me He would be visiting "Zion and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob." I assured them that since the Lord had promised to visit our camp today, the revival we were expecting had come. We did not pray again. We went into singing and praising God. We sang this chorus: "He is alive. Amen." We took about an hour singing this song and worshipping the Lord. After that we entered into the tent of meeting.

The programme for that day went on. I was highly expecting a revival. The youth Bible study held in groups. After the Bible study the youths came together for the summary, which was being done by a brother. I sat with the youth coordinator at the veranda of the auditorium. We were discussing. We were preparing for the question and answer session that would follow. The youth coordinator asked me to suggest the names of some brethren who would handle the question and answer session. I suggested the names of some three brethren. He asked me to include my name to make up the fourth person. I objected to this. He insisted and I yet objected to it and gave the reason: "It is necessary to give other people the chance to develop. As a student I am not always here. If others have the opportunity to develop there will be continuity in the work." My jotter, Biro and Bible were in my hand while this discussion was going on. Suddenly my eyes opened! I saw three personalities all dressed in white. They were supernatural personalities, looking bright and brilliant. The glory and splendor of God overshadowed them. The Person in the middle

was distinct from the other two. The glory, splendor and brightness that surrounded Him were so much. I tried to look into His face but was unable by reason of the brightness. The brightness of His face was as that of the sun at midday. I was afraid in my heart and wondered what I should do. I heard a still small voice saying, "Remember, the Lord told you He was visiting your camp. This is He coming, be calm." I summoned courage and sat still. The three personalities came to me. The one in the middle held my right hand and said, "I am Jesus Christ. I am He that was dead; but I am alive forever more. Brother Michael My son, I have come to take you home to show you the glory of my Kingdom in response to your prayer. Come over." Revelation 1:18 "I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."

I dropped my Bible, jotter, biro and the paper in my hand and stood up. As we were going I saw one of my friends, one of the prayer warriors, standing by. I beckoned at him with the hand and he followed me. He did not know he was following these three personalities and me. We entered the youth prayer warriors' room. There I knelt down.

The Lord repeated His statement, "I am Jesus Christ. I am He that was dead; but I am alive forever more. I am taking you home to show you the glory of My kingdom, in response to your prayer. You may come back or may not come back. In case you do not come back, tell this your friend to tell the youth coordinator to continue to do what he is doing and to stand fast on holiness and righteousness: because that is the only thing that can take a person to heaven. Let him keep on operating according to the standard he has been operating on." I told my friend, "I am going home. But this is what the Lord told me to tell the youth coordinator." I gave him the message to the youth coordinator. I said, "My friend, I am going home. Take good care of your Christian life. Bye, till we meet again." I was not sick. I was very healthy. Since he did not understand what was going on, he asked why I was speaking like that: "You are too young to speak of going home," he scolded. At this juncture, I did not understand what happened next.

#### **The Journey To Heaven**

I understood later by eyewitnesses that I fell down and died. But what I saw was that my spirit came out of my body. I put on a glorious body, shining brightly like theirs. I was also dressed in white. We took off to heaven. As we were going up through the sky, I saw one brightly beautiful place ahead of us. I tapped the Lord Jesus Christ to call his attention. I asked, "My Lord, which is that very beautiful place I am seeing ahead of us?"

#### He said, "My son, that is the place I have prepared for them that love Me from the time I departed from the earth. Don't worry, My son, we will soon arrive there." John 14:1-3

1 "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me.

2 In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

Revelation 21:5, 7:

5 "And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

#### 7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be My son."

Suddenly, we arrived at the beautiful gate. The gate was exceedingly beautiful and magnificent. It was very high. It was built with precious stones of no earthly comparison, glittering and shining. I cannot here describe the splendour of that gate because of the unavailable descriptive words in human language. All I can say about the beauty of heaven will give you just a glimpse, a title of it. The words to use to describe the beauty of heaven are not yet available to man. When we arrived at the gate I saw two mighty angels with books in their front. Immediately we arrived at the gate these angels left what they were doing and swiftly bowed down simultaneously and worshiped the Lord Jesus Christ. *Hebrews 1:6 "And again, when He bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, He saith, And let all the angels of God worship Him."* 

These two angels called my name and said, "Brother Michael, you are welcome." They returned back to their work. I saw these angels writing things and cleaning some writings. The Lord told me that they were writing down the names of new converts and cleaning the names of backsliders from the book of life.

#### Luke 10:20 "Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven."

Exodus 32:33 "And the Lord said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against Me, him will I blot out of My book." Revelation 3:5 "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels."

### The Kingly Welcome Of Jesus Into The Heavenly City

At the beautiful gate with Jesus I was hearing goodly music of indescribable inspiration. The melody was excellently perfect. When we walked into the heavenly city with Jesus Christ, this music momentarily ceased. This I understood was in honour of the King of the kingdom who had just come in, the Lord Jesus Christ. I saw the beauty of heaven with my eyes. Heaven is a place of indescribable beauty. It is the perfection of beauty. Heaven is the city of the living God. It is glorious and majestic. There are no tears or weeping in heaven. Heaven does not know sorrow.

It is filled with eternal life. When I entered into heaven I had automatic joy flooding within my soul. My heart forgot everything in the world from where I was coming. I saw that there was an automatic forgetfulness of the past. I could not remember that I was from the Retreat Camp. I was not able to remember anything about the world by reason of the overwhelming joy of heaven.

#### Revelation 21:1-4"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He shall dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God.

4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." I saw also the holiness of heaven. Heaven is too holy to accommodate sinners. Nothing impure and that is defiled can enter into heaven. **Revelation 21:27** "**And there shall in no** wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."

The books I saw with the angels at the gate were mightier than any books on earth. At the gate with Jesus, before entering in, we stood quiet. A big company of angels came and bowed down and worshipped the Lord Jesus Christ in honour of the arrival of the King of the kingdom. The angels then ushered us into heaven. When we entered through the pearly gate into heaven, all activities in heaven momentarily ceased. Heaven became so quiet.

Philippians 2:9-11"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: 10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things on earth, and things under the earth;

11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

#### **The Throne Of God**

All of a sudden Jesus Christ disappeared; I did not see Him again. However I did not ask the angels about it. We were walking on the street of gold. I was seeing my own image on the floor. Every thing in heaven is bright, shining and beautiful. The angels are swift and fast in action. They are strong supernatural beings endued with divine strength. Their eyes were bright and shining. Psalm 103:20 "Bless the Lord, ye His angels, that excel in strength, that do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word." O, what joy it was to know that heaven was mine! What a beautiful city! While walking on the street of gold along with the angels, in a moment of time, the angels led me to where Jesus was sitting. He was sitting on the throne. No tongue can describe how the throne looked like. The floor of it was built with precious stones. The throne was high and lifted up. The ray of light coming out of the throne was brighter than the sun shining in its full brightness. When I arrived at the throne I bowed down along with the two angels and worshipped the Lord Jesus Christ. I tried to look into the throne but could not because of its brightness. **Hebrews 1:8 "But unto the Son He saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom." John 10:3 "I and My Father are one."** 

I saw many elderly saints sitting about the throne. These I understand from the book of Revelation to be the twenty-four elders. I also saw some living creatures. They were so fearful to look upon. I was frightened by their sight and did not look at them the second time. Their duty day and night was to shout with a loud voice saying "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is, and is to come." When they said this, the elderly saints or twenty four elders removed the golden crowns upon their heads and cast them before the throne and prostrated and worshipped Him that sat on the throne and said "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created." I also heard a voice saying,

"Worthy, worthy, worthy, is the lamb that was slain." This was the continual duty of the living creatures and the elderly saints about the throne. Revelation 4:6-11

6 And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. 7 And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

9 And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to Him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, 10 They four and twenty elders fall down before Him that sat on the throne, and worship Him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, 11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

#### Praises And Worship In Heaven

I heard praises and worship in heaven. I never saw those who were rendering the praises and worship of the Almighty God. I asked the angel to allow me join them in the praises and worship, but he refused. It pained my heart to be denied that privilege. The voices of praises and worship which I heard were sharp, coming up as the voice of one person. There was harmony and proper co-ordination. The inspiration of the praises and worship and the glory of the music ascended up to the throne. Such praises and worship cannot be described. The music cannot be compared to any music here in the world. The music was greatly inspired. The worship brought tears of joy to my eyes. The music put smiles, joy, gladness and happiness on all faces in heaven. The praises were thrilling, glorious and attractive. As the melody and music went on, I saw some substances as round objects, very bright, come and hang on the throne and they were dangling according to the melody of the music.

I tapped the angel with me and asked what those substances were. He said, "Are you hearing the songs, music and melody going on? These come from there and hang about the throne, signifying that God has accepted the praises." The praises were coming from pure and holy hearts. **Psalm 48:1** "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness."

#### The Lord's Voice Thundered From The Throne

Then I heard the voice of Him that sat on the throne speaking like a thunder, saying to me,

"My son Brother Michael, this city is prepared only for those that love Me with all their hearts. I am He that was dead; but I am alive. I will show you the glory of this kingdom." Mark 12:29-31 "And Jesus answered and said unto him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: 30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. 31 And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these." The Lord stood up and came to me. At this time I could see Him, touch Him and feel Him. He held my right hand and we walked a short distance away from the throne. He was in the front holding my right hand. The two angels going along with us were one on my right hand side and the other on my left. We all arrived at a small river in heaven.

Jesus Christ stood on the brink of that river and said, "This is the river of the water of life." The water was clean and clear as crystal. The water was shining as glass. I saw our images on the surface of the river. Jesus again said, "This is the clean water I sprinkle upon believers as they come to me every day." Revelation 22:1 "And He shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb." Ezekiel 36:25 "Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you." Again Jesus said, "My Father has given this place into My hand." Truly I cannot say everything I heard and saw in my encounter with the Lord Jesus Christ.

### **God's Everlasting Love For Man**

By the side of the river of the water of life Jesus asked me a question,

"My son Brother Michael, do you know that I love man with an everlasting love?"

I did not respond to that question. He stretched out His right hand and I saw a scroll in His hand. He quoted **Jeremiah 31:3** "The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with

**lovingkindness have I drawn thee.**" Then Jesus said, "I love man with an everlasting love. I created man in My image, after My likeness. I did not create any other creature after My likeness, except man. I have an everlasting love for man. When I created man he had no life in him. I breathed into his nostrils and man became a living soul. I also clothed man with all My natures and attributes. I did this for man because of the everlasting love I have for him. Man is the crown of all My creation. I gave him dominion over all the things I created. But man rebelled." Genesis 1:26-31"And God said, Let us make man in Our image, after Our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowls of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them. 28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them,

Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowls of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have giving every green herb for meat: and it was so. And God saw every thing that He had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day."

When Jesus Christ said, "But man rebelled," He bowed down His head and started weeping. I saw tears running from His eyes. When I saw my Saviour weeping, I had no choice than to join Him weeping. He continued "But man rebelled and went against My command-ments. Man sinned against Me. It was like man slapped Me on My face. I was badly wounded in My heart. I made a promise immediately to bring man back to Me, because My love for man is an everlasting love." Genesis 3:11-15 "And He said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? 12 And the man said, The woman whom Thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. 13 And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me and I did eat. 14 And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: 15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her Seed; It shall bruise thy head, and thou shall bruise His heel."

Jesus continued,"Man became so wicked on earth that the imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. I said, My Spirit would not continue to strive with man. I was not happy with that generation. And I said I would destroy man with an everlasting destruction. I was not pleased; so I wiped out that generation."

Genesis 6:5-7 "And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6 And it repented the Lord that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him at His heart. 7 And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repented Me that I have made them."

Jesus continued, "I also sent them My servant Moses. I respect My holy servant Moses. I put My Spirit in him in full measure. Apart from My Spirit in Him I gave him My law to give to the people so as to bring man back to Myself; because My love for man is an everlasting love. Yet they murmured against My holy servant Moses and rebelled against Me, the Holy One of Israel.

Numbers 14:27 "How long shall I bear with this evil congregation, which murmur against Me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against Me."

"Why am I doing all these things?"

Jesus asked me. He gave the answer Himself.

"Because my love for man is an everlasting love. Nevertheless I destroyed them not, because of the covenant I made with them. I sent them kings, priests, and prophets to bring them back to Me. I sent them My holy prophet Jeremiah. I respect My servant Jeremiah. I put My spirit in him in full measure. Apart from this I gave him My word to give to the people. But very unfortunately, the people, which I created told My respected prophet saying, 'As for the word God gave to you to give to us, we will not obey it'."

Jeremiah 44:15-17 "Then all the men which knew that there wives had burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, even all the people that dwelled in the land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying, 16 As for the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of the LORD, we will not hearken unto thee. 17 But we will certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn incense unto the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have done, we, and our fathers, our kings and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem: for then had we plenty of victuals, and were well, and saw no evil." Jesus started crying. He cried like a child that was beaten with stripes. He screamed, "Man which I created, the crown of My creation!" When I saw Jesus crying I had no choice than to cry along with Him.

#### The Sacrificial Death Of Jesus Christ

Jesus continued, "The people I created abused Me to My face. They rejected Me their Saviour and killed My holy prophets. But because of the everlasting love I have for man I finally came down to the earth. I came down in a humble way. I came to My own but they received Me not. The people I love with an everlasting love rejected Me. Then I brought in the Gentile nations. I was scrutinized by mortal men. I was persecuted. I was beaten with many stripes. I was spat upon. I was scourged and mocked. A crown of thorns was laid on My head. I was crucified. My side was pierced with a spear." Matthew 26:14-68; 27:1-50

Isaiah 9:6 "For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of peace."

Luke 2:10-12 "And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. 12 And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

John 1:10, 11 "He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not, He came unto His own, and His own received Him not."

When He finished the statement, "*I was crucified.*" Immediately I saw the scene of His earthly crucifixion. I saw Him as He was nailed to the cross. I saw blood flowing down from His hands and feet. I saw a fresh wound at His side where He was pierced and blood was gushing out from there. I saw the crown of thorns on His head. I saw blood running down from His head. I was viewing this scene together with Him. He was weeping. He spread out His hands and said "All this I did for man, because I have an everlasting love for him. Yet the best way for man to reward Me is by wickedness, stubbornness, rebellion, iniquity and transgression. I lavished My love on man because I have everlasting love for him. There is nothing that is supposed to be done that has not been done for the salvation of man from sin. Yet man slaps Me on My face by committing sin every day."

Isaiah 65:2, 3 "I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walk in a way that was not good, after their own thoughts; A people that provoketh Me to anger continually to My face; that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense upon altars of bricks."

He asked me to look at His pierced side and I did. He said "This fountain of blood will continue to flow until the last day." Zechariah 13: "In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness."

Matthew 26:2 "For this is My blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins."

With tears on His face, Jesus asked me this question: "What else does man need in order to be saved from sin?"

I could not answer that question. He went further to say, "My people do not take Me by My word. They confess sins everyday, yet they remain sinners. They do not believe that My precious blood, which was shed on the cross in My vicarious death, can set them free from sin and the power of sin. I HAVE MADE THE FINAL SACRIFICE FOR THE SINS OF THE WHOLE WORLD. If there were any sinner that I had not died for, I would have come back the second time to die for him. But I have died for all and have paid the final redemption price for all. Why is man still in sin? I did all this because of My everlasting love for man. Yet man pays Me back in wickedness and rebellion. I commended My love towards them in that while they were yet sinners I died for them. My love for man is unconditional. Man did not merit or deserve it. I left My glory in heaven, My Father's throne, My honour and joy. I left everything just because of My love for man. As if that were not enough, when I departed from the world, I sent down the Holy Spirit to convict the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment.

I raised up apostles and anointed them to preach in their own time, which they were faithful in doing. They were faithful to Me. After the apostles I anointed saints of various generations to preach to the people of their time. I also raised up men and put My Spirit in them in full measure. I anointed them to preach Christ the crucified, the only One that can save man from sin. These I did to bring man back to Myself; even though many of these My servants disappointed Me."

When He said this, He bowed His head and wept. He continued, "All these I did for man because of the love I have for him. Yet man pays Me back in rebellion, wickedness and stubbornness. Due to this love I have for man, today I give mortal men like you the privilege to come alive to heaven. (Jesus tapped me and said, "Not only you, My son.") I raise men from all over the world to come up alive to see the depth and the height of My love for man and also to go and warn man of the impending danger of hell fire. Yet man hates Me more and more. 2 Chronicles 36:15, 16 "And the Lord God of their fathers sent to them by His messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because He had compassion on His people, and on His dwelling place, 16 But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised His words, and misused His prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against His people, till there was no remedy."

#### <u>Everlasting Destruction Decreed Against Rebellious</u> Man

Jesus said, "Look at the world today, how many people are serving Me in righteousness, holiness and truth?" I did not answer Him, because I could not tell the situation. Then Jesus said,

"Therefore, I will destroy man with an everlasting destruction." He quoted II Thessalonians 1:8-10: "In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power;

10 When He shall come to be glorified in His saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day."

All this while Jesus was crying like a baby. He said, "I will destroy man with an everlasting destruction. Since I showed him My everlasting love and man rejected it, I will destroy him with an everlasting destruction for rejecting My everlasting love."

Romans 2:4-6"Or despisest thou the riches of His goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leaded thee to repentance? 5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God; 6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds."

#### Jesus Speaks Of The Present Situation Of The Church

By the side of that river in heaven, Jesus asked me this question:

"My son, do you know the situation of the church, the bride of the Lamb?" I answered, "No, My Lord." He said, "Come and I will show you." In a twinkling of an eye we were at a place near a mansion in heaven. He suddenly pointed His hand down to a particular place on earth. When He did so He removed His eyes from there immediately. What I saw down on earth was a very large auditorium filled to capacity where worship and praises were going on. When I saw this I exclaimed, "My Lord, the church is on fire, worshipping You in Spirit and truth and expecting Your imminent return!" He immediately exclaimed with tears in His eyes: "No, My son, look very well!"

I Samuel 16:6, 7 "And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on Eliab, and said, Surely the Lord's anointed is before Him. 7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart."

Then I looked at them diligently. He did not want to look at them together with me because of the situation of that congregation. When I looked intently at them I saw that the people praising and worshipping were doing so in chains. Their hands were chained. Their feet were also chained. I saw that the chains in their hands were connected to a yoke of iron around their necks. On the head of some of them I saw heavy loads of sins. Their necks bent to one side. They were looking so tired as people needing help. Some of them had dark faces. On some of their faces I saw various types of sins written: wickedness, pride, disobedience, and so on

Matthew 15:7-9 "Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,

8 This people draweth nigh unto Me with their mouth, and honoureth Me with their lips; but their heart is far from Me. 9 But in vain they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." Ezekiel 14:2-3 "And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

3 Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?"

Ezekiel 33:30-32 "Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking against thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the LORD.

31 And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee as My people, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: for with their mouth they shew much love, but their heart goeth after their covetousness. 32 And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not."

I also saw a dark image walking about in the congregation and saying, "These are my people. I keep them here in bondage. They are busy here, thinking they are serving God, but are not; and they cannot leave this place." He was saying this boastfully. The praises and worship in this congregation were different from that which I saw around the throne. They were bad, coming from people who were in chains of sins and Satan. They were not worshipping with pure and holy hearts. The dark personality was moving up and down among them, beating his hand in his chest in a boast.

Jesus said, "This is the situation of the church which I am supposed to present pure and holy to My Father. My own church has become a place of bondage. A lot of atrocities and wickedness are being done in the church. Ministers of the gospel are committing outright sins and are offering strange fire before My holy mountain, like the sons of Aaron who offered strange fire before Me. It is high time that judgment would begin in the house of the Lord.

He quoted Isaiah 42:13, 14: "The Lord shall go forth as a mighty man, He shall stir up jealousy like a man of war: He shall cry, yea, roar; He shall prevail against His enemies. 14 I have long time holden My peace; I have been still, and refrained Myself: now will I cry like a travailing woman; I will destroy and devour at once."

Jesus said, "If I destroyed the sons of Aaron for offering strange fire before My holy mountain, surely I will destroy them. But I am the God of mercy; go and warn them. Tell them that Truth, Righteousness, and Holiness are the only things that will qualify a person for entry into heaven. Go and warn those preachers. They must repent and turn away from wickedness; because I have long time holden my peace, but now will I cry. Many of them have denied the power of godliness; but that is the only way they can qualify to enter into My glorious kingdom. Go and warn man. I am sending you to the ends of the earth. I will stand by you. Go and tell him that I still love him. Tell him the way of

## *Righteousness, Truth and Holiness of life, is the way that enters into heaven."*

#### Jeremiah 23:9-32; Ezekiel 13:1-10, 22.

Jeremiah 23:14 "I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness: they are all of them unto Me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah."

#### **God's Programmed For This Age**

On that side of heaven Jesus said, "My Son, I have a programme for the world. When I begin My programme for this generation, all the programmes of nations, all the programmes of churches, all the programmes of man and any other programme in the world will cease to take effect. Come and see." In a moment of time we appeared in a mansion that looked like an office. In the mansion I saw angels dressed in white robes. I also saw holy saints. They all looked alike. They were dressed in white and with glorious bodies.

I saw files and they were busy writing in them. Jesus showed me a chart and said, "The only thing remaining in God's programme for this age as you can see in this chart is the imminent return of Jesus to rapture the saints. The saints in heaven are ready. Angels are ready. Everything in heaven is set for the coming home of the saints on earth in the rapture. I have finished the mansions, but very unfortunately, man is not yet ready. The church is not yet ready for heaven. I am only waiting for the Father's command to go and bring the saints home."

#### 2 Peter 3:9 "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us

ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

Revelation 22:7, 20 "Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book. 20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus." Jesus asked me to look around. And truly I saw that the angels and saints in heaven were busy preparing for the homecoming of the church, the bride of Christ. I heard a cry from among the heavenly saints, "When shall our brethren come and meet us?" Then Jesus said, *"Hear it; the saints are actually sighing for their brethren in the earth."* 

He continued, "My Spirit shall not continue to strive with the spirit of man. I cannot continue to behold the wickedness going on in the earth. Anytime My Father tells Me to come I will come, no matter how few the saints are. I will come and take them home and close My programme for this generation.

## Psalm 24:3-6" Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in His holy place?

4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. 5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. 6 This is the generation of them that seek Him, that seek Thy face, O Jacob. Selah." Matthew 5:8 "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God."

Jesus continued, "The mansions are ready, but it is unfortunate that the bride of the Lamb, the beloved of the Lord, is not yet ready, not yet prepared and made holy for the coming of the bridegroom." Ephesians 5:25-27 "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it; 26 That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

#### 27 That He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish."

Jesus said emphatically, "This church age, the time of the gentiles, this generation, is the last generation." In that mansion that looked like an office He directed my attention to the busy activities of the angels and the saints, as they were busy putting things in order in anticipation of the arrival of the saints from the earth. I saw them really in high preparation for the coming home of the saints. He showed me a scroll and said, "This generation will not pass away until all that is written in this scroll is fulfilled."

#### The Narrow Way To Heaven

He said, "My son, come." We swiftly appeared at the gate. As He stretched out His right hand, I saw the narrow way leading to heaven and He said, "This way can accommodate only you in Christ and Christ in you. If you carry any other thing this way cannot accommodate you. This is the way of Truth, Righteousness and Holiness. Many are taking the other way. That other way is the way of the multitudes. But this is the only way to heaven. It is a narrow way and only few find it."

#### Matthew 7:13, 14

13 "Enter ye in at the straight gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: 14 Because straight is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." At that gate, we stood for a long time before I saw a saint on earth coming along that way to heaven. It took another long time before I saw another saint coming along that way to heaven. When the saint from the earth entered into heaven I heard a shout of acclamation and joy; a soul had entered into heaven! There were usually shouts of joy when a soul entered into heaven. Speaking more of this narrow way, Jesus continued, "This narrow way is the way of Truth, Righteousness and Holiness."

#### He quoted **Isaiah 33:15-17:**

15 "He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil; 16 He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure.

17 Thine eyes shall see the King in His beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off."

#### Jesus said,"If any man desires to enter into heaven I am the only Way, the Truth and the Life. Go and tell man I still love

*him.* "John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me. "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven giving among men, whereby we must be saved."

#### <u>Multitudes On The Broad Way To Hell Fire</u>

Also at that gate He stretched out His left hand and I saw the broad way. I saw multitudes of people: little children, youths, men and women of all races: black, white etc. I had perfect understanding there. I saw the rich and the poor, the nobles and kings of the earth. The density of people walking along that way,

I can best compare to the multitudes of people I saw in Oshodi market, Lagos, Nigeria. They were pressing on one another, overtaking each other. I saw that their movement was not freely. There was a strong force pulling them towards the direction they were going. Then I asked the Lord Jesus, "Where are these people going to?" He answered, *"They are on their way to hell. These are people I created for My own glory, but now they are on their way to eternal destruction.* 

#### " Psalm 9:17 "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."

When I heard this I fell down and was crying. I pleaded, "Don't destroy them, Lord! Don't destroy them, Lord!!" He responded in tears, "But they hated Me. How can I allow some one who does not love Me to come into My kingdom? This people have I formed to show forth My praise, but they are now going into eternal damnation." Jesus was crying like a baby.

Ezekiel 33:11"Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?"

### <u>A Preacher Died On Earth And Was Coming Towards</u> <u>The Gate Of Heaven</u>

Right there at the gate with Jesus a preacher died that Saturday, 26th April, 2003, between 1:00-4:00 p.m. and was coming towards the gate. Afar off when I saw him he was dressed in white. This is the garment of Truth, Righteousness and Holiness, which Christ gives the believer. Psalm 132:16 "I will also clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints shall shout aloud for joy." Psalm 132:9 "Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints shout for joy."

Isaiah 61:10 "I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels."

Revelation 3:4 "Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with Me in white: for they are worthy."

# Ecclesiastes 9:8 "Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment."

From the place I was standing I could not see any spot in him. He was coming toward the gate of heaven with excitement. He wanted to walk in through the gate, but the angels shouted at him and commanded him to stop. He was asked, "Where are you going to?" "I want to enter into heaven," he replied. At this time Jesus fastened His eyes on him and said to him, "When I saved you from your sins, I gave you a garment of Righteousness and Holiness of life. I warned you against defiling this garment. Your garment is now spotted with the world. This was not the garment I gave you when I saved you."

Revelation 16:15 "Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame."What I saw on his garment was one spot around his chest. Jesus looked at him and said, *"The Father is*  Holy. I am holy, the Spirit is holy; the angels are holy. The saints in heaven are holy. All the living creatures in heaven are holy. Above all heaven has been dedicated unto holy living. Nothing that is defiled, or that worketh abomination or that maketh or loveth a lie shall in any wise enter into it. Therefore, man, you cannot enter into heaven."

Jesus quoted James 1:27 "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world." This man's garment was spotted with the world. He could not enter into heaven. The man was a preacher of holiness, but was not able to enter into heaven because his garment of holiness and righteousness was spotted with the world.

1 John 2:14-17 "I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known Him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.

15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

17 The world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever."

The man was trying to plead with Jesus Christ. Jesus was looking at him sorrowfully. While he was trying to plead for his soul, a mighty wind came on him and carried him to hell fire. I could see the man moving in the air as light as a piece of paper. When he fell into hell, it was as if a big stone was thrown into a body of water. I saw the flames of hell rose up as he sank into it. That was the end of that man, the preacher who had been preaching for years here in the world.

Matthew 7:21-23"Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? 23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity."

1 Corinthians 9:27 "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway."

#### **Unchangeable Standard For Heaven**

Then Jesus said, "My standard of Truth, Righteousness and Holiness has not changed for any race, any people, any generation. The holiness I give a believer is the holiness that sets his mind on things above and not on things on the earth. It is the holiness that gives him the privilege to serve Me acceptably and to live above the influence of the world."

Matthew 24:35"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away." Colossians 3:1-6 1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are death, and your life is hid with Christ in God.4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory.

5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:
6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience."

## <u>Another Believer Died And Was Coming Toward The</u> <u>Gate Of Heaven</u>

After the preacher had gone to hell, while we were still standing there, another believer died and was coming towards the gate. In a distance I could see spots all over his white garment. When he came, Jesus looked at him and said, "When I saved you from your sins I gave you a robe of Righteousness and Holiness of life. But now your garment has been spotted with modern Christianity. You carried counterfeit experiences and were going about with them, which did not help you. You threw away the garment I gave you. This was not the garment I gave you."

That believer stood before the Lord in deep sorrow and was weeping. Jesus told him,

"The holiness I give a believer is the holiness that purifies his heart and enables him to serve God in true righteousness and holiness all the days of his life. Therefore nothing that defileth, or is abominable or that loveth or maketh a lie can enter into heaven. The Father is holy. I, the Son, am holy. The Spirit is holy. The angels, saints and all living creatures of heaven are holy. Above all heaven has been dedicated to holy living. Heaven is too holy to accommodate you. You cannot enter into it."

Again a mighty wind came on him and blew him into hell fire. He landed in hell. That was his end. Jesus told me He had determined not to compromise entry qualification into heaven, which is Righteousness, Truth and Holiness, though men are changing.

Revelation 21:27 "And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."

Ezekiel 36:25-28 " Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put My spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judgments and do them."

Psalm 51:6, 7, 10 "Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden parts thou shalt make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."

#### <u>The First Time I Went With Jesus To Hell</u>

Then Jesus said we should go to hell. In a twinkling of an eye we arrived in hell with the two accompanying angels. I cannot vividly describe hell and the sufferings of its occupants. The words to use to describe the nature of hell and the degree of the torments and sufferings of its victims are not available to man on earth. Besides my knowledge of the available vocabulary is so little that the effort I shall make to describe hell is as the effort one makes to ascertain the quantity of sand in the seashore by counting the grains. I have the same problem in describing the beauty of heaven. The horror of hell is great. What I saw in hell scared me. I lost my strength and fell down. I became more afraid of God. I heard the agonizing cries of the damned. I heard some, pleading in their torments, "Have mercy on us, Lord. Have mercy on us, Lord. Have mercy on us, Lord." This was their continual prayer.

# Hebrews 10:31 "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God."

Life in hell is of great pity and horror. I saw people crying and gnashing their teeth.

#### Matthew 25:30 "And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Their faces looked older than their age because of their great torments and sufferings. I could see as if people were swimming inside the flames of hell. When hell roared and quaked, it took those in its surface down to its bottom vice versa. There are torments and sufferings in hell. I saw the burning flames of fire with people in it. I saw children, men, women; educated, uneducated, rich, poor, etc. They were crying and repenting. I heard cry coming from those who were in the depth of hell. I heard the cry of children, of the young and the old.

I saw the way those in torments breathe. Their breathing was that of gasping for air as one in his dying moment. Some of them, due to their great cries, their tongues were lying outside like dogs. Some their eyeballs were as if they were falling from their sockets. Those in torments breathe in as if drawing their last breath. But this remains their state forever. Since there is no air in hell, what they breathe in and out is the burning flame of fire. The remembrance of the past privileges they had to accept the Saviour Jesus Christ which they ignored or rejected on earth, adds to their torment and sorrow. I saw them in great agony, gnashing their teeth. I saw that people were pressing themselves in hell. Hell through its quaking and roaring changes the positions of the occupants. Life in hell is of agony. The occupants are restless. Hell is in complete darkness.

#### Mark 9:43-48

43 "And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: 44 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

45 And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: 46 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

47 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire:

48 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched."

### **Torments By The Fallen Angels In Hell**

I saw fallen angels with whips, beating and tormenting the victims of hell. These fallen angels looked cruel. One could read wickedness from their faces. Apart from their tormenting words and works I also saw big worms in hell which bore their ways through the bodies of the victims. The burning flames never affected these worms. All these while as we were there Jesus was crying. He said, *"I formed these people for My glory, but they are now languishing in the eternal torments of hell."* 

# A Woman Died On Earth And Landed In Hell

When we were there a woman died on earth and landed in hell. One of the fallen angels carried a big dagger, lifted it up and thrust it into her back. The woman screamed in great pain and started confessing her sins: "I was a gossiper, a liar, a talebearer, etc." He yelled at her, "Shut up! When you were in the world you had the privilege of accepting that Righteous man into your life (pointing to our direction) but you rejected it. If I had that same privilege I would have changed my own destiny. But my own destiny is sealed and I am doomed for eternity. That is why I am here." I asked Jesus Christ one question, "You love man with an everlasting love; but why did you create hell like this?" Jesus answered, *"Hell fire was created only for the devil and his angels. But man put himself in the condition of the devil, so he must suffer the same condemnation."* 

John 8:44 "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it." Matthew 25:41 "Then shall He say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from Me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels."

The prayer people are praying in hell, believers on earth may not be able to pray with such fervency. Jesus said, "I passed through bitter experiences on earth because of the love I have for man. But with all the love I showed man, he rejected Me; that is why he finds himself in hell like this." What I saw with my two eyes in hell broke my heart and I wept. I cannot describe hell as a mortal man. If anyone gets there, he will tell it better. Jesus took me back to heaven.

## Jesus Commissioned Me

In heaven He said, "I am commissioning you to go back into the world to tell them of My everlasting love for man. Tell man I love him with an everlasting love. Tell him to repent and turn to Me. Preach Christ the crucified. Preach Truth, Righteousness and Holiness; because that is the only way that can bring man to heaven. Preach holiness as if no one has ever preached it in the world."

Mark 16:15, 16"And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

Matthew 28:18-20 "And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

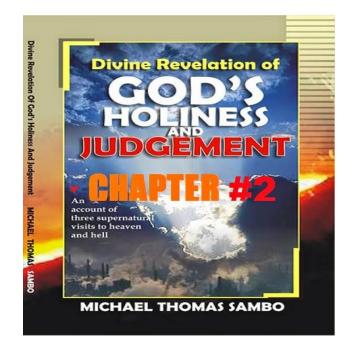
I did not want to return to the world, but He brought me to the gate and said, "*My son, I will show you why you will come back to the world.*" He touched my right ear and I heard my Region Pastor, youth coordinator and other leaders praying and pleading for my restoration to life. He left me and the two angels at the beautiful gate and said, "*My son, I will see you again.*"He waved at me and said"*Bye*".

The two angels brought me back and showed me the way to the world. When they were returning, I held them at their garments because I did not want to return to the world. I had seen the King in the beauty of His holiness and had also seen the deceitfulness and emptiness of this present world. Brethren, this world is a place of emptiness.

# Ecclesiastes 1:2 "Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all is vanity."

1 Timothy 6:6-19 "But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drawn men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But thou, O man of God, flee these things and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, where unto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses. Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life."

When I came back my two eyes were open but I was not seeing anything in the world, not even the people around me then. This first heavenly experience started from about 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.



## My Second Transit to Heaven.

Not up to one hour after I revived on earth the two angels came to me again and said, "Brother Michael, the Lord is calling you, come up higher." Then I shouted in excitement, "You have come for me again!" I fell to the ground. I could not tell whatever was the condition of my physical body lying on the floor then. The next thing I saw was that I had put on a body like theirs and we left for heaven. Soon we arrived at the beautiful gate.

### My Second Transit to Heaven.

I met Jesus Christ standing at the gate. When He saw me He smiled at me and held my right hand and said, "My son, you are welcome. I have not finished showing you what I want to show you. "Then we all went into heaven. We went near a particular mansion. As we stood by the side of the mansion He looked at me and said, "Men say, the people of the world say, `How can fish swim in the river and not drink water from it?' This is the thought of men, their imagination. My blood can save any one who comes to Me from sin and sustain him in Righteousness and Holiness. My blood can set him Page | 47 free from the power of sin. Go and tell them, My standard has not changed. My standard on Holiness has not changed. I am the Lord, I change not. I remain the same yesterday, today and for ever."

Revelation 1:5 "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the Prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood."

Hebrew 9:14 "How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Hebrews 12:14 "Follow peace with all men, and HOLINESS, without which no man shall see the Lord."

#### The Church Now A Place Of Fleshly Pleasure

Jesus continued "The church has become a place of pleasure where all sorts of wickedness are being practiced. Ladies seduce men through their immoral dressing. I cannot behold this wickedness going on in the church. Ministers of the gospel are not left out. The church has become a place of seduction. People go from church to hell."

Ezekiel 8:4-18 "He said further unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? even the great abominations that the

house of Israel commiteth here, that I should go far off from My sanctuary? But turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations. 12 Then said He unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, The LORD seest us not; the LORD hast forsaken the earth. 18 Therefore will I also deal in fury: Mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in Mine ear with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them."

Jesus continued, "Many believers live as if they are going to spend the rest of their lives on earth. They are careless about the perishing souls of men. Preaching the word is not only My heartbeat but also My heart-pain. But many things have occupied the mind of the Christian pilgrim. He has forgotten that he is a stranger in this world passing through to another world."

Ezekiel 34:1-6 "And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 2 Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! Should not the shepherds feed the

flock? 3 Ye eat the fats and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock.

4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them. 5 And they were scattered, because there is no shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered. 6 My sheep wondered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, My flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek after them."

## **Crowns For The Faithful**

I was taken to a particular mansion where I saw many crowns. This mansion was very big and full of crowns. Some crowns were very big, some were small and some of medium sizes. Jesus said,

"These crowns are for the faithful and overcomers who overcome self, the world and the devil. Blessed are the overcomers for they shall sit at My Father's right hand."

Revelation 2:10 "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

2 Timothy 4:7, 8 7 "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing."

### I Saw My Late Friend In Heaven

Jesus again said, "I will show you that one can serve Me in Righteousness and Holiness all the days of his life amidst this corrupt and perverse generation on earth. I will show you your friend who died in the world." This friend of mine died in Jalingo, Taraba State, Nigeria, on 7th November, 2001. He was a close friend indeed. We were mates in secondary school. We went to the same Polytechnic, although he was a year ahead of me. There in the Polytechnic we studied together, ate together, sang in the choir together and even slept on the same bed. We did all things in common. Jesus then took me to a mansion, very beautiful.

As if my friend had got the knowledge of our coming, he came out of the mansion looking very glorious. He was wearing a big crown on his head and was full of smiles. When he saw me he said in excitement "O Brother Michael, you are welcome!" We shook hands together with him. Jesus pointed at him and said, "Look at him; you worked in My vineyard together; you did all things in common. If he made it, you too can make it. This is to show you that a young man like you can serve Me acceptably in this corrupt generation, in holiness and

righteousness all the days of his life. If he could make it, you too can make it.

Luke 1:73-75 "The oath which He swear to our father Abraham,

## 74 That he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve Him without fear,

# 75 In holiness and righteousness before Him, all the days of our life."

I am sure that mansion belongs to my friend. I saw uncountable mansions prepared for the saints, but the saints on earth are not yet prepared. When my friend said "**O Brother Michael**, **you are welcome!**" Jesus told him, I was going back to the world. I cried out, "**O My Saviour!**" I was not willing to return to the world. To know that heaven was mine the joy was beyond comparison. "How sure am I," I said, "that I will be able to make it back again to heaven if I return to the earth?" But Jesus said firmly *"You are going back to the world."* 

Then my friend bid me farewell and said, "Bye, till we meet again." I wept, because I did not want to part with him. Jesus took me away from that place. John 14:1-3 "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

### Messages To Some Individuals On Earth

My second transit to heaven is more of personal messages to people. I was shown some crowns with some people's names on them. I know some of them personally who are still alive on earth. Jesus asked me, "**Do you know sister ...**"

He was asking me of a particular sister I know. I answered, "Yes, Lord." He said,

#### "That sister is My servant."

All at once that sister appeared before us in heaven, dressed in white, looking gloriously beautiful, of no earthly comparison. She was wearing a glorious crown on her head, with a smile on her face.

Again he asked, "Do you know the wife of pastor ...?"

He was talking of the wife of one of our pastors. I answered, "Yes, My Lord." He said, "She is My servant." All at once this sister appeared in heaven in complete white, shining brightly and gloriously beautiful, with a crown on her head and a joyful smile. Heaven is a place of perfect beauty. Everything is extremely beautiful. If a heavenly saint appears on earth, his beauty will be beyond the imagination of the minds of men. Cosmetic beauty of the earth in comparison is as clothing someone with rags. Philippians 3:20-21 "For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself."

Jesus also asked me if I knew some pastors and ministers in our ministry. He mentioned their names and I answered," Yes, My Lord." He said "*Those are my servants.*" He gave me messages to some of my relations, which I delivered.

Jesus said, "*I will stand by you*" In my transit to heaven I went to a lot of places. Some of the things I saw I was restricted from speaking about them. There were some things I asked questions about, but the angel silenced me. I was told not to talk about some of the things I saw, but to testify to men the things that were given to me.

Deuteronomy 29:29 "The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law." 1 Corinthians 2:12, 13 "Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. 13 Which things also we speak, not in the wordswhich man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual."

Thanks to God who has been helping me to testify of the things He gave me. Jesus assured me in heaven that He would stand by me. He said, "So sent I you to the ends of the earth to tell man My love and warn him of hell fire." He quoted Hebrews 1:9 "Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows."

Jesus said, "This verse refers to Me, but if any minister submits himself to this Scripture, I will stand by him." He said, "As I love righteousness and hate iniquity, so send I you. Hate iniquity till your last blood drops. Never

### encourage iniquity. Make this your personal commitment and I will be with you."

Psalm 97:10, 11 "Ye that love the Lord, hate evil: He preserveth the souls of His saints; He delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked. 11 Light is sown for the righteous and gladness for the upright in heart." Hebrews 12:4 "Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striven against sin." 2 Chronicles 16:9 "For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him."

## The Second Visit To Hell

# Again Jesus said, "I am taking you back to hell to see the agony of hell."

We arrived at the gate and I saw people walking on the broad way to hell. Multitudes were trooping to hell. In hell I heard the groaning of the damned. This was the second time I went to hell. I heard people crying and confessing the sins they refused to confess on earth. Many pastors are in hell. Many ministers of the gospel are in hell. Atheists and various categories of people are in hell. No tongue can tell the horror and sufferings of hell.

# Psalm 9:17 "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."

Isaiah 5:14-16"Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it. 15 And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled: 16 But the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness."

Jesus said, "I created them and loved them with everlasting love. but they hated Me; that is why I am destroying them with My everlasting destruction. Go and tell man, if any desires to come to heaven, I Jesus, will give him every grace he needs to come to heaven. But if any desires to go to hell, Satan will immediately give him all the support he needs to be there."

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 "See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;

16 In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments and His statutes, and His judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to posses it. 17 But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shall be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; 18 I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to posses it;

19 I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life that both thou and thy seed may live: 20 That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey His voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto Him: for He is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

### I saw A Member Of Our Local Church In Hell

I saw a brother in hell. He was a member of our church. This brother was very committed and zealous, but alas, he died with hidden and unconfessed sin and found himself in hell. When I saw him I did not believe he was the one. I tapped Jesus and asked, "My Lord, is this the brother from so and so church?" He answered, "Yes."

The brother began to speak, "I committed fornication and covered it and death came and carried me away." If a brother of such zeal and commitment could still go to hell, we must fear God and walk with care everyday." **Proverbs 28:13** "**He that covereth his sins shall not prosper; but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.**" James 5:16 "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

#### **Suffering Assured Me For Preaching Holiness**

Jesus, the two angels and I stood together. He pointed his hand to hell and said, "Man cannot understand the nature of the torments of hell, however, go and tell him. Tell him if all the sufferings of the earth were gathered together to be borne by one man, it would still not compare to what that man will suffer for 24 hours in hell. Yet man may not understand; go and still tell him." Jesus continued "You will pass through a lot of suffering because of this message of Holiness and Righteousness. Because of the pollution that is in the world, many will deny the power of godliness and righteous living. Yet, go. I have sent you. I will stand by you."

John 15:18-21 "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated Me before it hated you.

19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. 20 Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept My saying, they will keep yours also. 21 But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not Him that sent Me."

### **Careless Lives Of Believers**

After this Jesus lamentably said, "Believers are living in this life as if they are of the world. But they are not of the world. They are supposed to live separate from the world. He continued, "I bless My people, but they abuse My blessings."

Jesus quoted Jeremiah 22:21 "I spake unto thee in thy prosperity; but thou sayest, I will not hear. This hath been thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voice."

Jesus said, "The people have no concern for the poor and needy. Very unfortunately the pilgrim has forgotten that he is a stranger in this world. The church is doing nothing about the never dying souls of men in the world. The church must awake from sleep and slumber and save dying men from going to hell."

He quoted 2 Peter 3:8-14:"But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is long suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up;

11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? 13 Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. 14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless."

Jesus emphatically said, "Without holiness. Hebrews 12:14 "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." He said, "Go and tell man, My standard has not changed. The standard of the word of

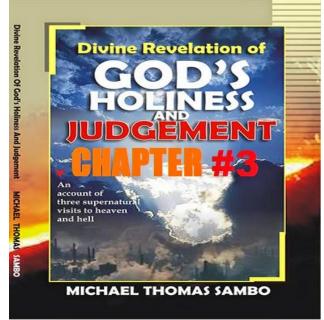
# God has not changed. I have not changed My standard for any generation, for any age, for any people."

**Psalm 119:89 "For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.** "Jesus said, *"You are going back to the world."* He brought me to the gate and said, *"I will see you again."* Then the two angels brought me on the way. As we were going I saw a place like a globe afar off. It was looking darkly, but I could see lights here and there: some shining brightly, some dimly and some almost quenching. I asked the angel, "What place am I seeing afar off?" He answered, "That is the dirty world people are crazy for and wasting their lives about. The lights you see here and there in it is the light of Christ upon the believers that are in it." I saw the vanity of the world and its deception on man.

## Ecclesiastes 12:8 "Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity." Matthew 16:26 "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his own soul?"

This is the account of my second visit to heaven and to hell. I cannot say all the things I saw and heard. We went to many places in heaven. This second transit lasted for about 9 hours. At this time my body was lying lifeless in the Retreat camp. **This happened in the youth camp of the Deeper Life Easter Retreat, 2003.** When I revived on Sunday morning I saw myself

surrounded by church leaders and pastors. They had removed me from the youth camp to an isolated place in the adult camp



### My Third Transit to Heaven

What I am going to present now is my **third transit to heaven**. This divine revelation of Heaven and hell will empower you to understand the mysteries things of heaven and hell. <u>Two</u> <u>Angels Appeared to Take Me to Heaven</u>. The Retreat ended on Sunday, 27th April 2003. I went to the house of my youth coordinator, which is near Takum Army Barracks. On Monday morning he told me to prepare to teach the youth Bible study in Army Barrack's district. I told him I would not be able. This was because I was so weak in the body. I needed time to recover my strength.

#### My Third Transit to Heaven

He gave the assignment to my immediate elder brother. In the evening of that day I attended the youth Bible study. When we returned to the house I felt the presence of the Holy Spirit in the room. I told my elder brother what I was sensing. I told him I envisaged my going to heaven again and that if I died this time I might not come back. Then I said, "If I die give these shirts to my cousins." This was around 6.00 p.m., Monday, a day after the Retreat. While I was still speaking to my elder brother, the two angels appeared in the room. When I saw them I shouted in excitement, "You have come for me again, you are welcome. Thank you Jesus!" The angels said, "The Lord is calling you to come up higher." Then as usual I journeyed with them to heaven.

## <u>A Believer Died Of Immorality And Was Coming</u> <u>Towards The Gate Of Heaven</u>

When we arrived at the gate I met Jesus Christ. He said, "Brother Michael, you are again welcome." He smiled. The angels at the beautiful pearly gate welcomed me. We all stood quietly at that gate. I saw that the smiling face of Jesus suddenly changed into a sad and sorrowful one. I wondered what could have been responsible for that. I understood the reason by the event that immediately followed. When we were there at the gate, a believer died on earth and was coming. He died that Monday around 6:00 pm, not long after I was taken up. As he was coming towards the gate he was crying and pleading, "Will there not be mercy and forgiveness for me again?" What really happened? Jesus narrated to me the incidence of this man. He was a fervent believer whose name was in the book of life.

That Monday morning he bid farewell to his family and left for a journey. But unfortunately Satan prepared a seductive lady against him. This lady seduced him in the public vehicle he boarded. When they arrived at their destination he took the lady to a hotel and slept with her. Within that period the devil succeeded in killing him. At the gate, he cried and pleaded with Jesus for mercy and forgiveness.

Jesus said, "When that lady seduced you to sell your birthright, I gave you sufficient grace to overcome that temptation. My Spirit kept on warning you, `Son, don't commit that evil.' But you were drawn out of your lust and you yielded to the temptation and committed that sin. This city is too holy to permit you to enter into it. It is too holy to accommodate you. You have thrown away your entry permit into heaven."

Ezekiel 18:24-26"But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die. 25 Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not My way equal? are not your ways unequal, 26 When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die."

#### 1 Corinthians 10:13

"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." Hebrews 2:18"For in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succour them that are tempted."

The book of record opened on its own accord. This man's record showed that adultery was the only sin that removed his name from the book of life. His name was in the book of life in the morning of that day, but by the evening of the same day it had been removed.

**Exodus 32:33 "And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against Me, him will I blot out of My book."** What a great loss to Jesus Christ who saved him through the shedding of His blood! What a great loss to the church this man worshipped with! What a great loss to the family of this man! What a great loss to the soul of this man!! Jesus said, "Here there is no mercy. Mercy is only obtainable on earth." Hebrews 9:27 "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, after this the judgment."

The worst thing has happened to this man. His soul is lost forever.

## <u>The Third Visit To Hell</u>

From that gate Jesus took me to hell so that I could hear what make some people end up their life and Christianity in hell fire.

### <u>A Member of A Pentecostal Church In Hell Vowed Not</u> <u>To Forgive Her Pastor</u>

When we arrived to hell, a young lady saw me afar off and shouted, "Oh, have you come to help me out of this place?" I could not respond to her question. Then she began to tell me the story of her life. She said, "I was a member of a Pentecostal Church. My pastor told me that wearing trousers, as a lady, was not a sin against God. He also said perming or jerry curling my hair, bleaching my skin, using lipsticks, plaiting my hair with attachments, were never sins against God. But the very day I arrived here I discovered that my pastor had deceived me. Can I ever forgive this man? Now it is too late for me. Can I ever leave this place?" While she talked, hell roared and she was swallowed up by its waves and tides. I did not see her again. She said these things she indulged herself in prevented her from truly serving God and have condemned her to hell; Genesis 35:1-5; Jeremiah 4:30; Proverbs 7:10; Romans 1:21-26; 1Peter 3:3-5.

Deuteronomy 22:5 "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a

woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God."

Isaiah 3:16-24 "Moreover the LORD saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretch forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as the go, and making a tinkling with their feet: 17 Therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will discover their secret parts.

18 In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet, and their cauls, and their round tires like the moon,

19 The chains, and the bracelets, and the mufflers,

20 The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the head bands, and the tablets, and the earrings,

21 The rings, and nose jewels,

22 The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins,

23 The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the vails.

24 And it shall come to pass, that instead of sweet smell there shall be stink; and instead of a girdle a rent, and instead of well set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding of sackcloth; and burning instead of beauty."

1 Timothy 2:9, 10 "In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; 10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works."

## I Saw A Lady I Knew On Earth In Hell

At that instance another lady came up. I knew this lady here on earth before she died. When she saw me she recognized me perfectly. She called out at me, "Brother Michael, can you help me?" I hardly recognized her because of the sufferings of hell. Her face looked older than her age. I said, "Sister, you finally ended up in hell?

So this is where you have ended up your Christianity?" She said, "You warned me when I backslid, but I did not listen to you and now I am here." This lady died in 2001. She was a true believer but later backslid and went into the world. I warned her and told her to return to the Lord but she did not hear me. She did not return to the Lord till she died. When she finished her words hell roared and she was covered up by its waves and tides.

#### Ezekiel 3:17-21

17 Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

20 Again, when a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not giving him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

21 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul."

### **The Sufferings And Horrors Of Hell**

No one can tell the sufferings and horrors of hell. There are a lot of things people pass through in hell. They are greatly tormented by the fervent heat and burning flames of hell fire. Apart from the anger of the fires of hell, there are the fallen angels who are cruel and wicked and the never dying worms of hell. These constantly add to the torments of those burning in the fires of hell. They are also tormented by their memories. If these people have the privilege to come back to the world they will tell better the torments and horrors of hell. Up till now I am still having the mental picture of the sufferings and horrors of hell that I saw.

### A Man In Hell For Thousands Of Years Lamented

Immediately this lady got swallowed up by the flames of hell, an old man emerged from the tormenting flames. When he saw me standing with Jesus he said, "H m m m, my son, you are a privileged man. I have been in this torment for thousands of years and now I know that I cannot leave this place. I am doomed for eternity." This was what the old man told me. By virtue of the thousands of years he had spent in hell he had come to know that God's condemnation is forever. God did not change His word, notwithstanding his continual pleading.

## <u>A Woman In The Torments Of Hell Thought She Was</u> <u>Dreaming</u>

Again I saw another woman in hell crying bitterly. She had lived a sinful life on earth and never cared to give her life to Jesus Christ. She had just died and was cast into hell. When she was passing through the torments of hell fire she thought she was dreaming. She was asking while in torments, "Am I now in hell? Am I dreaming?" A fallen angel told her she should not worry;

very soon she would wake up from her dream. This woman immediately realised that she had been cast into hell to suffer its everlasting torments. She confessed that she had lived in all sorts of sins and never cared to give her life to Jesus Christ. She said that she had been a backbiter and lived in gossip and hatred and that now she had been condemned to hell.

Romans 1:29-32 "Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, malicious-ness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, whithout natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: 32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them."

### An Elder Of A Church Confessed His Sins In Hell

I also saw a religious man in the torments of hell. According to him he was an elder in a church when he was in the world. He said, "I was not born again and did not want to be born again. I hated those that were born again and did not want to have anything to do with them. My children were born again, but I persecuted and frustrated them until they all backslid." He realized that religion without Christ leads to hell fire. He said, "I don't want my children to come and join me in the torments of everlasting fire." He was only a Christian by religion and did not possess genuine salvation from sin through faith in Christ. Being a Christian by religion only did not save his soul from hell fire.

John 3:3"Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

#### **Romans 10:1-3**

1 "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.

2 For I bear them record that the have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.

3 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God." Matthew 18:6 "But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in Me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

# An Atheist In Hell Confessed His Folly

I saw an atheist in the torments of hell. In his lifetime he did not believe that God exist. He said, "The things I spoke and wrote against God's existence were all wrong. The first day I arrived to hell I realized that God is real and does exist. But it is too late for me to believe in God now. I have fallen into the hands of this God and I know I cannot escape it." **Psalm 53:1** "**The fool hath saith in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt**  are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good."

#### A Young Man In Hell Confessed His Immoral Sins

I heard a young man speaking in hell from a distance. He was confessing, "I committed fornication with many girls and caused them to commit abortion." I saw a lady close to him. It looked like they were accusing each other for going to hell.

Proverbs 5:3-8 "For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honey comb, and her mouth is smoother than oil: 4 But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a two edged sword. 5 Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell. 6 Lest thou shouldest ponder the part of life, her ways are moveable, that thou canst not know them. 7 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the words of my mouth. 8 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house."

#### <u>A Church Worker In Hell Confessed The Sin He</u> <u>Covered On Earth</u>

I also saw one who had been a believer in Christ in the torments of hell. He told me he was a Christian worker in the church he belonged to on earth. He said he was like Eli who covered the sins of his children and refused to confess or expose them. He quoted Proverbs chapter twenty-eight verse thirteen.

Proverbs 28:13 "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." 1 Samuel 2:12-17 "Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial: they knew not the LORD. 17 Wherefore the sin of the young men was very great before the LORD: for men abhorred the offering of the Lord." 1 Samuel 3:12, 13 "In that day I will perform against Eli all things which I have spoken concerning his house: when I begin, I will also make an end. 13 For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not."

#### I Saw A Relation of Mine In Hell

I also saw one of my relations in hell. He was a religious man. When he was on earth he worked for the Lord, but without a definite experience of salvation from sin through faith on the Lord Jesus Christ. I saw him passing through the torments of

hell. When he saw me, he screamed "Oh! Oh!!" He said nothing again. He was weeping profusely.

### <u>The Plea Of A Little Child In The Torments Of Hell</u> <u>Broke My Heart</u>

The most heartbreaking scene I saw in hell was the torment a little child of less than ten was going through in the flames of hell. This child cried out to the Saviour, "Have mercy on me. Have mercy on me. Have mercy on me." His suffering and plea broke my heart. I burst out crying. I saw that Jesus also was crying. I lost all the strength I had there in hell. I pleaded with Jesus to deliver that boy from hell. Jesus replied, "I am God. My standard has not changed. My standard on holiness has not changed. Take Me by My word, My son. I cannot compromise My standard because of this little child."

#### 1 Peter 1:17 "And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear."

Notwithstanding I pleaded the second time with Jesus to remove that child. I felt that He would hear me because of His passionate love for me. Jesus affirmed, "*I cannot compromise* 

## My standard because of this little child. My standard has not changed for any generation, any race, any people."

I was lying down crying because of the sufferings and petition of that child. I persevered in petitioning the Lord for the removal of that little child. I requested for the third time that the Lord might remove the boy from hell fire. This time Jesus frowned at me. His eyes became red like fire. He said, "That is why I am God. I cannot change. I am still the God of yesterday, today, and forever. I have not changed. I cannot compromise the standard of My word because of any of My creatures. I have cried enough. I have pleaded enough with man. I have shown man enough love. If man refuses to retain Me in his knowledge I will destroy him." He quoted Psalm 9:17, "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."

### The Weeping Saviour

In heaven everyone is happy and joyful. But Jesus, the Lord, cries daily because of the sins and wickedness in the world and in the Church. Jesus said, "If the whole world today decides not to recognize Me as Saviour and Lord and to serve Me I will turn the whole world into hell; nothing will touch Me any longer. I have cried enough. Here in hell there is no mercy. Even you, My son, if you turn away from Me and walk no more in Righteousness, Truth and Holiness, I will condemn you to hell. Romans 2:11 "For there is no respect of persons with God." Then Jesus touched me and said, "Come over; let us go back to heaven, My son."We left hell and went back to heaven.

## Satan's Reaction to Our Visits to Hell

Satan had seen me with Jesus all these three times we went to hell. When we went back to heaven Jesus said,"*Listen to what* 

*the devil is doing right now in hell.*" He opened my eyes and I saw the reaction in hell following our departure.

## Satan's Plan To Destroy Me And This Message

Satan shouted and made different kinds of noise. The Lord made me to see how in response to Satan's call his demonic authorities on earth flew to hell for an emergency meeting. They all gathered before Satan in hell. Satan addressed them saying, "That Righteous man has brought this young man all this while to hell so that he should see the horror, agony and sufferings of hell which men on earth are ignorant of. We must not take this for a joke. That Righteous man wants to send him to the world to tell them the indispensability of holiness for entrance into

heaven, which many are ignorant of. There will then soon be a revival of holiness on the earth. I am realizing that there shall soon be a revival of Holiness Movement in the world. People shall soon realize that it is only holiness that can take them to heaven. We must pursue this young man and overtake him. We must take the message out of his mouth and, if possible, we shall destroy his life."

Revelation 12:3-6 "And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. 4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born. 5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to His throne. 6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she had a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and three score days."

# <u>Satan Revealed His Schemes For Damning Human</u> <u>Souls</u>

<u>Computer, Internet and Television</u> :"I am still in the business of inventing things that can take away the attention of the believers from heaven. I am the brain behind computer, Internet and television. Today on the Internet and the computer pornography is promoted. You can find the pictures of naked men and women. When holiness people watch these they get into their heart and pollute it and their holiness is destroyed; they become unfit for heaven. I also introduce some programs on the television just to destroy holiness in the lives of people and make them unfit for heaven."

1 Peter 5:8 "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour."Songs of Solomon 2:15 "Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes." Psalm 119:37, 38 "Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken thou me in thy way,38 Stablish thy word unto thy servant, that is devoted unto thy fear."

#### Flashy Cars and Material Things

Satan continued, "I invent many flashy cars and many flashy material things of this life, because I am the prince of this life. I do these to attract the believer's mind to the mundane things of this sinful life. I will make this life very pleasurable and attractive such that no believer can resist my force. Only the holy and heavenly-minded believer can resist my great force."

# 1 John 2:15-17"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the

Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. 17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever." Mark 4:18, 19 "And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word, 19 And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful."

## **Seductive Ladies In Holiness Churches**

He then called a princess. When this princess appeared she looked like a harlot in the world. He told her, "Go and organise young, beautiful ladies into churches of holiness people to

seduce the ministers of God. Let them cause believers to hate their wives and lust after their beauty. They should make them fall by immorality. I have poured down the spirit of immorality into the world. Go with such force that no man can resist you. Be wise, behave like a Christian."

#### Proverbs 5:3-9

3 "For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honeycomb, and her mouth is smoother than oil:

4 But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.

5 her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell. 6 Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, that thou canst not know them.

7 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the words of my mouth.

8 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:

9 Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto the cruel."

#### Proverbs 6:23-28,32

23 "For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life,24 To keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.

25 Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.

26 "for by means of a whorish woman a man is brought to a piece of bread: and the adultress will hunt for the precious life.

27 Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burnt?

28 Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burnt?"

### 32 But whoso committed adultery with a woman lacked understanding: he that doeth it destroyeth his own soul."

#### Quenching The Fire of God In Churches

He also called another prince and commissioned him saying, "You go and make sure that you quench the fire of God in every church so that we can come in and have our field day."

#### <u>Disobedience, Stubbornness and Rebellion in Ministers'</u> <u>Children</u>

He called another prince and said,

"Go and cause the children of the ministers of God and the children of serious minded believers to live lives contrary to the ministry of their parents. Make them stubborn to their parents. Let them hurt the hearts and minds of their parents. The parents may be provoked in reaction to say or do some unholy things which may cause the hedge of God over them to be broken. Then we will come in and destroy the ministry of their parents."

Ephesians 6:1-4 "Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. 2 Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; 3 That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth. 4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

1 Timothy 3:1-5 This is a true saying, if a man desireth the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. 2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach 3 Not giving to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; ,but

patient, not a brawler, not covetous; 4 One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; 5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)"

Genesis 18:19 "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him." 2 John 4 "I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in truth, as we have received a commandment from the Father."

## Hatred, Quarrel and Absence of Love in the Family

He also called a prince and said, "Go and cause husbands and wives to hate each other. Make them quarrel and fight on daily basis. Make the family a battleground. Take away love from the family."

Ephesians 5:22-33 "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and He is the saviour of the body. 24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing, 25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it; 28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. 33 Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband." Galatians 5:15 "But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another."

Carelessness, Laziness And Lukewarmness Towards Prayer

Satan commanded "Let prayer be taken away from the family and from the Church. Make the people careless, lazy and lukewarm towards prayer. Let the church be prayerless and cold. Let family prayer altar be pulled down. When there is no prayer there cannot be holiness of life in a Christian. Go with such force that no one can resist." Luke 18:1"And He spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint." 1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing."

### Fornication Among The Youths

Satan beat his hand on his chest and said, "All youths must come under the sin of fornication. All youths must be brought under the bondage of immorality." Proverbs 7:1-27 "For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,

7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding, 8 Passing through the street nigh her corner; and he went the way to her house,

10 And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

21 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, and with the flattering of her lips she forced him. 26 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong men have been slain by her.

27 Her house is the way to hell. Going down to the chambers of death."

### <u>Silencing Gospel Preachers Through Personal Sins and</u> <u>Backsliding</u>

Satan also said, "I have succeeded in silencing and closing up the mouths of many preachers. When they come before the

people, they say, `We are all sinners. No one can live a righteous life.' I keep them busy in the church. They are kept in bondage in the church. They are ignorant of the saving power of that Righteous man. The preachers deny the power of godliness."

#### 2 Timothy 3:5-8

#### 5 "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive, silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,

7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith."

#### Ungodly Music Used by Some Churches of Christ

Satan continued, "I also inspire some music which looks attractive to the church. Some Christians are ignorantly going about with this music. When they go on in such music I come in and operate freely, cause a lot of havoc in the church and go scot-free."

Ephesians 5:19-20 "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; 20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Corinthians 2:11 "Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices."

#### <u>Deceitful Signs and Wonders in the Ministry of Backsliding</u> <u>Ministers</u>

Satan continued, "Some preachers who were once upon a time in the grace of God have lost the fountain of that calvary. I keep on deceiving them with lying signs and wonders. They think God is with them; they do not know that they are already off from the grace of God. Their destruction is coming suddenly without remedy."

#### 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12

9 "Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth that they might be saved. 11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness."

#### Matthew 7:21-23

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

22 Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? 23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity."

## <u>Closed Doors to Missionaries in Un-evangelised Lands</u>

Satan continued, "There are some that have never heard the name of that Righteous man. Those closed lands must remain closed forever. You must never allow missionaries to go in and mention His name so they may be saved. Go with full force that no one may escape. Those you have chance to destroy their lives, do. The time is short and His coming is at hand. Those lands must remain closed."

1 Thessalonians 2:18 "Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again; but Satan hindered us.

### Carelessness of Believers Toward Evangelism

Satan continued, "Make the believers careless about preaching the gospel. Make them pay nonchalant attitude to the heartbeat and heart-pain of that Righteous Man \_ the salvation of the people He died and shed His blood for. Mark 16:15, 16 "And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."

Acts 1:8 "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." 2 Timothy 4:1, 2 "I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom;

2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine."

1 Corinthians 9:16 "For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!"

#### **Occultism And Witchcraft**

Satan also declared an operation in hell known as operationcatch-them-young. He commanded his cohort saying, "Go and initiate as many as possible into occultism and witchcraft. Initiate the children and the young ones."

Deuteronomy 18:9-14 "When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. 10 There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, 11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer.12 For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. 13 Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. 14 For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observer of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do."

These are the strategies of Satan and he is carrying them out with full force. Right there in heaven I saw his demonic hosts disperse into the world to carry out Satan's errands. They are here now in the world at work among men. Children of God must take unto them the whole armour of God and do all to stand against the wiles of the devil. We must do all to escape for our dear lives and to help others escape too.

Ephesians 6:10-18 "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. 11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; 15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: 18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints."

## Holiness, Righteousness and Truth: The Standard for <u>Heaven</u>

Right there in heaven Jesus commissioned me into the world. He said, "Tell those ministers to repent and return to Me. If they refuse to repent I will devour them at once. Holiness, Righteousness and Truth are the only things that will bring man to My righteous kingdom. Go and warn man. I am sending you to the ends of the earth to declare to man My standard for heaven: Holiness, Righteousness and Truth. Tell man I still love him."

He quoted Isaiah 33:15-17: "He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes,

that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil, 16 He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure. 17 Thine eyes shall see the King in His beauty: They shall behold the land that is very far off."

Again Jesus quoted Isaiah 62:10-12: "Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the high way; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people. 11 Behold, the Lord hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him. 12 And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the Lord: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken."

Jesus said, "Go and tell man righteousness, truth and holiness of life are the things that will qualify the believer for entrance into heaven. Without holiness no man shall see the Lord. As you go, lift up the standard of Holiness in your personal life for people to see. Make it clear for the people. Let the whole world know. Lift up the banner of Holiness and Righteousness. Tell man I still love him.

<u>Live your life as a Christian ought to live."</u> Philippians 2:15, 16 "That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain."

1 Timothy 4:12 "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."\_

## <u>Jesus Warned Against the Activities of False</u> <u>Prophets and Teachers</u>

Jesus said,"Meddle not with them that are given to change. Be careful with the people you meet with. Be careful with the people that come around you."

2 John 10 "If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed."

Philippians 3:2 "Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision."

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 "And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. 2 For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified.3 And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. 4 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: 5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God."

Colossians 2:8 "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ." 2 Peter 3:16 "As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood,

which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction."

### Jesus Gave Me Three Basic Warnings.

- 1. "He said, Be careful of women.
- 2. Be careful of worldly desires.
- 3. Be careful of the pride of life."

Nehemiah 13:26 "Did not Solomon King of Israel sin by these things? yet among many nations was there no king like him, who was beloved of his God, and God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did outlandish women cause to sin." 1 John 2:16 "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. "He said, "Tell the world, My standard is high. I have not changed. I am still God.

He quoted 2 Peter 2:1-3: "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. 2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. 3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not."

The Lord said,"In these last days false teachers will arise and they are already operating in the world. These bring damnable heresies into the church, denying godliness and holiness. Many shall follow their ways. The way of truth, righteousness and holiness shall be evil spoken of. But, go and say it out. I will stand by you. Tell man I still love him. Tell him My standard is high.

2 Timothy 2:19 "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are His. And let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

Ephesians 5:27 "That He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." Hebrews 12:14 "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord."

# My Return to the Earth

When I returned to the earth I was very weak. The wife of my youth coordinator and the wife of one of the district coordinators were massaging my body. I was lying down. My tongue was not loosed for speech until around 1.00 p.m., when my pastor came around. I was sorrowful for my return to the earth. I wished to go back to heaven. **The Lord gave me this song to comfort and strengthen me.** 

#### HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW

1. Why should I feel discouraged Why should the shadows come Why should my heart be lonely And long for heaven and home When Jesus is my portion My constant Friend is He His eye is on the sparrow

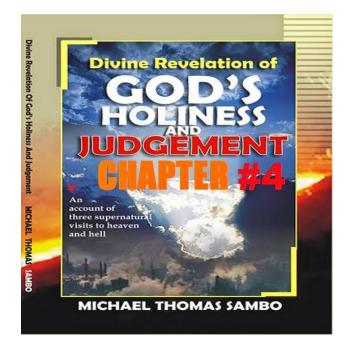
And I know He watches me His eye is on the sparrow

And I know He watches me I sing because I'm happy I sing because I'm free His eye is on the sparrow I know He watches me

2. Let not your heart be troubled His tender word I hear

And resting on his goodness I lose my doubt and fear Though by the path He leadeth But one step I may see His eye is on the sparrow And I know He watches me His eye is on the sparrow And I know He watches me 3. Whenever I am tempted Whenever clouds arise When songs give place to sighing When hope within me dies I draw the closer to Him From fear He sets me free His eye is on the sparrow And I know He cares for me His eye is on the sparrow And I know He cares for me

2 Corinthians 1:3, 4 "Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; 4 Who comforted us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them who are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God."



# <u>Christ's Visit To Me In The Teaching Hospital.</u>

This divine revelation of my encounter with heaven and hell is great challenging; but i am ever grateful unto our Lord Jesus Christ for his mighty power and grace upon my life. Am about to share my fourth revelation and in which i encounter severe attack from the devil. Though as the Lord will have it, i am a conqueror all to the divine glory, mercy and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

# <u>Christ's Visit To Me In The Teaching Hospital.</u>

The devil had told his cohort in their emergency meeting in hell that they should pursue and attack me in order to remove the message the Lord gave me for the world. He told them if they could, they should kill me. Truly I saw this in reality. I was involved in a ghastly accident and have experienced many kinds of satanic attacks.

# My Right Leg Became Paralyzed

The one I am going to present here concerns the paralysis of my right leg which happened in the second week of October, 2003,

about six months after my visits to heaven and hell. The Monday of this week, after my personal time with God, I went to attend lectures. I sat on a bench with one of my friends. I removed my notebook and placed it on the table to take notes. The hall was a big one and only that friend and I sat on that bench. To my surprise, that notebook could not be seen again. I asked him of the notebook I kept on the table before us and he said he did not know anything about it. I did not believe him because nobody had come to where we were sitting. I asked him to check his bag. He did so and did not see it. Then I perceived it was a spiritual battle. We were fully loaded with lectures and practical. I had been busy all this while and did not have time to pray over this mysterious happening. After practical at about 5.00 pm I went straight to the fellowship. Twenty minutes after I was seated in the hall, as activities went on, I felt like vomiting. I went out and vomited blood and some fluid. I cleaned up myself and returned to the hall and sat down. Not up to twenty minutes later I felt an electric shock and a sharp pain over me. Except that I exercised great control over myself I would have cried out loudly. The message was about starting. I tried to move my right leg, but there was no sensation on it at all. In fact it was as if I did not have a right leg. I tapped a friend sitting by me and said, "Something has happened to me. Please, go out and get me a stick." The brother, not knowing what had happened, went out and got a tiny stick for me. When I struggled to stand up with the support of that stick, it broke. Then the brethren knew that something terrible had happened to me. They came and carried me on the back to one of the fellowship apartments.

When I was in this apartment, I saw the devil come with a spear to throw at me. I shouted, "Jesus!" He disappeared. The campus fellowship leaders who were praying for me heard me shouting, "Jesus," but they did not know what happened. I did not let them know about it either. They again came and backed me to my hostel. I thought the whole thing would be over that evening, but it did not happen so. The following day I could not go for my lectures. I could not eat because I had no appetite. I sat, thinking, `Does it now mean I will hence be using crutches or wheel chair?" I told myself that it would not be so. I did not blame God for my affliction at all.

James 5:10, 11 "Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience. 11 Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.

# I Was Taken To The University Teaching Hospital

The brethren reasoned by evening of Tuesday that I should be taken to the University Teaching Hospital. My father was contacted by phone. The State Overseer of our church in my state of origin, Taraba, was informed of this incidence by phone. The Takum Region Overseer was informed. The Borno State Overseer was also told what was going on with me. Much prayer ascended to heaven for my deliverance. The brethren prayed violently. I know Satan suffered much torture through the prayers of the saints. When I was in the hospital I saw practical Christian love manifested towards me by the brethren. I enjoyed their love. My fellow students were bringing food, fruits, etc. for me. Thanks to God for such brotherly love.

John 13:34, 35 "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. 35 By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love for one another." Hebrews 13:1-3 "Let brotherly love continue. 2 Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.3 Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body."

I was taken to the hospital around 1:00 am, Wednesday morning. The doctor on call was told of my condition. I was taken to the emergency unit for his examination. After he had examined me he told some of our fellowship leaders that he was confused and that he did not understand what was wrong with

me. He told them to carry me back to the hostel. But the brethren pleaded with him to allow me there that night, since it was already late and there was no means of conveying me to the hostel; besides they hoped I would be given proper admission the following morning. He consented to their request.

## **Strange Behavior Of A Nurse In The Hospital**

The following morning I was given proper admission and was taken to one of the units. At this time I was sitting on a wheel chair. The paralyses leg was stiff. Where I was taken to, a nurse was passing by and kicked the affected leg. I wondered at such act. A nurse kicking a sick patient in my condition! I determined to confront him when he returned. When he returned I said, "Sir, you passed this way and kicked my leg and did not apologize for it: is that how you treat your patients in the wards?" He became angry and said, "**Why did you put your leg here?**" He lifted up his foot and kicked the leg properly. "I have people in this hospital that will terminate your appointment if I file your case," I warned him.

We have brethren who are consultants in the University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital where I was admitted. It dawned on me that the devil was at war with me. My elder brother was there caring for me. I told him I had seen satanic manipulation in the hospital and that he should carry me back to the hostel. He rejected my request and since I could not walk by myself, I remained still. I was given a bed where I laid.

1 Peter 5:7-11 "Casting all your care upon him; for He careth for you. 8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: 9 Whom resist steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished by your brethren that are in the world. 10 But the God of all grace, who had called us unto His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. 11 To Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen."

## **Efforts of Doctors in the Hospital**

About thirteen doctors came to carry out a team investigation on me to find out the cause of the paralysis. They carried out various tests but could not arrive at a definite cause. They had nothing to say to be the cause of my leg being paralyzed. The last day they came they gave the suggestion that I should be taken to radiology department so that the leg could be exercised and with the help of a walking stick it might be restored. They also directed that I should have brain scanning that might help to ascertain the cause of the paralysis. The cost of this brain scanning was about fifteen thousand Naira. People flocked in to my ward to visit and comfort me. The people in the ward wondered who I was that was so loved and cared for by many people. Our state campus coordinator also came to comfort me. The Lord indeed decided to honour me in the sight of the people in the hospital.

Psalm 91:14-16 "Because he hath set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known My name. 15 He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him : I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. 16 With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation."

# Jesus Came To The Hospital And Healed Me

Now when I discovered that the doctors were not clear of what was the cause and that much money had been spent already on me I was provoked to seek the face of the Lord. It was around 1.00 pm. I prayed and said, "God, I did not call myself into your service; You called me into it." I went into singing hymns and songs. **One of the songs I sang goes thus:** 

When you are in need Call on Jesus He has the power to lift you up When you are in need, Please, call on Jesus He has the power to lift you up When you are in need Call on Jesus He has the power to lift you up Because He answers When I call upon his name He will hear, He will hear, When I call upon His name He will hear.

I did not pray much. I was singing and worshiping God and giving Him thanks. I closed the apartment to my bed. While in the spirit of worship, I saw that somebody opened my apartment and walked in to me. He came in with a right leg, a liver and a heart in his hands. I wiped my eyes for a proper view of what I was seeing, wondering whether I was seeing something real. He said to me,

"I am JESUS. I came in response to the prayers of believers for you." Before I knew what, He had carried out an operation on me. The bad leg was removed and the new leg was fixed into my body. I did not feel the slightest pain. Praise the Lord! This was done in the shortest time.

Hebrews 13:8 "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever."

## The Forces Of Darkness Against Me

Jesus asked me, "Do you know the forces of darkness contending against you?" I said, "No, I don't." He said, "Look *at them.*" My eyes got opened. I saw some personalities in a dark place, as if in a hall. Their leader stood up and said, *"That their pastor we must deal with him. The entire church is taking a new move towards holiness. We must make sure we win this battle.*" They all shouted, "Yea, we must win!" He continued, "We must make sure we kill this boy and stop him from making all that noise he is making. We must silence this boy.

Ephesians 6:12 "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

Luke 22:31, 32 "And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: 32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren."

# The Authority of the Name of Jesus

Then Jesus asked me, "Do you know the authority of My name? Mention it and see what will happen." Since I had recovered, I sat down and prepared myself properly to mention that name. I shouted "JESUS!" When I mentioned the name of Jesus, there was an immediate reaction. In fact it was like a bomb was thrown into their midst. Smoke covered the place where they were gathered. They scattered and fled. Then Jesus said, "That is the authority and power of my name."

Philippians 2:9-11 "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: 10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth,11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

#### **Further Heavenly Revelation Given To Me By Jesus**

After this Jesus said, "Believers are sleeping. The trumpet would have sounded, except that I pleaded with My Father. This is because many people are going to hell. Believers are careless about their lives." 2 Peter 3:9 "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." Jesus told me this in tears, "Even workers are going about without doing <u>restitution</u>. I have made up My mind from the ages that no sin will enter heaven.

Acts 24: 16"And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men." Matthew 5:23, 24 "Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee,24 Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift."

Jesus continued, "My coming is at hand. I don't know when I shall come. It may be soon, I don't know. But if you don't see Me appear today, then it may be tomorrow. Live with the expectation of My appearing daily. Be careful with your life. Never allow sin into your life. Live as a Christian. Don't live like others, live as a Christian. Others

# may be saying other things, but know surely that without holiness no man shall see the Lord."

Mark 13:32-37 "But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are heaven, neither the Son, but the Father,33 Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is. 34 For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch. 35 Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock crowing, or in the morning,36 Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. 37 And what I say unto you, I say unto all, watch."

Jesus again said, "*I will show you once again what is happening.*" All of a sudden my eyes opened and I saw two angels with books before them. In their front I saw a line of believers who had died on earth and were awaiting the final word from the angels. Jesus said, "*Hear this very well* 

## . <u>A Believer was Denied Heaven on Account of</u> <u>Malice.</u>

The first person came before the angels. One of the angels shook his head when he opened the book of record. This man's record showed that he kept malice in his heart against someone. The angels told him he was living in malice and for that reason he would not enter heaven.

Colossians 3:13 "Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye." 1 John 3:15 "Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him." Matthew 18:15-17 15 "Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. 16 But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. 17 And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican."

## • <u>A Believer With Clean Records Entered Heaven</u> <u>With Great Joy.</u>

The second person came before the angels. The angels smiled and told him his record was clean and that he was free to enter into heaven. This man jumped through the pearly gate with great joy. Others who were still on the line behind him were shivering in fear.

2 Peter 1:5-11"And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; 7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. 8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall never be barren or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things ye shall never fall:11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

Matthew 25:21"His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord."

# • <u>A Believer Was Denied Heaven on Account of</u> <u>Fornication.</u>

The third person came before the angel. When he looked at his record he frowned at him and shook his head. This man's record showed that he was living in fornication. He could not enter heaven.

1 Corinthians 6:9, 10 "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

## • <u>Another Believer was Denied Heaven on Account</u> of Fornication.

The fourth person came before the angel. His record showed that he was living in fornication. He could not enter heaven. **Ephesians 5:3 "But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetous-ness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints.**"

## . <u>A Believer Was Denied Heaven On Account of</u> <u>Divorce And Remarriage.</u>

The fifth man divorced his wife and married another woman. When he came before the angel he told him that in heaven they knew him as an adulterer and that no adulterer can enter heaven. Mark 10:11, 12 "And He said unto them, Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her. 12 And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery."

Romans 7:2, 3 "For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. 3 So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man."

1 Corinthians 7:10, 11 "And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband,11 But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife."

# . <u>A Believer Was Denied Heaven On Account Of</u> Lying.

The sixth person came before the angels. One of the angels looked through his record and told him that he was a liar and that no liar can enter heaven.

Proverbs 6:16-19 "These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto Him: 17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, 18 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, 19 A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren."

Revelation 21:8 "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

## • <u>A Believer Was Denied Heaven Because He</u> <u>Willfully Refused To Do Restitution.</u>

The seventh person came before the angels. One of the angels looked through the book of record and told him that <u>there was a</u> <u>restitution</u> he was supposed to do when he was alive on earth. But since he deliberately refused to do it, he could not enter heaven.

Ezekiel 33:14-16 "Again, when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right; 15 If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he hath robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die. 16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live."

Genesis 20:1-18 "But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold, thou art but a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she is a man's wife. 7 Now therefore restore the man his wife; for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore her not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that are thine. 14 And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave them unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife."

Luke 19:7-10 7 "And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That He was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner, 8 And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if

I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. 9 And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, for as much as he also is a son of Abraham,10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Jesus told me that the names of backsliders are being removed from the book of life and replaced with the names of new converts. He said many ministers and believers would be taken by surprise because of spiritual sleep and carelessness. **Luke 21:34-36** "**And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and** 

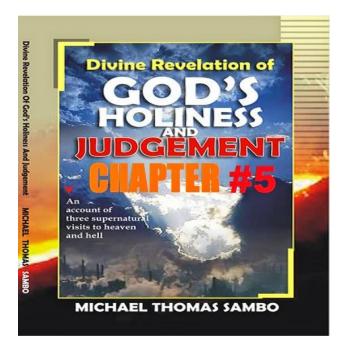
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drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. 35 For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. 36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man."

Jesus said, "You have seen all these things because I love this generation. The devil prefers you to die than live. But I will be with you and stand by you. Remember

John 16:33: `These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.' "

HE THAT HATH AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR.



# My Defence.

Since Jesus gave me these divine revelations of heaven and hell; I have been faithfully testifying them to people. I have faced many challenges and oppositions. However, I must confess with apostle Paul here: Acts 20:24 "But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God."

# My Defence.

I believe the Lord has raised me up for the defence and confirmation of the truth of the gospel of the Lord Jesus in these last days. Paul the apostle said, **Galatians 1:11, 12, 15,** 16 "But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. 12 For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. 15 But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by His grace, 16

## To reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood."

I believe that by these revelations given to me, God wants to quicken His truth to many and cause people to see how highly holiness is required for entry into heaven. The message the Lord has given me is not for a denomination. It is His message for all men in the world and for the whole church, the body of Christ.

# **My Disciplined Life**

My parents raised us up in good parental discipline. We were spank for our delinquencies. That made me to develop a disciplined life. When I gave my life to Christ I was committed and disciplined. I was a member of the choir in the church I belonged to. If we were taught a new song during the choir practice and I did not sing it well, I would not sleep until I had mastered that song. My commitment to the word of God is in the same spirit. I determined to seek the face of God for a revival in my life and in the church. I believe in answer to my prayers and yearning, the Lord gave me these revelations.

But some people in my denominational church are skeptical, some of which are ministers. I told God, "Lord, I did not call myself into this ministry; be with me." God has been faithfully backing me up and encouraging me. I am sure Jesus Christ took me to the two ends of eternity, heaven and hell, to see truths which are clearly written in the scriptures but are not understood by many, so that by my testimony they may see these truths and understand them clearly.

#### **Personal Experience Of Sanctification**

When I joined Deeper Life Bible Church newly, I did not believe the sanctification and holiness doctrine they preach. Someone in the Church said to me, "Why not verify these things?" I decided to verify them. I bought so many Christian literature and commentaries. I bought many books by John Wesley; all to ascertain the doctrine of Sanctification and Holiness. Anywhere I saw a book on holiness I bought it. I study a lot. I studied the scriptures to understand Sanctification and Holiness. I studied to understand the original Greek words that were translated to the English words `sanctify'; `sanctification'; `sanctified'; **`holiness'; `purity**'. Then I understood that Sanctification has more than one meaning in scriptural usage. Firstly, it means consecration or dedication unto God or holy uses. Secondly, Sanctification is a definite Christian experience whereby a believer's heart is circumcised, cleansed or purified of sinful nature, otherwise called inbred sin, adamic nature, the old man, the inward corruption. The believer by sanctification is rendered increasingly holy and is enabled to serve God without blemish in Holiness and Righteousness; Ephesians 5:25-27; 1Thessalonians 4:3-8; 5:22-24; Psalm 51:5-10; Hebrews 13:12,13,20,21; Acts **26:18.** I knelt down and sought the face of God for this experience. I saw as if a knife passed through my heart. My heart became clean and pure. Take time to verify the truth on Sanctification and Holiness for yourself. I believe the Lord will give you a clear conviction as He gave to me.

# The Problem of False Teachers In Christ's Church

Many people have not understood what it takes to be a real Christian. To some to be a Christian is to be baptized with water. To others it is to change church. I asked someone somewhere whether he was born again. He told me he was. What he meant was that he had been baptized with water. Many people profess to be Christians but are sinners. The Scripture rightly says, **Titus 1:16** "**They profess that they know God; but in works they deny Him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good works reprobate.**"

Many are blinded by the spirit of the last days. There are people who have replaced cardinal doctrines of the Scripture with lies, yet obedience to these doctrines is essential for heaven. "1 Timothy 4:15, 16 "Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all, 16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee."

What shall the end be for those who have replaced the truth with lies? Some teach that if you are baptized with water you are born again. Unlearned and ignorant preachers wrest the word of God, twist and dilute it until it has no more effect on those that hear it. There are prosperity preachers who replace God with His blessings. They teach and stir people to receive the blessings of God, but have nothing to tell them on how to please God and conform to the image of Christ. Because of material blessings, preachers prohibit their members from going to where they will learn the truth about God. They do not want them to listen to true preachers for fear that they may escape from their hands. Some Theologians met me and asked, "Do you believe that this Holiness is true and possible? Theology makes us understand that man cannot live above sin." That is their theology. But what saith the Scripture?

Luke 1:74-75 "That He would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve Him without fear, 75 In Holiness and Righteousness before Him, all the days of our life."

1 Peter 1:14-16 "As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: 15 But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; 16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."

2 Corinthians 5:17 `Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 1 John 3:9 "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God."

Christ imparts the Holiness of God into the believer and enables him to live in the new way of life. You cannot remain in sin if you are born again. A child of God does not lie, lust, steal, commit immorality. Eternal life, the life of God in him, is a life of holiness and righteousness. Many people have spotted the garment of righteousness given to them. Their garment is now spotted with worldliness, false doctrines, greed, pride etc. **The Psalmist said "I have chosen the way of truth."Psalm 119:30**  This means there is the way of error or falsehood. It takes determination in our day as ever to choose the way of Truth, Righteousness and Holiness. Many churches today are founded on distorted scriptures. Through false interpretations of scriptures, their preachers and teachers replace Christ's truths with lies, to their destruction and the destruction of those that hear them. Except they repent and return to the truth they are on their way to eternal damnation, as declared by apostle peter in

2 Peter 3:15-18"And account that the long suffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; 16 As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction. 17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness. 18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever. Amen."

If in the days of apostle Peter there were false preachers, how much more in our day? We must be warned against false doctrines and false teachers. God who is not willing that any one should perish, but that all should come unto the knowledge of the truth, has shined on His truths in the Bible, by the revelations given to me. These revelations do not contradict the scriptures; rather the scriptures confirm them to be of God. I have read through the Bible two times. A minister called me one day and warned me not to share these revelations with people. "You should preach the Bible," he said. I listened to him quietly. But I was actually laughing within me because the revelations I received were of the Holy Spirit. Jesus told me to testify them to men. Man cannot command me to stop speaking of them. Acts 4:19,20 "But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. 20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." Acts 5:29 "Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men."

God has been opening doors for me to give the testimony of these revelations to people. Jesus Christ told me in heaven that people would oppose these revelations, but that I should stand firm. I have made up my mind to stand by these revelations even to death. However, I shall not die young. I shall live to declare the truth of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Understanding Prophesy**

Let us learn something about prophecy. **1 Corinthians 14:3** "But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort."The Scripture is called, **2** Peter 1:19 "A more sure word of prophecy." It fulfills the above three characteristics: edification, exhortation and comfort. The Spirit of God gives prophetic revelations to men. When these are uttered they equally edify, exhort and comfort the body of Christ. Through these prophetic revelations believers are made to see into the mind of God and to receive correct understanding of some scriptural truths. Through the revelations of hell fire given by the Holy Spirit believers and sinners are warned of the danger of sin and unbelief. Surely, **It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God."Hebrews10:31** 

Prophetic revelations of heaven, the reward of righteousness, bring comfort to the believers. The believers are assured of the promises of God and are strengthened in their Christian life and service by the visions of heaven given to some contemporary believers by the Holy Spirit.

When the Lord gives such edifying revelations we are to

#### "Comfort one another with these words."

- 1 Thessalonians 4:18
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-22
- 16 "Rejoice ever more.
- 17 Pray without ceasing.

18 In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

- 19 Quench not the Spirit.
- 20 Despise not prophesyings.
- 21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

#### 22 Abstain from all appearances of evil."

We should not despise prophesying because it is still one of God's ways of speaking to individual believers, the local church, the body of Christ and the entire humanity. To despise the revelations given by God is to quench the move of the Holy Spirit in the church and in the world. When the Lord gives a spiritual revelation concerning an

individual, a local church, the body of Christ or men in general, such should be proved by the truth and teaching of the Scripture.

If the Scripture confirms the revelation to be of God, it should be received with thanksgiving and joy. We are commanded to hold fast that which is good. Never speak evil or take any evil step against the revelations of the Holy Spirit. Visions and revelations are still part of the ways God ministers to the edification of the body of Christ and saves the souls of lost men in the world.

# Can I Depend On You, My Son?

# My father and mother are real Christians. When I shared these revelations with our local Church, my mother came up publicly and testified of the insight she had received.

She said, "I used to take God for granted before; but now I see things clearly." I wept that day for her testimony. I gave my life to Christ when I was 13 years old. I grew with my parents who were faithful members of a Pentecostal church. It was far later that they became members of Deeper Life Bible church. My father is a coordinator in the church. I am a disciplined believer. I do spend much time before God in fasting and prayer. The appearance of Jesus Christ to me was not in secret but publicly. It was during the National Easter Retreat of Deeper Life Bible church in Takum Region, Taraba state, Nigeria. Over 2000 participants attended the Retreat: adults, youths and children. All were fully aware of what went on with me. They can testify of my Christian life and of the divine visitation I received during the Retreat. As the Lord opens doors for me to share these revelations with people, there are those who receive them with open heart, having proved them to be God's word. They spread them far and near, not minding the cost. Such know that they are doing the will of God. They see it as the message the hardened, skeptical world, the lukewarm church and the persecuted church need now for their salvation, revival and comfort. But there are those who are skeptical and would want to resist the spread of these revelations. They would want to discourage me so that I may not continue. Such I would advise to be sober and to see things in the light of Scripture. Jesus had foreseen their acts and the cross I would carry for this assignment when He asked me in heaven in tears, "My son Brother Mike, many to whom I gave like revelations and commission disappointed me. Can I depend on you?" God will surely depend on me. Amen. Some years ago, the Lord gave me a promise that He would use my voice all round the world for His glory. I did not understand what He meant. However, I wrote the promise down and it was forgotten. Recently I went through my diary and discovered that promise to my great surprise. Today the cassettes of these revelations have gone to many places according to the will of God. The Lord shall send them to the furthest ends of the world in Jesus name. Amen. The Lord wants the standard of His word to be kept. Jude exhorts: Jude 3 "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto

you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once given unto the saints."

My conviction is that a man must be born again before he can be called a Christian. Water baptism is for those who are born again. A believer needs sanctification of his heart. Baptism with the Holy Spirit is an experience separate from salvation and sanctification and is God's promise for all believers for effective service. Holiness of life is a must for entry into heaven. My outward appearance is devoid of worldliness. I live holily, justly and unblameable before God and in the sight of men. God gives me the grace for this.

#### **God Confirms These Revelations By Scriptural Signs**

Matthew 11:2-6 "Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, 3 And said unto Him, Art thou He that should come, or do we look for another? 4 Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: 5

The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. 6 And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in Me."

Jesus here gave the signs that proved that He was the Messiah and His message was from God. God usually manifests clear signs to confirm that these revelations which I share everywhere are from Him. Hardened and hidden sinners and backsliders repent in dust and ashes when they hear my testimony. Believers press forward for sanctification of their hearts. People carry out <u>restitution</u> to make right their ways with God and men. Believers become fervent in spirit and holy in character. God baptizes his saints with the Holy Spirit. People receive miracle healing and deliverance by the power of God. A woman who had been barren for 10 years came to me for counseling.

After a simple prayer for her, she wrote me later that she had conceived. A woman who had practiced witchcraft for three years and had killed her four children, repented in dust and ashes and became delivered and converted. Many other signs have been given by God to justify these things. What is my aim in defending these revelations?

My aim is to glorify Jesus and make people believe in Him and serve God in Holiness and Righteousness: "But these things are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through His name."John 20:31 For those who remain hardened in unbelief and have rejected this heavenly experience and the message it conveys to man,

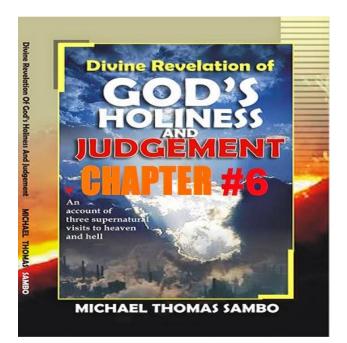
John 8:42-47 "Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love Me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but He sent Me. 43 Why do ye not understand My speech? Even because ye cannot hear My word. 44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. 45 And because I tell you the truth, ye believe Me not. 46 Which of you convinceth Me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe Me? 47 He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. "If I do not the works of My Father, believe Me not. But if I do, though ye believe not Me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in Me, and I in Him."

Anyone who soberly listens to or reads through these divine revelations given to me will believe that God gave them. As for me I pledge commitment to the gospel of Christ and to the commission He has given to me.

# **My Commitment To Christ's Commission**

I came across the commitment of an African Pastor. I produced and pasted it by my bedside. It is equally my commitment. "I am part of the fellowship of the unashamed. I have the Holy Spirit power. The die has been cast. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I am a disciple of His. I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away, or be still. My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, my future is secured. I am finished and done with low living, sight-walking, small planning, smooth knees, colourless dreams, tamed vision, mundane talking, cheap living and dwarf goals. I no longer need pre-eminence, prosperity, position, promotion, plaudits, or popularity. I don't have time to be first, top, recognized, praised, regarded, or rewarded. I now live by faith, lean on His presence, walk by patience, live by prayer, and labour by power. My face is set, my gait is fast, my goal is heaven, my road is narrow, my way rough, my companions few, my guide reliable, my mission

clear. I cannot be bought, compromised, detoured, lured away, turned back, deluded or delayed. I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of the adversary, negotiate at the table of the enemy, ponder at the pool of popularity, or meander in the maze of mediocrity. I won't give up, shut up, let up, until I have stayed up, stored up, prayed up, paid up, preached up, for the course of Christ. I am a disciple of Jesus. I must go until He comes, give until I drop, preach until all know, and work until He stops me. And when He comes for His own, He will have no problem recognizing me — my banner will be clear! Amen."



# Jesus Christ is The Way The Truth and The Life.

The Bible reveals clearly that the God head is made up of three separate Persons, each distinct from the other. The first is called God the Father, the second is God the Son and the third is God the Holy Spirit. These three separate Persons make up the one God that we serve. Each one of these three Persons is God in all fullness.

No one is greater than the others. The three Persons are united in one and there can be no separation. Each one of these three is the Creator, the Lord, and the eternal God. Yet we do not have three Creators, Lords, or eternal Gods, but One. Let us examine the Scripture on important issues of eternal consequence;

#### Scriptural Insights

John 14:6 "Jesus said unto him, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, But by Me." Acts 4:12 "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven giving among men, whereby we must be saved." 1 John 5:11-13 "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. 12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. 13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe in the name of the Son of God."

#### a. Jesus Christ is The Way The Truth and The Life.

The Scripture says: "And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear O Israel; The Lord our God is One Lord."Mark 12:29 God the Son came to the world in human form. His name was called Jesus Christ. He came to save mankind from sin and to restore man to eternal life with God.

John 1:1-3, 10, 14 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew him not. 14 And the Word was made flesh and dwelled among us (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth." Matthew 1:21-23"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins. 22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, 23 Behold a virgin shall be with child, and shall

### bring forth a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

Your eyes now have opened clearly to the One that suffered because of your sins, the One that was crucified on the cross, that died, was buried and rose from death on the third day; the One that gave the commission that the gospel be preached in all the world to make people believe on Him for the forgiveness of their sins and the salvation of their souls; the One that went back to heaven and promised that He would be coming back to the world to take His true believers to be with Him and to condemn rebellious sinners to everlasting hell fire, prepared for Satan and his angels. Your eyes have opened clearly to who JESUS is — our Lord and our God.

John 20: 27-29 27 "Then said He to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold My hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into My side: and be not faithless, but believing 28 And Thomas answered and said unto Him, My Lord and my God. 29 Jesus said unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen Me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."

# . <u>There Is No Salvation In Any Other Religion Or</u> <u>Belief.</u>

All those who seek the salvation of their souls through other religions or persons (saints, prophets, masters, etc.) can never find true salvation and can never enter into heaven. John 10:8-11 "Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. 8 All that ever came before Me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did Page | 122 not hear them. 9 I am the door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. 10 The thieve cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. 11 I am the good Shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." To reject Jesus is to reject the God of your life. To reject Jesus means you have chosen to go to hell and be damned forever along with Satan and his subjects.

# • <u>Special Adoration Or Worship Of Any Saint Is</u> <u>Idolatry</u>

There are those who exalt, <u>adore and worship Mary the earthly</u> <u>mother of Jesus</u>. They pray to her or through her. They also adore some dead saints and pray to them or through them. The Bible has this to say of such people:

Romans 1:20-22, 25, 28 "For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse, 21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, 25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. 28 And even as they do not want to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient." Those who give special adoration to Mary or worship her, who pray to Mary or through her or pray to or through any other person, dead or alive, should know that they are not Christians but idol worshipers and have no place in the kingdom of God. Mary is a creature of God as all of us are. She was chosen by God for the service of giving birth to Jesus in the same way as God chose Abraham to be the father of faith, Moses' mother to give birth to Israel's redeemer from Egypt, David to be the king of Israel and established his kingdom over Israel for ever. None of these receive special honour and worship. God's choice of men for special function continues to this day. He chooses men to carry out specific functions according to His divine purpose. JESUS, the Creator of heaven and earth, when on earth, was the Son of Mary in the ordinary sense as He was the Son of David. The Lord is the Saviour of all men. Mary acknowledged that the Lord is her Saviour. Luke 1:46,47 "And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord, 47 And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour." Mary is in heaven now not because she was the mother of Jesus, but because she believed that Jesus was the Son of God and was saved from her sins through faith in Christ as every other saint now in heaven. Only God should receive special adoration and worship and not His creatures.

Acts 10:25, 26 "And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshiped him. 26 But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man."Acts 14:11-15 "And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men. 13 Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people. 14 Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out, 15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein."

Revelation 22:8, 9 "And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things. 9 Then said he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the saying of this book: worship God."

If Mary should come alive on earth today, she would reprove those who give her special adoration and worship. But, alas, Satan has filled a whole Christian denomination with satanic signs and wonders to convince them that Mary hears and answers prayers and accepts their worship, to their eternal regret in the flames of hell. Let no man deceive and destroy you with teachings that are based on human traditions and not on the holy Scripture. Save your eternal soul by repenting of your sins and accepting **Jesus only** as your Lord and Saviour. Withdraw yourself from Mary's and saint's adoration or worship.

#### Leviticus 26:1 "Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a standing image, neither shall

ye set up any image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God." Isaiah 42:8 "I am the LORD: that is My name: and My glory will I not give to another, neither My praise to graven images." 1 John 5:21 "Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen."

# b. <u>The Salvation of Your Soul From Sin and Hell</u>

The way of salvation from sin and hell fire is clearly revealed in Scripture. If you follow the path of salvation shown in the Scripture, you will surely be saved. God has never predestined you to eternal damnation. He is merciful to you. Do the following for your salvation from sin and hell fire:

**Firstly,** accept the fact that you have sinned against God through disobeying His commandments. You have done many evil things against God, against yourself and your fellow men. By virtue of your sins and wicked deeds, which may be many or few, you are justly condemned by God and are in the number of those doomed for everlasting destruction in hell fire.

Galatians 5:19-21 "Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, 21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." Psalm 51:3, 4 "For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. 4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy

### sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest."

**Secondly** :God is a merciful God who freely forgives the sins of those that repent and seek His forgiveness. Confess your sins to Him, repent of them and plead with Him to forgive you.

Isaiah 55:7 "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon." Psalm 51:1, 2 "Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving-kindness: according unto the multitudes of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions

# 2 Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin."

**Thirdly:** Jesus Christ is the Saviour from sin. You cannot stop sinning by your power without Him. Welcome Him into your life to give you the power to overcome sin. When Jesus comes into your life He will save you from sin and give you the power of righteousness. Jesus is the universal Saviour from sin. Apart from Him there is no other one and no other way.

Acts 16:30, 31 "And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? 31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."John 1:12 "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name." 2 Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore if

# any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

**Fourthly,** when you give your life to Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven and you have a new life from God. Your name enters into the book of life in heaven. Surely, you will not want to start committing new sins and to get your name removed from the book of life. You must determine to continue in Christ by living a righteous life every day to the end of your life on earth. Make sure you have a good Bible. Study your Bible regularly and pray always to God for His grace to live the Christian life. Obey God's word in every area of your life. The Holy Spirit will guide you into all truth, obey Him. Do not be afraid of man and be not ashamed of following Jesus. Dissociate from evil friends, relationships and associations.

1 John 3:9, 10 "Whosoever is born of God doth no commit sin; for His seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God, 10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother." Colossians 2:6-8 "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him. 7 Rooted and built up in Him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. 8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

#### <u>Water Baptism</u>

Having given your life to Jesus Christ, you will need to submit yourself to water baptism. Water baptism follows repentance and faith on the Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 8:35-39 "Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus. 36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? 37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. 38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him. 39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing."

The scriptural water baptism is one immersion into water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. **Matthew 28:19 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."** 

Water baptism is not for ignorant and unconverted children, nor for unrepentant adult. Those who were baptized when they were still sinners need to be baptized when they truly repent and give their lives to Jesus Christ. The apostles practiced water baptism according to the instruction given to them by the Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 2:38 "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Baptism in the name of Jesus Christ as seen in the above passage and in other passages in Acts of the Apostles means baptism as instructed or authorized by Jesus Christ.

# . <u>Baptism With the Holy Ghost</u>

Baptism with the Holy Ghost or the gift of the Holy Ghost is the coming of the Holy Spirit upon a believer in baptismal measure for the purpose of filling him with power for effective Christian service. All believers are promised the baptism with the Holy Spirit by God. This is received by prayer and faith on God's promises. Acts 1:8 "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Luke 11:13 "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him." The scriptural evidence of baptism with the Holy Spirit is speaking in tongues as the Spirit inspires. Acts 2:4 "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 10:44-46 "While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. 45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost, 46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God."

Speaking in tongues as evidence of baptism with the Holy Spirit is given to every believer who is baptized with the Holy Spirit for the purpose of prayer and personal edification. This is, however, different from speaking in tongues as a ministry gift which God does not give to every believer, as the gifts of prophecy, healing, working of miracles, etc.

1 Corinthians 12:28-31 "And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles? 30 Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret? 31 But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way."

### . <u>Restitution</u>

Now that you are in Christ, the Lord expects you to serve Him with a conscience void of offence toward God and toward man. Hence you will need to take some corrective actions over your past life, according to the teaching of the Scripture. This may involve settling your differences with those offended by you, paying back your just debts, returning stolen property, apologizing for lies told, false claims, fraudulent acts; dissolving your unscriptural marriage union, given up false certificates. This is called restitution.

The Holy Spirit will reveal to you those things that require your corrective actions, according to the word of God. God will be with you as you carry out your <u>restitution</u> and His grace will be sufficient for you. Restitution as an act of righteousness will fill

you with joy and peace and will glorify the name of the Lord among men.

Ecclesiastes 3:15 That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past." 1 Samuel 12:3-5 "Behold, here I am: witness against me before the LORD, and before His anointed: whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I received any bribe to blind mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it you, 4 And they said, Thou hast not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither hast thou taken ought of any man's hand. 5 And he said unto them, The LORD is witness against you, and His anointed is witness this day, that ye have not found ought in my hand. And they answered, He is witness."

Ezekiel 33:14-16 "Again, when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right: 15 If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he hath robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die. 16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live."

Luke 19:5-10 "And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for today I must abide at thy house. 6 And he made haste and came down and received Him joyfully. 7 And when they saw it they all murmured, saying, That He was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.8 And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. 9 And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, for as much as he also is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Acts 23:1 "And Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men and brethren, I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day." Acts 24:16 "And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men."

Some restitution require counseling from true and wise men of God, especially those involving others. Take sufficient counsel before carrying out such restitution. Proverbs 11:14 "Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety."

### c. The Church to Worship God With

The Bible is very clear on this area. Follow the instructions of the word of God so that you can preserve your salvation to the end of your life on earth. The Bible warns us against joining the wrong church.

Proverbs 13:20 "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed." Matthew

15:7-9, 14 "Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying, 8. This people draweth nigh unto Me with their mouth, and honoureth Me with their lips; but their heart is far from Me. 9 But in vain they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. 14 Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch."

Matthew 23:13, 15 "But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in, 15 Woe unto you scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte (convert), and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves."

From the above and many other scriptures we understand that some churches are ignorant and foolish to the ways of God. Their worship of God is only lip service. Some of these churches are completely demonic in origin and in activities. They are deeply buried in their sins. Their leaders are blind guides. If you are in such a church you will be made twice a child of hell than the leaders themselves. Not all churches teach the truth that leads people to heaven: beware and be warned! Do not join such a church and if you are already a member, you must withdraw yourself.

Do not allow family, ethnic, tribal, religious or denominational politics to hinder you from obeying the clear instructions of the Scripture. If you are the leader of such assembly, you need to repent of your sins and give your life to Jesus Christ and allow your members to worship God in the true way with a true church of Christ. Humble yourself and obey the truth that will save your soul.

Isaiah 48:17-20 "Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go. 18 O that thou hadst hearkened to My commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea: 19 Thy seed also hath been as the sand, and the offspring of thy bowels as the gravel thereof; his name should not have been cut off nor destroyed from before Me. 20 Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it even to the end of the earth; say ye, The LORD hath redeemed His servant Jacob."

### • <u>Characteristics Of A Good Church Of Christ</u>

The Bible reveals the characteristics of the fellowship of true believers. Look for a true church of Christ and worship God with them. Again, do not allow the politics of religion or denomination to affect your obeying Bible instructions which are for your eternal life.

2 Timothy 2:2, 22 "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, which shall be able to teach others also. Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart." 1 John 1:3, 5, 7 "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. 5 This then is the message which we have heard of Him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin."

Matthew 28:18-20"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

As seen in the above scriptures and many others, a true church of Christ is built upon the word of God. The leaders faithfully preach and teach the word of God. They do not change Christ's doctrines along with the changing world. The members serve God in righteousness and holiness. The presence of God is clearly manifest among them in the demonstration of power and gifts of the Spirit.

Acts 4:23, 29-33 "And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them. 29 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word, 30 By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy Child Jesus. 31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness. 32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. 33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

Locate a true church of Christ and worship God together with the brethren. This will help to preserve your Christian faith and prepare you for eternal life. If you are a minister over a congregation, make sure you practice and teach all the word of God so that you can save yourself and them that hear you.

Matthew 7:4, 5 "Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? 5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shall thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye." Ezra 7:10 "For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments. 1 Timothy 4:15, 16 "Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all. 16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." It is unfortunate that many churches today have slipped into fleshly gratification of <u>music and dancing</u>. During the ministry of the word and prayer the members are dull and sleepy. They become fully awake and active when music and dancing resumes. The preachers are being tempted to introduce music and dancing regularly and to prolong this period during worship service to keep the worshippers awake. This is seen as dance worship and they feel that God is greatly glorified by it. Unknown to them, this is Satan's subtil device to steal away the word of God and prayer from the church and deny sinners and believers concentration on the word of God and prayer by which they can be saved, sanctified and empowered. Christian music and worship must be pure and holy and be devoid of worldliness.

James 1:21 "Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls." 2 Timothy 4:2 "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine."

Music and dancing, not the word of God and prayer, is now the instrument many churches are using to preserve their youths. This is building the youths upon a sandy foundation. Neither such churches nor their youths have a future. Matthew 7:27 "And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it." God bless the holy church that builds her youths upon the word of God and prayer. This is building the youths on a sound foundation. Such churches and their youths Page | 138

have a glorious future. Luke 6:48 "He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock."

# d. <u>The Outward Appearance of a Holy Christian</u>

1 Peter 1:14-16 "As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to your former lusts in your ignorance: 15 But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; 16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."

**God is holy.** He demands holiness from those that desire fellowship with Him. God wants His children to be inwardly as well as outwardly holy. This means not only is our inward attitude, but also our outward appearance is important to God.

Exodus 20:26 "Neither shall thou go up by steps into My altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered." God does not want our sensitive body parts to be exposed to the view of public eye. Exposing sensitive body parts to the public causes defilement among men and dishonours God. The Bible reveals that some adornment, designs and dressing styles do not belong to God's children but to the ungodly and sinners.

Proverbs 7:10-12 "And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart. 11 (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house: 12 Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every

#### corner.)"2 Kings 9:30 "And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; and she painted her face, and tied her head, and looked out at a window."

Believers are bought with the precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. To expose the sensitive parts of our body to the public through rough and improper dressing is to defile the body, the temple of the Holy Spirit. To put on the attire that makes us look like harlots or rascals is to grieve the Holy Spirit and incur His wrath.

1 Corinthians 3:16, 17 "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? 17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." When God instructed Jacob to go up to Bethel, the place he first met with God, he told his household to cleanse themselves from evil and to change their dressing.

Genesis 35:1-4 "And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother. 2 Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean and change your garments: 3 And let us arise, and go up to Bethel; and I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went. 4 And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which were in their hand, and all their earrings which were in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem." Encounter with the holy God must produce not only inward visible change, but also outward visible change. Encounter with the holy God by anyone, male or female, should lead to removal and destruction of ungodly clothes and change of dressing style to conform to His nature of holiness. Right from the Old Testament time God warned His people against make-ups and ungodly attire.

# Deuteronomy 22:5 "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth to a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are an abomination unto the LORD thy God."

In our day there are women that wear trousers and put on shirts, looking like men in appearance. Some argue that the trousers are feminine in design. There is no excuse in that. True children of God know that such are attires of harlots. No child of God who knows the holiness of God and claims to be walking on the narrow way to heaven will put on such attires. All that do so are abomination to God and will never enter into heaven. It is unfortunate that some preachers permit or encourage their members to put on these ungodly clothing. Some are silent about the ungodly outward appearance of their church members. They shall go with their members to hell. There is no respect of persons with God.

Isaiah 56:10, 11 "His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. 11 Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter

# The Dressing and Comportment of Holy Women

The Scripture says the following concerning the outward appearance of holy women:

1 Timothy 2: 9, 10 "In like manner also that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; 10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works."

1 Peter 3:2-5 "While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear. 3 Whose adorning, let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; 4 But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. 5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands."

The word "**gold**" in the passages above means jewelry, which is a collective word for earrings, rings, nose rings, chains, necklace, bracelets: items of ornamentation or bodily decoration. Holy women of old time did not adorn themselves with items of beauty and worldliness which were prevalent among the backsliders and ungodly society of their day. They clothed themselves with meekness, quiet spirit, and holiness, which is in the sight of God of great price. They were modest in outward appearance.

# Worldliness to be Avoided in Christian Dressing

The Bible reveals the worldliness in adornment that characterized the Old Testament time, which has continued to today. The ungodly daughters of Zion borrowed these worldly adornments from the heathen nations around them. God had warned Israel not to learn the ways of the heathen.

Isaiah 3:16-20 "Moreover the LORD saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet: 17 Therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will discover their secret parts,18 In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet, and their cauls, and their round tires like the moon, 19 The chains and the bracelets and the mufflers, 20 The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the tablets, and the earrings, 21 The rings, and nose jewels, 22 The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins. 23 The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the vails. 24 And it shall come to pass, that instead of sweet smell there shall be stink; and instead of a girdle a rent; and instead of well set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding of sackcloth; and burning instead of beauty."

The Holy Spirit listed these items to make the men and women of God know and avoid them. To adorn yourself with these things makes you unholy before God. Today there are children of God, even men and women of God, who use earrings, nose Page | 143 jewels, chains, necklace, rings. These things hinder them from being truly holy in the sight of God. Humble yourself and remove them and do not risk your eternal soul by vain arguments. There is no correction of your ways after death.

# Psalm 50:21, 22 "These things hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether such an one as thyself: but I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thine eyes, 22 Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to deliver."

Cleanse yourself and keep yourself from all forms of worldliness and worldly adornment, such as, palming or jerry curling of the hair, use of hair attachment, mini-skirts, split-skirts, armpitexposing blouses; keeping long nails, painting of face, lips, nails; wearing of wigs; and whatever Satan introduces into the world to defile the holiness of God's children. **1 Corinthians 7:1** "Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God."

We are living in the New Testament era and God has given to us the full revelation of His word and will. We should not consider the case of any Old Testament character as an excuse to obeying the full word of God. Never take shelter under the teaching or outward appearance of any man or woman of God which does not conform to the standard of God's word. They shall not stand for you, but for themselves before God in that day. As the men are not to put on women clothing so also they are not to do their hair like women. If a man adopts the hairdo of women he is an abomination unto the Lord. The believer's haircut must not be according to the fashion of the world. The woman also must not have haircut like man. The Bible says it is a shame to the woman to be shorn.

#### . <u>Headcovering</u>

1 Corinthians 11:3-16 "But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God. 4 Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head. 5 But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven. 6 For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered. 7 For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, for as much as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man. 10 For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels. 13 Judge in yourselves: is it comely that the woman pray unto God uncovered? 14 Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him? 15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering."

Christ is the Head of the man and man is the image and glory of God. The man is the head of the woman and the woman is his glory. During worship: prayer, prophesying or preaching, the man should not cover his head. During this formal period Christ is the One in headship and God's glory is to be seen. If a man covers his head at this period it shows he has covered the headship of Christ and the glory of God. During this formal period, man is not in focus, he is not in headship and the glory is not his but God's, hence his headship and glory are to be covered.

This is visibly done by the veil on the woman's head. Angels who minister to the saints during worship expect submission to this rule by Christ's followers. Outside this formal period, the wearing of any kind of veil by man is not an offence as long as it befits a believer and does not transgress the law of decency.

Similarly, outside this formal period, the woman is not under obligation to be veiled. This is because her long hair "**Is a glory to her for her hair is giving her for a covering.**" Covering her head with a veil is only required during worship, after which she is at liberty to leave her head uncovered by a veil. Her hair could be seen on her to her glory in her normal living. Her hairdo must be decent and befitting to a believer. She must avoid hairdo that changes her hair from the natural to unnatural. *That will be lying against the truth and grieving the Holy Spirit*. She must not plate gold or items of beauty and fashion into her hair. She should avoid the use of jewellery and the art of dressing for show. **1 Peter 3:5 "For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves.**"

# e. <u>God's Standard in Marriage</u>

God who instituted the marriage union has a standard for it. The Scripture clearly shows God's standard that is to be followed and observed by His children. God is interested in the marriage of His children. He gives good husbands and wives to those that come to Him. Seek the face of God earnestly to receive His choice of a marriage partner.

Proverbs 19:14 "House and riches are the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife is from the Lord." Matthew 7:11 "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask Him."

The Scripture warns believers against marrying unbelievers. An unbeliever is someone who has not been saved from sin through the blood of Jesus Christ. He is a sinner. He or she may be active in the church and profess to be a Christian, but there is clearly no evidence of such profession. Such should not be married by a child of God.

Titus 1:16 "They profess that they know God; but in works they deny Him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate."

2 Corinthians 6:14-18 "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteous-ness? and what communion hath light with darkness? 15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, 18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and

daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

1 Corinthians 7:39 "The wife is bound by the law as long as the husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord."

Deuteronomy 7:3, 4 "Neither shall thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son. 4 For they will turn away thy son from following Me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindle against you, and destroy thee suddenly."

Do not esteem such advantages as beauty, same tribe, same church, educational attainment, social status, wealth, family background, etc. above the requirement of Scripture. Do not risk your eternal soul. It is better not to marry at all than to marry an unbeliever.

Those who are already married should know that God is the marriage builder. He can repair every marriage union and solve every problem between husband and wife, however complex. Bring your marriage before the Lord; He will put it in order and give you peace.

Psalm 68:5, 6 "A Father of the fatherless, and a Judge of the widows, is God in His holy habitation.

6 God setteth the solitary in families: He bringeth out those which are bound with chains: but the rebellious dwell in a dry land." 1 Peter 5:7 "Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you."

God has giving us in the Scripture His standard in marriage. Those who desire to serve Him must keep this standard. Mark 10:6-9 "But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female.

7 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife;

8 And they twain shall be one flesh; so then they are no more twain, but one flesh.

# 9 What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder."

The scriptural marriage is a union between one man and one woman in holy wedlock. Those who marry more than one wife are sinners before God. The man who does so is committing adultery against his wife and shall be judged by God. If he desires to repent of his sins and follow the Lord Jesus Christ, then he must put away those women he is committing adultery with, whatever the number of years they have stayed together and whatever the number of children they have gotten in the marriage. Separation is required between him and the illegal women and not the children. He should remain with his first wife. The scriptural law of marriage binds a man to his wife and a woman to her husband as long as the other marriage partner is alive. Romans 7:2, 3

2 "For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband.

3 So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man."

1 Corinthians 7:39

"The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord.

The law of marriage binds a husband to his wife and the wife to her husband as long as both of them are still alive. Divorce and remarriage to another person is not allowed. Whoever divorces and remarries when the marriage partner is still alive has no part in the kingdom of God. He or she is committing adultery.

Mark 10:10-12

10 "And in the house His disciples asked Him again of the same matter.

11 And He saith unto them, Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her.

12 And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery."

If you are married to another woman or as a woman you are married to another man, apart from your first scriptural binding marriage partner, you are in a wrong relationship and must dissolve it, if you want to please God. You should go back to your first lawful marriage partner or stay unmarried.

1 Corinthians 7:10, 11

10 "And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband:

11 But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife."

# "Saving For the Cause of Fornication," Explained

There are those who say that adultery committed by one of the partners in a marriage union can result to scriptural divorce and remarriage. This understanding comes from the misinterpretation of the following scriptures:

#### Matthew 5:32

"But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery."

#### Matthew 19:9

"And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another,

# committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery."

The issue here that can cause divorce is fornication and not adultery. Unfortunately some Bible translations replace the word fornication with marital unchastity or marital unfaithfulness. Many stumble by these renderings. Fornication is a sin which is committed by someone who has not yet entered into the marriage union. The following scripture will give understanding of the above scriptures:

#### Matthew 1:18-20

18 "Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: when as His mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily.

20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost."

In this scripture Mary was called the wife of Joseph, when they were still in betrothal relationship and the marriage union had not yet been contracted. When Joseph thought that Mary had become pregnant through fornication he made up his mind to put her away and would have done so, except that God stopped him and gave him a clear explanation concerning Mary's pregnancy. Among the Jews the betrothal stage of marriage was binding on the partners and they were not to separate from each other, but must enter into the marriage union in the appropriate time. Jesus in **Matthew 5:32** and **19:9** above showed that fornication by either of the partners in betrothal relationship can break the betrothal bond and the other party could be free to marry another. This is in consonant with the uniform revelation of the New Testament on this subject. No Scripture stands alone.

Among Christ's followers, we must note that when two believers are in bond to marry each other and one of them backslides from the faith, such marriage proposal must discontinue. The other partner has become an unbeliever and can no more be married, to keep to the standard of the Scripture. If the backslider repents and gets restored and the believer still feels persuaded to continue with the marriage proposal, it is acceptable. He or she is not marrying a sinner but a believer. Let us consider that scripture again.

Matthew 19:9 "And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso married her which is put away doth commit adultery."

# • <u>Seven Facts to Prove That Adultery Cannot Cause</u> <u>Divorce</u>

Note that the clause "**except it be for fornication**" is not found in the gospel accounts of Mark and Luke and in the epistles. The following facts show clearly that this scripture does not refer to adultery or marital unfaithfulness committed by a husband or a wife in a marriage union already contracted. No. 1: Jesus said a husband and wife in a proper marital relationship are one flesh and are no more two. This bond is made by God and man has no power to cancel it. Matthew 19:4-8 "And He answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that He which made them at the beginning made them male and female, 5 And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? 6 Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder. 7 They say unto Him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away? 8 He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so."

No minister, church or custom has authority to dissolve the marriage bond between husband and wife in a scriptural marriage union. Divorce pronouncement in a law court by a Judge based on the laws of the country does not dissolve a scriptural marriage union, because the laws of God are higher than the laws of any country.

No. 2: The grace of God in Christ Jesus gives the believer the power to forgive his fellow men of all sins, including adultery, even as he or she has been forgiven by God:

Matthew 18:32, 33 "Then his lord, after that he hath called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me: 33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow servant, even as I had pity on thee? Colossians 3:13 "Forbearing one

### another and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye."

The forgiveness a backslider receives from God restores him to the love and fellowship of God and restores to him his rights and privileges in Christ. Anyone who practices the word of God will forgive the wife or husband of all sins including adultery and restore him or her to marital love, fellowship, rights and privileges.

No. 3: Jesus showed that adultery is as evil as every other sin in the sight of God, damnable and forgivable. John 8:4, 5, 7, 10, 11 "They say unto Him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act. 5 Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest Thou? 7 So when they continued asking Him, He lifted up Himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. 10 When Jesus hath lifted up Himself, and saw none but the woman, He said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? 11 She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more."

Here we see that if adultery has the power to destroy life or lawfully terminate marriage, then every other sin can do the same, because all sins are equally damnable before God. Jesus forgave this woman of her adultery and cleansed her from her sin. Can any one condemn someone Christ has justified? Can any man or woman call unclean what God has cleansed? Can the husband of this woman reject her in marriage and be doing God a service?

No.4: Believers are instructed to remain bound in marriage to their unbelieving partners as long as the unbelieving partners desire to remain married to them.

1 Corinthians 7:12, 13

12 "But to the rest speak I, not the Lord: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.

13 And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him."

1 Peter 3:1, 2

1 "Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own

husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;

2 While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear."

The unbelieving marriage partner which the believer is instructed to condone with commits every kind of sin, including adultery certainly. By this the Holy Spirit is showing that no sin is strong enough to break the marriage bond. **No. 5:** God loves children and seeks to protect and save them; hence He hates divorce. Divorce does a lot of harm to the children born into the family.

#### 1 Corinthians 7:14

"For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy."

Malachi 2:14-16

14 "Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.

15 And did not He make one? Yet hath He the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That He might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

16 For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that He hateth putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously."

One may reason thus: "Will not God also seek to protect the children born to the unlawful marriage?" The God of mercy is also the God of truth. He will not lay aside His eternal truth to show any one mercy.

**No. 6:** Adultery in marriage does not separate the marriages of sinners around us in the world in which we live. Many of our

unbelieving neighbours forgive and condone with the adulteries of their marriage partners. Should sinners become more reasonable, forgiving, patient, enduring and loving that the saints? It is not too much for any believer to forgive the adultery committed by his or her marriage partner, because even sinners do the same! The Lord of the church has given us a righteousness not lower, but higher than that of sinners.

#### Matthew 5:46, 47

46 "For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans same?

47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so."

Matthew 5:20

## "For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven."

**No. 7:** The Lord has confirmed this truth to many of His servants that saw Him face to face in a divine encounter. Divorce and remarriage to another partner when the first lawful partner is alive is damnable in hell fire.

Hebrews 2:1-3 "Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip. 2 For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward; 3 How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard Him?"

# • <u>The Believer Must Remain Unmarried if the</u> <u>Unbelieving Partner Departs</u>

The Bible further instructs that if the unbelieving marriage partner decides to depart from the marriage, such one can go. The believer is guiltless of the separation. He or she should remain peaceful in Christ. 1 Corinthians 7:15 "But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or sister is not under bondage in such cases: but God hath called us to peace." Note that this scripture does not negate or nullify the instruction and command of the other scriptures. The two are still one flesh and the law of marriage states that neither of them should remarry as long as the marriage partner is still alive. The unbelieving partner or backslider who has departed can receive the conviction and salvation of the Lord at any time and reunite with the marriage spouse.

Luke 15:17, 18 "And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee."Philemon 15, 16 For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for ever.16 Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh and in the Lord?"

If the unbelieving partner does not return, let the believer remain alone and count it a blessing from God who makes all Page | 159 things work together for the good of the eternal souls of His dear children. His wisdom is at work and His grace will be sufficient in all ways.

1 Corinthians 7:7, 27, 32 "For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that. 27 Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife. 32 But I would have you without carefulness. He that is unmarried careth for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord." The Scripture warns that "Whosoever marrieth her that is put away from her husband committeth adultery."

Because of this warning, let every married man examine his marriage and be sure that he is not married to another man's wife and let every married woman examine her marriage and be sure that she is not married to another woman's husband. You may need to make detail investigation and seek counselling from scripturally sound ministers to ascertain your case. Questions like these may be helpful. Was your spouse married before?

Did the first marriage secure parental consent? Was it seen as marriage by the people in the society? Will you sincerely judge yourself married or on married, in the light of the Scripture? Much prayer, investigation and counselling will reveal the truth. Unlawful marriage union must be dissolved, for the purpose of eternal life. Those who are entering into the marriage union must investigate properly to ensure they are not entering into unlawful union.

# F. How to be Holy and Maintain the Holy Life

God demands holiness from His people because holiness is His nature. Every thing associated with Him is holy. His name is holy; His word is holy; His angels are holy; His abode, heaven, is holy; His saints are holy. When Satan and his angels came short of His holiness standard He drove them away from heaven and condemned them to everlasting fire.

#### Ezekiel 28:15, 18

15 "Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

18 Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee."

Heaven is eternally holy. Jesus came to this world to save men from sin and make them holy so they can be with him in his eternal dwelling place. The instruments God uses to make men holy are the blood of Jesus, the word of God, the Holy Spirit, the name of Jesus, and of course His holy ministers, who teach and lead men to holiness. The holy life is one that does not commit sin, that loves God wholeheartedly, loves fellow men sincerely and keeps God's commandments totally. Holiness begins at the salvation of the soul, deepens at sanctification of the heart and is established by personal discipline and diligence in keeping God's word. Hence the holy life requires the unified actions of both God and the believer. The believer submits himself to God to make him holy and diligently exercises himself to obey and practice the word of God. To obey God regularly requires faith in God and regular prayer for His grace.

Ezekiel 36:25-27"Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.

26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judgments, and do them."

Ephesians 5:25-27 "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it; 26 That He might sanctify and cleanse it by the washing of water by the word,

27 That He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." Hebrews 9:14 "How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?"

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

Psalm 51:5-7, 10 "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

6 Behold, thou desireth truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom. 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."

The above scriptures and several others show the promises of God to make you holy and the means He has provided to make you holy. God who makes you holy is able to preserve you in His holiness to the end of your life.

Jude 24, 25 "Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, 25 To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, and dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen." Pray earnestly through faith in Christ and receive a clean, pure and holy heart and life from God. Persist in prayer until you have the witness, assurance and evidence.

# • <u>Seven Things To do To Keep Your Holy Life To</u> <u>The End</u>

When God has cleansed, sanctified and filled you with His holiness, it will be required of you to employ the help of God and the means of grace to preserve yourself in His holiness. The scriptures show us how to keep ourselves in the holiness of God every day of our life. We must follow scriptural guidelines carefully so as not to lose God's holiness and the eternal life it gives.

**No. 1:** Study and meditate regularly on God's word and obey it promptly.

Psalm 119:9-11,60 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word. 10 With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wonder from thy commandments.11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. 60 I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments."

No. 2: Associate with holy people and learn the sound doctrines of God's word that will establish you in scriptural holiness. **Psalm 119:63 "I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts."** 

Malachi 4:16, 17 "Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before Him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon His name. 17 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up My jewels; and I will spare them as a man spareth his own son that serveth him." 2 Timothy 2:22 "Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart."

**No. 3:** Have a firm determination to keep yourself from all kinds of sins: in marriage, in the family, in the church, in the Christian ministry, in your business career, educational pursuit, workplace and everywhere.

Job 27:3-6 "All the while my breath is in me, and the spirit of God is in my nostrils;

4 My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter deceit. 5 God forbid that I should justify you: till I die I will not remove mine integrity from me. 6 My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: my heart shall not reproach me so long as I live."

Daniel 1:8 "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself."1 Thessalonians 2:10 "Ye are witnesses and God also, how holily and justly and unblameably we behaved ourselves among you that believe."

**No. 4:** Employ all means of grace to resist sin, Satan and the influence of the ungodly world in your life and bring your body under subjection so that you may win the crown of life.

Romans 6:12-14 "Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. 13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace."

1 Peter 5:8, 9 "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: 9 Whom resist steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world."

# 1 Corinthians 9:27 "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast away."

**No. 5:** Preach and teach holiness firmly and consistently. This will make your family, church and companions holy and serve as a means of strengthening and preserving you in the holy walk.

Psalm 40:8-11 "I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart. 9 I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O Lord, thou knowest. 10 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation." 11 Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O Lord: Let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me."

Genesis 18:18, 19 "Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? 19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him."

Colossians 1:28, 29 "Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus: 29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to His working, which worketh in me mightily." **No. 6:** Give more attention to holy living than to success and achievement in life. Make sure all your success and achievements are gotten in holiness, Be determined to forgo any gain in this life that would take holiness away from you and be prepared too to suffer any reproach or persecution that comes against you as a result of your holy life.

Matthew 16:24-26 "Then said Jesus unto His disciples, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. 25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for My sake shall find it. 26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

Philippians 3:7-9 "But what things were gain to me, those I counted

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