## GOD BEGETS HIS CHILDREN THROUGH THE GOSPEL

1st Lesson: Matthew 12:28 2nd Lesson: I Corinthians 4:15 Golden Text: I John 5:18

Brethren that text marks the commencement of this Pentecostal Assembly. You are aware that the children must first be fed before the servants. And it is always the tradition that the fellowship of the sons of the soil opens the Pentecostal. You know of a surety that some flies go to see the wound; others go to suck the wound. Our Lord Jesus Christ said not all those who call me Lord Lord will enter into the Kingdom of My Father but those who do the will of my Father will enter into the Kingdom of God. For they are not all Israelites who are true children of Israel: Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, children of the promise are counted for the seed.

## God Begets Us with His Words

It is so with the Gospel you are going to receive this night. When you hear of the term Father it does not refer to your carnal father. It is the Father who is greater than all fathers. And that is why Our Lord Jesus Christ said except ye be born again you cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. Except a man be born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. If you do not listen to the Gospel of God what will then qualify you as the child of God? Even if you are conceived by the virgin Mary that does not make you a child of God. It is only the Word of God that will make you a child of God and it is the Word of God that I use in begetting you.

#### Suppress Evil Spirit with the Holy Spirit

It is impossible that you can use an evil spirit to drive away evil spirit from somebody. You cannot use an evil thing to extract evil from somebody. It is the Holy Spirit and the Word of God that can be used in casting out evil spirit from your body and the Holy Spirit takes dominion over you. And that is why Our Lord Jesus Christ has said: you are clean through the words that I have spoken unto you. You have not been called to come and eat bread or to drink or to dance but you are called to come and receive the Words of God. The dry-fasting we undertook was to prepare us for the Word of God which would be preached unto us during this Assembly.

## Put New Wine in New Bottle

Because you cannot put new wine in an old bottle otherwise the bottle will break and the wine will spill off. If you have completely filled a bottle with water, it will be impossible for you to add any more quantity of water inside it because the bottle is already filled. And that is why each time we come inhere, we must actually empty the old wine and allow the bottle to remain empty. This work is the revival of the Spirit. You are regenerated and recreated. All the evil spirits which did not allow you to operate all these years will be driven away that you may receive the words of God and live by them.

## God Sympathises with the Blacks

You can see how merciful God is with the Black man. And you see how God is merciful to the poor. He is so pitiful to the orphans, the blind and the lame. See how God is sympathetic with the afflicted, with those in tribulation and all those who suffer. A spiritual chorus says the afflicted should weep no more because the Saviour is not on the way; He is already here with us. God knows that if He had started His operation in the white man's country then the black man would have perished. If this work were to start with the whites how many of you here would be there? Not very long from now you will see the whites flying in aeroplanes and landing here. And the cost means nothing to them. That is why God has chosen to begin this work with the poor blacks.

## Those who were not His People are now His Beloved

Notice that some of you have been here for the past twenty years but your twenty years are of no effect to you. If a white man comes in here for one day, he will assimilate and begin to practise all that He has learnt. But your twenty years have not done any good thing to you. One thing is sure: God has never forgotten His promise. As it was written in Hosea "those who wre not my people shall be called my people and she that was not loved shall be called my beloved." The white man has no regard for the black man. The other coloured people have no regard for the black man. Not to talk about Africa, not to talk about Nigeria. You would not even mention the Cross River State but today God has looked kindly on you and he has salvaged you from your ruin into His great glory.

We are all begotten of God by His Words:

How many people now realise that they are the children of God? Up till today you are still claiming that you are human. Have you heard what the first lesson has told you? He says I use the Holy Spirit an drive away the evil spirit from you and then you become the children of God. I have used the Word of God to beget all of you sitting down here as the real children of God. There is no other thing which can be used in begetting you apart from the Word of God. What qualifies you as a son is the Word of God which dwells richly in you. What makes Him the Father is that He uses the Word to beget you. It is a thing of great joy for all the inhabitants of the world to come to the realisation that we are all the children of God. We are not adopted children but the true sons of God. There is no other medium through which a man can be begotten with the image and likeness of God except that God has to beget such a person.

#### The New Covenant:

And that is why it should be very expedient for all the children of God to come in here to accept Him. It is a great fortune for all of you here, not to you alone but to the entire mankind. Becuase He has said this is the New Covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord.'I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people. And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest. For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more." Are these Words not made manifest within you today?

All of you sitting down here and all the inhabitants of the world, I use the Word of God to beget you. As you enslaved yourself to sin from now on you must enslave yourself to the Holy Spirit. Realise that these Words have been fulfilled in you: the Kingdom of this world have become the Kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ. It is not such a thing that you should begin to ask if you are the child of God. You are the child of God because God dwells in you. It does not serve any useful purpose to gaze at the sky and say until Jesus Christ come again. He says I use the Holy Spirit of God to beget you and you become the children of God.

Without the Holy Spirit what is capable of driving out lying greed, death, sickness and every haphazard spirit from your body? The first lesson will now be read.

#### 1st Lesson: Matthew 12:28

"But if I cast out devils by the spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you."

Brethren, can you observe the hidden things of this Kingdom of God? It is no other thing which is used in begetting you apart from the Word of God. It is not because of works, it is not that you are worthy or that you are righteous but it is because you are begotten as a child of God. When people argue that there is something underneath Brotherhood, you begin to argue that there is nothing. I want to confirm the fact that there is something underneath.

## Reveal the Glory of God:

When they ask you why do you call upon the Father; why should you not call upon the Father? Right now you know the Father because it is the Father who begets you. It is because of the Spirit with which you are endowed that you become the real children of God. And that is why this Fellowship is referred to as the fellowship of the children of God. Our Lord Jesus Christ is the Chairman, of the Fellowship. Our Lord Jesus Christ is the Chairman because He is the first born. No matter how numerous you may be He is the person through whom you are begotten. And so we all are the children of the same Father. We should therefore reveal His own glory throughout the four corners of the world.

It does not matter whether you are born in Egypt or Israel or in Africa. Because there is no other element with which you are begotten apart from the Word of God. Can you see the wisdom which deluded Nicodemus, when Our Lord Jesus Christ told him except you be born again you cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. The statement so outwitted him that he started asking Our Lord Jesus Christ how can a man as old as himself re-enter into the womb of his mother and be born again. And Our Lord Jesus Christ told him verily, verily, I say unto you except a man be born of the water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God."

#### Love The Word of God

\*If you have not received the Holy Spirit and if you do not listen to the Gospel of God what makes you a child of God? Can you not realise that the most significant thing is for all of us to come in here and listen to the Word and assimilate and practise this Word because you are begotten through this Word. Prayer alone cannot take you into the Kingdom of God. Songs alone cannot take you into the Kingdom. Extracting of charms cannot take you into this

Kingdom. Preparing feast and serving to all the people sitting down here alone cannot take you into the Kingdom of God. You do not realise that it is the Word of God that you despise that can take you into the Kingdom of God. It does not cost you a kobo and it is not because of your righteousness or educational attainment, or wealth or beauty but it is the Word of God alone that is used in begetting you into the family of God. We should, therefore, give due respect to the Word of God. We should reverence the Word of God. We should be obedient unto the Word of God. We should rejoice at the Word of God. We should love the Word of God more than anything else. We should completely subjugate ourselves to the Word of God because without the Word of God, we would not be cleansed and we would not have been anything before God.

## You Will Have Life if The Word Dwells in You

V/hen people are preaching the Word of God to you, you say take it away; I do not want to listen to it. If you do not want to listen to the Word of God what makes you a child of God? Song is an old thing, Dances are old. Visions and extracting of charms and all other things are old but the Word of God is always new. There is nothing that can take you into this Kingdom except the Word of God. He says take everything that I have but give me the Word of God. When the Word of God dwells in my heart I will have life. Let the Words of God dwell in you richly.

## Man's Constituency Is The Word

Do you realise that it is these Gospels that I use in begetting you? No person can boast of doing one thing or the other before he entered into the Kingdom of God. It is this Word that I use in begetting you. Now you are no more a citizen of Nigeria, or of Africa; you are no more a human being. All of you are the children of God. Your problem is that you continue to confess that you are a man, you are from Nigeria you are an Ibo or an African, this is not true. And that is why Our Lord Jesus Christ has said "Man know thyself and thou shalt know everything." Have the people of the world not claimed that they know Our Lord Jesus Christ that the mother is Mary and the Father is Joseph? And Our Lord Jesus Christ exclaimed, look at a wonderful thing! He that is sent by God: do you say you know him?

## Love The Brotherhood

And He says if I claim that I do not know the one who sent me there is no truth in me. Eventhough every person said he was the son of Joseph, he exphatically claimed that he came from God and that He is the Son of God. And that is why he said whoever is ashamed of me on earth, I also will be ashamed of him in heaven before my Father and before the Holy Angels. All of you sitting down here are not prophets, you are not apostles, you are not pastors, you are not elders, you are the Christs. The reason is that the Word of God is used in begetting you. Therefore, you have all the rights as the sons of the soil. You are now with the Father; the Father lives in you and you live in the Father.

#### God Is Our Father

The Father has specifically used this Gospel in opening this Pentecostal Assembly so that most of you who claim you come from Nigeria, or from Oron or you are an Ibo or a Yoruba or an Englishman; you should realise that you are not what you claim to be but you are the child of God. You have erred to refer to any person as your Father. Or to say that somebody has begotten you. May God forgive you. God is your Father. You are no more of this world. The word of God is used in begetting you and you therefore become the children of God forever and ever. Right now you are all spiritually minded and you are all serving God. And all that belongs to the Father belongs to you and what you have, belongs to the Father.

#### Man Know Yourself

You have no share in things worldly but you have share in things heavenly. Your problem is that you do not know that you have been adopted from the family of man into the family of God. But as it is now you are like eagles, the prince of all the birds but you stoop down to peak seeds with ordinary fowls. Right now no sin has dominion over you. Falsehood has no place in you; theft or any other sin has no place in your body. Preparations of concoctions, all forms of diabology, death and hades have no more dominion over you. Because I use the Holy Spirit to beget you and you then become the Holy Spirit. I do not use trees, or rocks or any other thing to beget you but I use the Word of God, word of the Holy Spirit to beget you and you become the Holy Spirit.

# The Spirit Which Olumba Puts In Us Teaches Us to do What Is Good

And that is why we have a spiritual chorus which says the spirit which Olumba infuses in us teaches us to do that which is good in the Sight of God. Right now you are sitting, you have no thought of yourself. You are always thinking about how you will serve God properly. All of you sitting down here, you are no more sitting on earth but in heaven. All of you sitting down here, you are no more human beings but you are Holy Spirits. And that is why people

argue that there is something in your body and you begin to argue that there is nothing. And I want to ask you if the Holy Spirit does not dwell in you.

Are the languages you speak those of human beings? What you are seeing now, can any other person see? What you are doing now is any other person capable of doing it? What you are hearing can any other person hear? Is this not enough indication that you are no more on earth. Our Lord Jesus Christ said "I go to prepare a place for you. After preparing, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself: that where I am, there ye may be also."Do you think He went to bring an aeroplane? Or do you think that He went to bring a ladder that you can climb up with Him. I employ the Word of God to eixelate you.

You have heard another spiritual song which says my children come and rejoice with me. It is the Word of God that I use in begetting you. You are more fortunate than any other generations.

#### 2nd Lesson: I Corinthians 4:15

"For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers; For in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the Gospel."

Can you realise the recondite wisdom of God found in what is read to you? But how many of you are aware of this wisdom? You are carrying the carcase of an elephant on your head but you are fiddling with your legs in search of snails. You claim that you are going to visit your father. What is the name of that your father? You contend that you are paying a visit to your homeland. What is the name of your homeland? Does it follow that till today you are ignorant that you are in heaven, and that you are in the Kingdom of God? It is said, "For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers: for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the Gospel." No matter how many persons you refer to as your father, your grandfather; your uncle; there is only one Father. You have only one father.

Right from that day you accepted me, peace has been restored unto you. Now, you always refer to the word 'Father' because I use the Holy Spirit to send off the evil spirits in you. Subsequently, you have changed into a child of the Father.

## Only The Holy Spirit Can Reveal The Father and the Son

Unless the Holy Spirit begets you, no person will know what is called the Father or the Son. Go and tell somebody that the Father

has sent you to him, he will ask whether your father knows him and what is his name. But go to somebody who has been begotten by the Spirit of God. Immediately you mention that the father sent you to him, he will fall on his face because he knows the father and the father know him also. From that day he received the Holy Spirit, he knows that there is but one father and we are all brethren.

# Children of God Separated from the World

No person amongst us lives unto himself. The Holy Spirit has assumed dominion over all of us. As you are sitting there, you are empty. It is only the Holy Spirit that is reigning suprame. You have no iota association with the things of this world because you are no longer of the world but in heaven. Heaven is the Spirit. And this spirit is neither a tree nor fish nor animal but it refers to you sitting down there. Thus, it is incumbent on you to lend ears to him. That Scriptural passage is made manifest on you, which says, "And as we have borne the image of the earthly, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly." That is why, wherever you go to, the moment you declare that you are a Brotherhood the people there will be amazed. You will become a wonderful being before them. You are very precious. You provide to them something very spectacular because no person knows where you come from

## Our Kingdom Is Not Of This World

A person who is born of the spirit does not know where he comes from and where he is heading to. That is why Our Lord Jesus Christ told Pilate "My Kingdom is not of this world; if my Kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my Kingdom not from hence." You must know that your own kingdom is not of this world. Remember the parable of Our Lord Jesus Christ saying, "A certain man made a great supper, and bade many: And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, come; for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. So that servant came, and shewed his Lord these things. Then the master of the house became angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the Lord said

unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, that none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper."

#### Those Who Will Not Come Into Brotherhood

Who are those mentioned here who will not taste of the supper? They are the rulers of this world, the millionaires, those who are weathy, those who indulge in diabology and who are rich in the things of this world. Do not doubt when a governor argues that he cannot come into Brotherhood. Of a truth he cannot come because he is not one of us. When you come by any millionaire who argues that he cannot come to Brotherhood because he will not be able to remove his shoes, have patience with him because he is not one of us. When God will call him, he will surely come The worldly person looks at man on his facial appearance but God looks at a man's heart. This Kingdom is not meant for thieves and robbers, fornicators, dupers, necromancers and persons who engage in the preparation of concoctions. Rather, it is reserved for those people who surrender themselves unto God.

## The King Is For The Poor

It is against this base that Our Lord Jesus Christ said, "Verily. verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God." Now if you go to somebody's house to preach the good tidings of this Kingdom to him, he will tell you to leave his house. He will argue that he has been baptized and that he is a communicant and that he has no need for the Word of God. Tell me what will take him into the Kingdom of God. That was why Our Lord Jesus Christ said, "Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? And then he will spoil his house." Who is the person who enjoys good health who will want to lend ears to the Word of God? Or who is the rich person who will listen to the Word of God? Who is so elevated in position like a governor or a president and he will love to listen to the Word or God? You will then realise that this Kingdom belongs to the poor.

## What Is The Wilderness?

Right now if you visit the hospitals where the governors presidents, men of high stations in life are receiving treatment they will readily listen to any Word of God preached to them Hitherto, these persons would never give ear to the Word of God But with their sick position, they are bound to accept the word of God. Go to the Kiri-kiri Maximum Security-Prison and other prison

where the ex-governors as well as other big men of the society are serving jail terms, you will see how they readily accept the word of God preached to them. If you tell them to forsake sin, they are quite ready to do so, the word of God will then be used to beget them. You will remember that spiritual song which says, "I go forward and see Olumba" did not come from here but the prison custody. Other songs are surfacing from other custodies. All such detainees are in the 'wilderness' When you hear that Our Lord Jesus Christ was led into the wilderness, this is that wilderness I have repeatedly said that they are not in detention. You are a lucky generation because you have gone into the wilderness and the word of God has been used to beget you. Now you are real children of God.

## Only The Children of God Can do What is Good

When you are filled with food, you cannot listen to the word of God. When the preaching is going on, you are fast asleep. There is no other thing that qualifies you as a child of God than the word of God. There is nothing that can protect you except the word of God. And there is nothing which can do that which is good in the sight of God except the word of God. If you are not a child of God, it will be impossible for you to do any good thing. As the children of God, it will not be possible for you to do that which is evil. Whoever professes that God begets him but he is neck-deep in telling lies, such a person is deceitful to himself because God Himself does not tell lies. The Holy Spirit is love, truth, mercy, patience, peace, meekness, joy and all the virtues of God. These are the virtues used to beget you and this is the image of God dwelling in you. That is why it is said that "whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not." It is against this background that I tell you that you are the children of the Living God.

Let our golden text be read.

#### Golden Text:

I John 5:18

"We know that whosoever is born of God seeketh not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one touched him not.

#### Whoever Commits Sins Is Not A Child Of God

Let nobody deceive you because any person who commits sins is not a child of God. Those who are swimming in the murky waters of sinfulness neither know God nor see Him. What makes us known as the children of God is that God has begotten us and

"whosoever is born of God sinneth not, but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not."

When you meet somebody complaining that he is being bewitched, leave him alone because he is not a child of God. When a person argues that he has so many temptations in his life path and that you should pray for him, get such a person off your way because he is a child of satan. When you find a woman who confesses that it is because of her husband's failure to cater for ner that forces her to prostitute about, depart from her, for she is the daughter of satan. When you come by a man who confesses that it is due to the bad behavioural pattern of his wife that causes him to fall in love with another woman, leave him alone because he is the son of satan.

## If You Profess To Be Christs You Should Not Sin

You have heard the golden text read to you that we are the children of God and whosoever is born of God does not commit sin. I use the word of God to beget you. Thus, you'are the children of God. All of you have accepted that you are Christs. The poser then is, Has Christ ever committed any act of sin? The stone is relatively cheap to purchase but what about the consideration of carrying it home. Can you realise where I have taken you to with this gospel? You have now reached your wit's end. You cannot retrace your steps under the foliage of being a human being because all of you have accepted that you are the Christs of God. The truth remains then that Christ does not commit sin. It is said that all those begotten of God do not sin. Why then do you claim to be a child of God but you are still given to telling lies? Why do you accept to be a child of God but you are still stealing? Why do you commit fornication? Does it follows then that Our Lord Jesus Christ is a fornicator? Why do you complain of facing great tribulations? Is a man of God beset with afflictions?

## Do Not Impute Sin Upon Any Person

It is said, "We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not, but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one touched him not." You can walk on the top of water, inside fire or into any place without any harm. You always sit down here to report yourselves as children of satan. You contend that the other person did one thing or the other against you, that he be witched you in the night, that he hates you. How did you determine these? You argue that a certain person was an evil doer. How did you come to know his evil ways? You complain that somebody has no love. How do you know that the person has no love? That is the work of satan. The children of God do not allow evil communications to proceed out of their mouth. They neither see any evil thing nor hear evil utterances.

## The Children Of God Are Protected By The Son Of God

They do only that which is good and the evil one does not see them. They have no common lines with evil things. They are the children of the Kingdom of God. Keep your eyes open to observe this truth. A great many people bear witnesses that the children of God do not commit sin, "but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one touched him not." That is the reason I tell somebody that there is a person in this world who does not take tablets, injections and yet he is bubbling with life, there is bound to be heated disagreements over it. They will argue that it is not true.

#### What is in Brotherhood?

Besides, for somebody to attest that there is something in Brotherhood but you argue that there is nothing in it, can you not realise that he that is begotten of God keepeth himself? Have you not realised that mighty protection of God over you? When you are going about sorrowing and lamenting in the world, how did you find yourself? Today, you are enjoying happiness and joy of God. But when a person tells you that there is something in Brotherhood, you argue that there is nothing.

## The Supreme Power

If it is true that there is nothing underlying Brotherhood, why do you move about boldly? This stand by you is what scares people from coming into Brotherhood. For they conclude that you are not men of truth. Hitherto, you went with him to consult nercromancers. But suddenly, mere saying 'let' all sicknesses were gone. When that person contends that there is something underlying Brotherhood, yet you throw his contention to the dogs. What account then for the new found power in you?

You who never had mercy on people, you now show mercy unto all persons. You were always given to telling lies but now you stand only for that which is the truth. With this turn of events, when you are asked to mention the secret in Brotherhood, you maintain that such a thing is a mirage. If your stand holds water, why do you now tell the truth? Why do you show the expression of mercy?

## Reveal Your Sonship Of God To The World

Can you realise your indebtedness to the inhabitants of the world? You have killed an elephant but the issue of bringing the carcass to the road is your problem now. The word of God is used

to beget you. You are the children of God. But the problem facing you today is how to unfold this truth to reveal the sonship of God to the world. You will be asked why you go bare foot. But you will not be opportuned to put the truth about it to that person. That is the reason Brotherhood has advanced in the witheman's land than here. But there, you do not answer questions put to you. You come here with your mats to sleep. You do not even read the Brotherhood publications. You will come here to sleep and partake in the love feast. There after you go home without lending ears to what is preached to you. You fail to read the numerous publications here. This place is called Christ Universal Spiritual School of Practical Christianity. It is open to all the people of the world to receive the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ. For if you fail to receive such teachings, you will not have the knowledge of the truth.

## The Son of Man Protects Us

When you are asked why you do not drink any longer, your answer should be that you are a child of God. For the children of God do not drink. Another will ask why you do not visit hospital any longer, you should answer him that you are a child of God, that Christ is the one protecting you. And therefore you have no problem. Why do you not revenge when a person wrongs you? Tell the person that you are a child of God and that you have no dealings with anything evil. Quote this passage of the Holy Bible that person. Somebody plans to harm you but meets with utter failure. And you are asked what happened, tell that person that Christ protects you because you are a child of God. Now if sumeroay demands that you say what is the bedrock of the secret in Brotherhood, you will swear to an oath that there is nothing inside it. If there is nothing in Brotherhood, why are you going about freely. You are a pregnant woman and when you are asked who impregnated you, you contend that nobody has done so. Does it then follow that you had the pregnacy from the air? Can you deceive people in that manner?

If it is not man who impregnated you, then it is the Holy Spirit. Tell the truth of how you got the pregnacy. For you to contend that you are ignorant of how the pregnacy came to you is baseless. Hitherto, you could not preach the word of God, you could not offer prayers, you could not sing, you were always shy, you were leading an irresponsible way of life. But today, you are well-founded in those lines. But when you are to explain the intricacies here you argue that you are unaware of such realities at the moment. Do you want us to be damned in doubt? Since God created man, the work done by the Holy Spirit today has never

been known Because Our Lord Jesus Christ has said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone, but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." Can you not realise the multiplicity of Christ throughout the world today?

## The Christ Is Already Here, Gaze Not In The Sky

One of our brothers here has said that if the people of the world were to realise the glory inherent in this kingdom, they would not have waited for the coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ. What is He coming to do? Now the dead is made to rise, the lame walk, the blind see, the deaf hear, and other marvellous miracles. For what would the world wait —: if they had realised this truth?

He is here and is doing His work. If a person is sick here, you tell him to fall on his face, confess his sins and you offer prayers over him and he is well. What is the need for him to look for a medical doctor? For He is the one doing this healing. If a medical doctor is preparing his theatre ready for a surgical operation on a patient but before the patient moves into the theatre, you have already said 'let' and he fully recovers from his sickness, what is the need for the preparation to operate on him? If a patient is taken to a doctor who prescribes certain drugs to be bought, mentions the fee to be paid, but you say 'let' and that patient recovers, what is the need for all those conditions?

#### **Testify About The Greatness Of God**

Brethren, you have failed to go out and testify of the great works done by God here. This is what has eluded a great many of you in this kingdom. Many of you who have testified in the Herald of the New Kingdom, for instance, do so after much persuasions on my part. There is one person who had an accident here. When he came the first day, he promised to give the full testimony. But until today, he is yet to do so. I am still waiting for it.

Remember that man who dwelt among the tombs. Our Lord Jesus Christ asked him, "What is thy name?" And he answered, saying, My name is Legion, for we are many," He said to Our Lord Jesus Christ, "What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou son of the most high God? I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not." He continued, "Send us to the swine, that we may enter into them. And, forth-with, Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine; and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and were choked in the sea."

#### Glorify God In Your Testimonies

When the owners of the city came, they began to pray him to depart out of their coasts. And when he was come into the ship he that had been possessed with the devil prayed him that he might be with him. Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him. "Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath compassion on thee". And he departed, and began to publish in Decapolis what great things Jesus had done for him: and all men did marvel. And when Jesus had passed over again by ship unto the other side, many people gathered unto him.

That is why Paul said that whether the brethren wanted him to give them another letter. Though they were his witnesses there is no need to seek for recommendations to go out and do anything. Rather, you are to go everywhere testifying about the glory of this kingdom, of what God has done for you from day to day. You are to intimate people about this truth. Preaching the Bible is secondary because you cannot preach.

#### Practice is Better Than Precept

Theoretically, if you carry the Bible that you are going to preach to people, somebody will bring his heap of certificates and will demand for your own. He does this not vithstanding that he is stealing, fornicating and committing other acts of sin. But you have a certificate that is not written on paper. You will show yourself to them that you were hitherto blind but today you can see. What other statement will that person have? You show another person who was lame but whom Our Lord Jesus Christ made to walk. What will the governor, the president argue about?

You continue to testify of a person who dies for three days but our Lord Jesus Christ made him rise. Only prayers were offered and he rose from the death. What will the government or any person argue about? What will the necromancer contend about in this matter?

#### The Holy Spirit Witnessed For The Christ

As children of God, that is the assignment you have to accomplish. You are to testify about the glory of the kingdom of God. Each and everyone of you must do so. But you have refused to deliver the goods. Rather, you continue to maintain sealed lips over giving testimonies. You dissipate your energy in requesting for prayers to take away your hardship. Every day, you complain of the travails you are facing in Brotherhood, that since you came into Brotherhood all your money is gone, that your brothers and sisters have desserted you. Is that all that you can say? Have you

testified about the great things God has performed in your life? Have you testified about the many things you see here which are not read in any book? Our Lord Jesus Christ had said that the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, is His witness. In the same vein, you are my witnesses because you have been with me from the foundations of the world. You have heard and read about the miracles performed by Our Lord Jesus Christ, how He made the dead to rise but none of you in this generation witnessed them. There is no person today who saw such miracles being performed. His witnesses are not living today.

## Seek First The Holy Spirit

But you are crown witnesses of the mighty works performed here today. You have seen how the dead is made to rise, the lame to walk, the blind to see. Therefore, you are crown witnesses. As Our Lord Jesus had said that one greater than the queen of Sheba is in their midst, can you not realise that somebody greater than the entire world is now on earth? Brethren, as children of God, your duty is to go forth and proclaim the glory of God. It is not for you to sit back to weep, lament seeing how somebody is indulging in witchery, see ghosts, see how a person is wallowing in abject poverty, to go about cap in hand. You must go out and preach about the glory of God to the entire world. The Scripture says, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you". If you go out to testify about the good works done by God in this kingdom, He will add everything unto you.

Brethren, as the children of God, you should not be given to weaping, lamentation, hatred, nor should you be committing any act of sin because "he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one touched him not." We are not the ones keeping ourselves. We do not drink, take injections, seek protection in any form of diabology, drink concoction prepared from the bark of trees, This is so because the son of God keepeth watch over us wherever we go to and the wicked one cannot touch us. He is the one Who dwells in us. And the one who abides in us has taught us the knowledge of all things.

Brethren, it is said one stroke of the cane is sufficient unto the wise. I will not be tedious unto you. Those who have ears let them hear. May God bless His Holy Words, *Amen*.

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