



PART ONE

1st Lesson : Revelation 7 : 17 2nd Lesson : John 16 : 14 Golden Text : John 18 : 36

Brethren, today is the Gospel read to you fulfilled in your ears. When you listen to the lessons, they sound in your ears like parables or fairly tales and very far from being understood or very strange and unintelligible language, but today the lessons are being fulfilled in your ears.

The Instrument Of Reign Is Power In The World And Love In The Kingdom:

The kingdom of this world is quite different from the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ that I am going to reveal to the entire world. The government of the world uses power, intimidation, torture, querrelling and fighting to compel complete obedience from the citizens. A father uses power, threat, corporal punishment and starvation to compel his children to submit to him. A wife and husband use quarrelling and fighting, threat and intimidation and power to compel obedience from one another. But the government of our Lord Jesus Christ is not administered in that way. It is love that is used in administering. He uses truth, humility, patience, righteousness, and meekness to rule. This, therefore, is virtually the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is to say that you should be prepared at all times to do good and practice the word of God. You should devote your time in the service of God and in doing good to your fellow man. You should have no association nor concern yourself with anything, whether people manhandle you, or hate or love you. Whoever wants to remain, encourage him to remain and whoever wants to withdraw, he can withdraw because there is no problem in the kingdom of God.

The Best And Most Stable Kingdom

You will notice that the reign of our Lord Jesus Christ is the best. It was for this kingdom that all the disciples died. When they were persecuted, hated, imprisoned, beheaded, burnt at stake, they neither defended themselves nor resisted the powers that be. Inspite of our claims for the revelation and publication of the 'First Step to God,' 'The Second step to God and 'Third Step to God,' what I am going to reveal to you in this Gospel is the actual kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ. This revelation should be published into a pamphlet titled ''The Kingdom of God'' This era is witnessing the reign of our Lord Jesus Christ. The theme of the Bible to be written will be the 'Reign of Christ.'

This is to indicate to you that at the time of the Apostles there were weapons of war like the gun, the sword, the spear, staves, but the disciples did not use any of the weapons to fight against those who persecuted, imprisoned and killed them because they were operating under the supreme reign of our Lord Jesus Christ.

From the beginning of the world men like Abraham, David, Moses and many others had been attempting to develop this doctrine but none of them could do it. The more you endeavour to live peaceably with all men, the more the people of the world will seek to behead you, or kill, or imprison or torture you. Once you profess to be a man of God all forms of temptations will beset you and people will fight against you inorder to quench or at best to diminish the glory of God. Somebody may obtain money from you, and will not refund it again. Another person wants a house to live in and you rent your house to him, but he refuses paying rent, if you ask him, he will curse you and beat you up. As a result of these state of affairs you are compelled to adopt the law of retaliation, 'an eye for an eye' because you are exhausted for your patience.

Free Services.

In the reign of our Lord Jesus Christ no person charges for any services rendered, nor gives precondition for rendering services. All services are rendered gratis and with love any form of gratification. When you render the service, whether the man you are serving appreciates what you are doing or not, whether he thanks you for it or not, you should not bother vouself at all. This, indeed, is the essence of, being under grace. Since you are under grace, if any person comes to ask your daughter's hand in marriage, you have to give her out without receiving any bride price. Your daughter is taken by the man free of charge. If your son-in-law knows that we are in the reign of our Lord Jesus Christ, he will reciprocate your good gesture. If he has a motor car, he will give it to you, builds a storey building for you and do many other things for you. That is the condition in the kingdom of God in which our Lord Jesus Christ reigns.

In this New Kingdom also, you do not need to be told to render any service, whether to sweep the floor, or fetch water. In the morning you know that the floor should be swept, and so you take your broom and sweep, another person will fetch water, and yet another person will cook and another will wash clothes. If you do not employ yourself in doing anything, no person asks why you have not done it or why you have done it.

Kingdom Based On Truth

Whatever we do in the kingdom, we have to apply the virtues of peace, truth and love in our lives. You do not have to constitute yourself into a stumbling block to any person be you a man or a woman. You should not be truthful to somebody that he should believe in you, you do not tell the truth that you should be loved but you are truthful to another because truth is one of the attributes of this kingdom of God, and truth is also the glory of God. To remain under the reign of our Lord Jesus Christ means that you have to be truthful.

Kingdom Based On Love

You do not love any person so that he may reciprocate that love, or that he may give you money, but you love him because love is the kingdom of God, and since you are under the reign of our Lord Jesus Christ in this kingdom, you have to love inorder to maintain that attribute. Love, which invariably, is the kingdom, is now being revealed in this final era.

Kingdom Based On Humility

In this reign of our Lord Jesus Christ, every person must humble himself. Humility is a very important condition in the kingdom. Whatever is your disposition in life, whether you are a child, an adult or an old man, whether you are a man or a woman, whether you are rich or poor, educated or illiterate, you have to humble yourself. This, in effect, is the glory of God, which is neither the glory of the world nor the glory of man.

Kingdom Based On Patience

In this New Kingdom also, it is incumbent upon every person to possess the virtue of patience. Patience works experience. You do not have to quarrel and fight, bite and devour one another but you have to exercise patience always towards the other man. Nothing is done in a disorderly and confused manner, neither should any person be exasperated against another person, nor to beat him up or oppress him. That is not the order in this Kingdom because God is not the author of confusion.

All those who lack these attributes or qualities have no share in the kingdom, and they are in another country which is not of God. For in the kingdom of God every person has to be humble, truthful, loving, patient, meek and lowly in heart; you do not send out any person on an errand and cow him inorder to demand obedience from him. There is no form of exasperation in this kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. Pompousity and arrogance are not required in this kingdom of Christ, for every person lives by the word of God. You would remember when our Lord Jesus Christ fed five thousand people with five loaves of bread and two fishes till they were filled and there was taken up of fragments that remained to them twelve baskets and He strictly warned that they should not allow any fragment to remain unpicked. What do you understand by this statement? It signifies that all Gospels of God must be practised, not even the slightest word of God should be left unpractised. for this is one of the standing principles in the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Tradition Of The Kingdom

The Gospel has advised that you should not resist an evil doer. The children of this kingdom are definitely aware that it is not expedient to resist an evil doer. They are accustomed to this principle and practice and so no matter what offence somebody has committed against them, they should not resist him, it is an inborn tendency in them. You are also advised not to hate any person. All the injunctions given are the behaviours, the attributes of this kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is through abiding by the injunctions that you see the manifestation of the glory of God. If you are a child in this kingdom, you do not need to pass an order to any person to stand up or to sit down or to do anything. Every child of this kingdom knows what to do at any time. Every person should be directed by his spirit to do something. In this kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, there is only joy, no quarrelling, you live by observation because it is the word of God which directs.

You have heard what has been said by Him, that He will lead unto the living fountains of waters and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes. The doctrines delivered to you are meant to lead you to the accurate wisdom of the truth. This kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ is love, peace and truth, no person struggles for anything, no person possesses or claims anything as his bonafide property, no person claims another person to be his wife or child or relation, no person asks any question; there is no quarrelling, no fighting and no differentiation of persons.

They Went Out From Us Because They Were Not Ours You will observe that all the words of God. predictions and prophecies nominated in the Holy Scriptures will become consummate in this kingdom and you will testify about the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. That is why it is said that no person can do anything by his own volition except it is given him from above. This kingdom cannot be revealed by any other person except by the Father. And the Father has revealed the kingdom by the words of the scriptures that the lamb who is in the midst of the throne shall cover you with His Mighty wings. He will feed you and will lead you unto the living fountains of waters and God shall wipe away all tears from your eyes. All the words of the scriptures are fulfilled. This lends credence to the statement that 'They went out from us, but they were not of us, for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us, but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us."

[•] People will come into this kingdom because of food or sickness or money or children or for one reason or the other. Since they had their hopes on these things, they will withdraw because they do not possess the virtues of love. patience, humility, truth and faith and it was not written about them. If the Father does not give you the ability you cannot practise these Gospels. This is the end of time and all the Gospels from Genesis have now been summarized for you and it is incumbent upon you to practise them without exempting yourself from practising some. Do not tell lies in this kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, falsehood is not admitted, anger, quarrelling, fighting and craftiness are not required also. If any person withdraws from here, it should not bother you to ask him where he goes to. He has withdrawn because he is not one of us. Do not disturb your mind about his withdrawal because he can go anywhere. It will be irregular to go and plead with him to come back or to ask him why he has withdrawn. There is no need pleading with him because he cannot be here, his name is not in the lamb's book of life and he is not one of us. But you should rather love him, tell him the truth, be humble and patient with him, since he is not one of us he will not be able to fit himself into the kingdom.

Judge No Man God is The Only Judge

In this kingdom no person judges the other. How will you judge one who does not practise the Gospel of God? He has been advised not to be angry, not to find fault and impute sins on others and because he has indulged in these sins, he is found wanting and has no share in the kingdom of God, if because of his inability he opts to go away then allow him to take leave.

There is no other kingdom which can be compared with this kingdom of ours which is the kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ. And this marks the end to all kingdoms as He has said "He shall glorify me for He shall receive of mine and show it unto you. All what our Lord Jesus Christ preached and died, and our prayer is that He should allow the kingdom of God to come. The kingdom has now come because He has revealed His love, His glory, His patience, His truth, His mercy His joy and His righteousness. A great many people take exception to the instruction that we should not beat and rough-handle our children and wives. They feel children are wayward and recalcitrant and without beating them they cannot be corrected. In this kingdom no person should be flogged. You should not impose corporal punishment on your child no matter what he does, a child should be left to choose between obedience and disobedience.

Love All Including Your Enemies

This is the kingdom of God and not the kingdom of Moses in which was preached the Gospel of retaliation, 'an eye for an eye.' Revenge was the order of the day. But in this kingdom every person should live according to the culture of the kingdom. There is no fastidiousness, no regrets, no denials, you must not add or subtract. That is the kingdom you have been praying for. In it you do not have to resist an evil-doer, if sombody ask for anything do not fail to give him and you should love every person including your enemies. You do not have to show any expression of exasperation. No action of your fellow man should prompt you to be angry, it is only love and joy.

That is why a great many people withdraw from Brotherhood after watching what is obtaining in there and are convinced that they are unfit and incapable of practising the Gospel, in that community. They withdraw because they are not ours. If you are not one of us you will take leave of us and no person will inquire from you where you are going to because it is revealed that this kingdom does not belong to you and you have no share in it. But no person is expelled from here. No person offers money or bribery to plead with you to come into Brotherhood. Such offers are made in the kingdoms of the world as sort of inducements for people to remain in them.

No person tells you the truth so that you can be truthful to him. No person loves you so that you may reciprocate the love, but you express these because they are the attributes of the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ which was promised.

God's Virtue Is The Culture Of The Kingdom of Christ

As you are aware, there are as different languages as there are different countries. The different ethnic groups have their different customs, traditions, cultures and behaviours. The tradition and culture of the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ consist in love, truth, mercy, righteousness, meekness, humility, honesty and self-control. Wherever the children of the kingdom go to, they will witness for the truth. They will have no connection with evil, and will not conceive in their hearts what is evil. They only know how to do good, they do not know what is evil. That is why our Lord Jesus Christ had said, "A new commandment I give unto you that. you love one another, as I have loved you, that you also love another. He continued to say 'By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one to another'." It is not a matter of making badges with inscriptions 'Jehovah or 'Jesus' or 'Jehovah God' or 'Jehovah Jah' or 'Jehovah' 'Elohim' and wearing them across your chest. It is not a matter of shouting the name 'Jesus' at the top of your voice along the street. It is not a matter of putting on large, flowing spotless white and dazzling gown. It is not based on song and music, even if you sing melodiously with angelic voices till the earth is shaken. It is not based on your dexterous and flexible dances.

It is rather based on meekness, humility, love, peace, truth, self-control and lowliness of heart. Wherever the children of the kingdom go to, they do not generate causes for trouble, they are not exasperated, they do not hate but always walk uprightly. They continue to be loving, patient, humble, meek, peaceful and truthful. Since God is the embodiment of love, truth, patience, peace and other virtues, they also must show the expression of these virtues in practical ways because they are the likeness of God in which they are all created.

By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them

Wherever they go to, they are easily identified by their behaviours, ways of life, words and deeds, their footsteps and their general conduct. They have no problems because they seek nothing from any person. If they come to your home they will carry food to you and if you go thier houses, they will still give you food. They do not ask you to fetch water or firewood for them, they do not ask you why you visit them or why you do one thing or the other. They do not appear bothered about what others do.

They do not show the expression of these virtues that you may love, honour, or do good to them, but they do these things as a condition of the kingdom so that they may reveal the glory of Jehovah God and His Christ. Our Lord Jesus Christ had said when He taught His disciples how to pray, 'Let us do on earth as it is done in heaven! The practical expression of the virtues is exactly what is done in heaven, and the same thing should be done on earth. God does not do anything for you that you may reciprocate His gesture, or that you may love Him or that you may praise and magnify Him but He does them to reveal His kingdom because He is an embodiment of the virtues including doing good.

There Shall In No Wise Enter Into It Anything That Defiles

Observe how this kingdom is holy, beautiful, shinning and good. In it, there is no theft, no quarrelling, no malice, no person is begrudged, no back bitting. This explains why the scriptures attest that the fearful, the unbelieving, the abominable, the murderers, the thieves, the fornications, liars, whoremongers, sorcerers and idolators will have no share in the kingdom.

A great many of you think that there will be a way through which your wives, friends or husbands will report you to God that you are fornicators, and adulterers, or thieves or liars. They will not report you but God knows what you are and if you persist in these vices then it is certain that you are not meant for the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. Many people argue that, a badge should be designed in order to identify those who are the children of God. The children of God are known by their behaviours, conducts and ways of life because they are never given to exasperation, or sighing, or fastidiousness, or murmuring, or lamentation, or weeping. Satan has no adverse comments to make against the children of God, because they do not indulge in any act of sin for satan to capitalize on. The worldly people also have nothing to say against the children of this kingdom. It is for such persons that our Lord Jesus Christ has said 'My kingdom is not of this world.'

A place where there is no anger, quarrelling, misunderstanding, theft, envy and division, is considered and referred to as the kingdom of God. Such is the reign of our Lord Jesus Christ. This explains why He was addressed as a demented fellow and He said nothing. He was called a thief, others spat at Him but the symbolism of His suffering was not revealed then, and it is only now that it is manifested.

He was always referred to as a mentally deranged fellow. That is why if you are called Jesus, you will refute that, telling people you are not Jesus, that it was only the Son of God who could suffer such afflictions. This is indicative of the fact that you have denied the sonship of this kingdom. And can one person build a city? One man cannot build a city. That was why when people illtreated Him, spat on Him, disregarded, and despised Him, called Him names and blasphemed against His Holy name, He did not retatiate. It was not that He had no power to have retaliated but

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if He had exercised His power He would not have been the Christ of God because He wanted to witness the manifestation of the Father's kingdom.

Every Person Lives By Observation

In the kingdom of God no person is exalted or abased, no person is judged with a view to justifying or condemning him' By observation every child of this kingdom knows exactly what to do because each of them has known the prevailing conditions in the kingdom and so has to apply the conditions judiciously in leading his life, behaviour, conduct and culture. They have become acclimatized with the prevailing conditions and they do not know of any other way of life apart from love. They have never learnt of evil and so they do not practise evil. As a result of these in-born attributes they do not know anything evil but they are accustomed to love, truth, patience, humility, temperance and honesty. So brethren, we shall now have our first lesson.

1st Lesson: Revelation 7:17

"For the lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

The Kingdom of Christ is A Paradise

Brethren, hear what is read unto you. The condition of this kingdom does not require prayers. In the kingdom, no person suffers any type of heat, because there is no heat, no scourging heat of the sun, and no person is drenched by rain and there is no hunger because the lamb who is in the midst of the throne will cover them with His mighty wings and will feed them. He will lead them unto the loving fountains of water and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

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Minimum Entry Qualification Is Total Abstinence From Sin

Do not doubt as I always tell you that you do not know where you are and the invitation extended to you. If you were to know this, you would have complied when you are advised to forsake sin. But you believe that you will change gradually. If you want to change gradually for a period of a hundred years, it means during the hundred years you are outside the kingdom. If you intend to gradually change in two hundred years' time, then for that period of time you have not change completely. If you continue to rain abuses on others then you will continue to be in the world. If anger still lingers with you, then you cannot enter. No person prevents you from entering into the kingdom but you prevent yourself since your sin is ever before you. Each person acknowledges his sin, and he or she cannot enter.

God Knows Everything

Many of you console yourselves that the Leader does not know what sins you are still committing. I know all of you because every person carries with him either the mark of God or the mark of the beast on his forehead. If the mark of God is on your forehead, you will not be annoyed, tell lies, prostitute about, indulge in the preparations of concoction. You will neither pronounce woe on any person nor hate any person, you will not be a burden to any person, you will not wish to lord it over any person. It is said behold the world passes away with its glory and lusts but the glory of God will endure forever. Very shortly you will witness in this world the manisfestation of this glory.

No Person Is Known In The Flesh

Roguery, prostitution, fighting, money, all are glories of this world and not the glory of God. In this kingdom no person is known as a man or as a woman, no person is known as a child or an adult, but you are known by your behaviours. You are not recognized by the inspiring sermons you deliver, because satan itself preaches very well. He can preach to an extent of your sleeping away during which time he cuts off your head and plunders your goods. You are not recognized by your going to stay in somebody's house on bended knees always kneeling down, or by sweeping the floor, singing and dancing but after one week you set the house ablaze.

If you come across somebody who tells the truth today and tomorrow and after that he plunges into falsehood, such a person is not a child of God. If you come across somebody who is very kind, generous and benevolent, he is also humble for three months but after that he begins to regret that upon what he has done, no person has appreciated it, and for that reason he will no longer be humble, such a person is not a child of God. The form in which the children of God are created, is love, truth and righteousness. They are unchangeable for there is no variableness in them.

The Kingdom Is Not Meat Or Drink But Righteousness

I have not come to preach or to dance but to reveal the Kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ to the entire world. Whether people are already in the kingdom or not in it. or they still have the intention to enter, every person will see this kingdom of God as he predicted. You can have money. children, motor cars and other mundane things, these are all glories of the world. You can be a chief, a king, a Prime Minister, a President, these positions relate to the glories of the world not the glory of God and His Christ. What I am giving you now are the things which relate to the kingdom of God. There are no hospitals, neither are they the Army and the Police force. What are soldiers going to shoot? What will the police protect, and what will the law courts judge? Every person is an ambodiment of love, peace, patience, mercy, truth, joy, humility. In the kingdom no person looks up to the other person and no person hopes on another, every person hopes on God. A friend will not preach to a

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friend because all the words preached to a friend are in our hearts but we have a duty to perform and that is to practise the words reviewed. These words which dwell in you provide the illumination through which you can walk circumspectfully.

The Incompatibility Of Kingdom Of The World And Kingdom Of God

In the kingdom of the world, if you advise any person to forsake sin, he will regard it as an insult or as a disgrace and will be angry with you. If you advise him not to indulge in concoction he will ask you whether you want every person to die and that God established the system of necromancing. This is indicative of the fact that preaching does not change or reform a man. Instead of reforming people, it causes confusion and trouble. This is the time of the separation of the sheep from the goat. If you always quarrel; get exasperated and look for carnal things, it means you are worldly and you have been separated. Conversely, if you are content with your position in life, and are not lustful, if you do not commit fornication, tell lies and get angry, it means you are a child of God, and you will tarry in the kingdom. That is why I tell you that a single person cannot build a city for it is only one person who has these attributes, the kingdom of God will not be easily recognized and His glory would not be revealed.

While the disciples worked very diligently, the kingdom could not be revealed because as they went about doing good, the evil men waxed stronger also operated and there was nothing the disciples could do. The evil men will not appreciate what you have done, instead they will persecute and hate you, cast you into prison, disgrace and kill you and then will ask you to invite your God to help you.

Kingdom Established By God Himself

However, all is not lost, there is still hope and sooner or

later the kingdoms of the world will become the kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ. Apart from this kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, there is no other kingdom and it is the Kingdom which Adam, Abraham, Enoch, Moses, Jesus and Christ were waiting for. In it are found living fountains of water, everlasting life, peace, joy and other attributes. All the people who were killed, burnt at stake, imprisoned and persecuted suffered because of this kingdom. Paul, John the Baptist, Peter and the Apostles were killed because of this kingdom. You will realise that, had God the Father, our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit not come, it would have been very difficult to establish this kingdom.

Think of a person who lives with others but is never angry with any person. People will be jealous of his life that they either break into his house and plunder his property and finally drive him out or kill him in cold blood. He will pack out from the house as the scripture demands. Sometimes you are singing along the street and somebody somewhere throws a stone at you, whereas you have not disturbed him in any way. You will be tempted to make trouble with him also as that is the condition in the kingdom of the world. But since our Lord Jesus Christ has said that this generation will not pass away until everything is made manifest, these words are now manifested in the world.

Only Righteousness Dwells In The Kingdom

The commission of any of the vices like theft, falsehood, fornication, adultery, drinking is not profitable to any person in this kingdom. It does not serve any useful purpose for any person to steal or prostitute about or indulge in the preparations of concoction. It is rather profitable for one to show the expression of love, to be truthful, patient, merciful, humble, meek and peaceful. These requirements are beneficial to any man. That was why St. Paul said we are pushed down and yet we are not wounded because he realized that he was marching towards the kingdom and so he did not retaliate, paying back evil for evil. Recollect also the circumstances under which Peter and the other Apostles were killed. No person petitioned against such murderous acts. Think of how a full-fledged man with blood in his veins allowed his head to be severed from the body without doing anything and no person protests against it, or tries to prevent it. These situations occurred in order to reveal this kingdom of God. Inspite of what people must have done to you, you should not quarrel, or fight, or sigh or become fasstidious for you have been taught to be loving and peaceful. Brethren this is a very good opportunity for you because there is no other thing left to be revealed unto you about the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Kingdom Does Not Consist In Wealth But in God's Virtues

You have witnessed the various scientific inventions like the aeroplane flying in the air, the electricity, the radio and television, money, the locomotive engine, the motor car and ocean steam ships. Many people are highly educated and many of them glory in existing in these inventions being the kingdoms of the world but what about the kingdom of God? A great many of you have gone to America, Britain, India, Russia. Germany and had seen the many magnificent buildings but did you find any place referred to as the kingdom of God? While there you knew great multi-millionaires, professors and other great men who own magnificently erected houses, some lined with gold and all streets and lanes lit with street lights, but did you find residing with them the kingdom of God, did you find peace, and truth, and mercy, and humility, and righteousness, and meekness and eternal life? If you are looking for people who possess the virtues of love, mercy, peace, humility, righteousness and truth, where can you find such persons?

The Kingdom Is The City Of Righteousness

This kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, is the city of truth, of peace, love, humility and of joy. You can realise that this is not the kingdom of the world. This accounts for the reason that from January first to December thirty-first every year I continue to teach and enjoin you not to steal, fornicate, tell lies, indulge in the preparations of concoctions, not to be exasperated and fastidious, not to murmur because such vices are not admitted in this kingdom.

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The Glorification Of The Kingdom Of God

You are now testifying that Brotherhood has reached Britain, America, India, West Europe, I am not interested in your roving the universe because satan had already pitched his tent in all the countries of the world. I am rather interested in the glorification of the kingdom of God. In the same token, I am not interested in your claim that there is much money in Brotherhood, or that Bethels are many and some of them magnificently built and beautifully furnished, or that charms are extracted from people bodies, or that the dead is raised, the blind are made to receive their sight, but my interest is in the projection of this kingdom of God. You testify that choir sings melodiously and dances dexteriously and members of the Bethels put on immaculate soutanes. I am not interested in the whiteness of your soutanes or your songs and dances because once the kingdom is manifested nothing else can be seen except love, gladness, peace, joy, righteousness, truth, and mercy. When you have all these attributes, you do not need to see any other thing.

You testify that there are many prominent persons in Brotherhood. I do not seem to get any prominent person here. What is prominent is this love, peace, truth, mercy, joy, righteousness, and any person who possesses these attributes he is prominent in the kingdom. Our second lesson will now be read.

"He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you."

Brethren, you have heard the lesson read. The Father wishes to reveal the kingdom of God to you. The kingdom which our Lord Jesus died and shed His precious blood for the redemption of the world; the kingdom you have heard so much about. We have no connections with the kingdom of the world whether they are beautiful or peacefully administered, but we are interested in the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you find somebody testifying that he fought with one who spoke evil about Brotherhood, such is applied in the kingdom of the world, but in the kingdom of God no person fights. If you complain that you are angry with somebody because he encroached upon a piece of land belonging to Brotherhood, that cannot be true because Brotherhood has nothing to do with anger and it is not interested in acquisition of land. It does not serve any useful purpose for one to struggle for land because the psalmist has said that heaven and earth and the fulness thereof. the world and they that dwell therein belong to God. If you understand this fact what then will you struggle for because He owns everything.

He created man and other things and arranged everything in its ship - shape order. Now is the time for Him to reveal the glory of His Kingdom. You have not started your joy, because you will be so joyful that you will neither hunger nor thirst, you will sing until you forget yourself and dance until your legs will be lifted up from the ground because of the great joy in the kingdom of Christ. We, therefore, have to be very watchful because when the Pharisees asked our Lord Jesus Christ when the kingdom of God would come. He told them the kingdom of God does not come with observation neither shall they say lo here! or, lo there! for behold the kingdom of God is within you.

The satan will brainwash people that it is God who kills and tortures and punishes people and that all adverse situations besetting man can be attributable to our Lord Jesus Christ, but can you not notice how the kingdom of God has revealed love, peace, mercy, truth and other virtues.

The Comforter Comes

Our Lord Jesus Christ testified about this age when He said, when the Comforter comes, He shall glorify me for He shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you. The Holy Spirit has come to preach, heal the sick, or raise the dead. He has come to reveal the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ and the glory of God and make it manifest to all the inhabitants of the world. That is why in this kingdom no person is required to be annoved, to quarrel and to abuse and to abuse and curse, neither is anyone required to cause any confusion. If you are a confusionist, then you should go where there is trouble, because there is no place for confusionist in the kingdom. If there is quarrelling amongst the choristers then they are in the kingdom of the world. If there is quarrelling and fighting amongst the elders, they are in the kingdom of the world, if the ordained ones are led by the spirit of error and anger then they are in the kingdom of the world. In this kingdom of Christ revealed unto you, attributes found are those of love, joy, righteousness and meekness.

People Are Differently Made

In this kingdom you do not invite your friend because you are like a pathway through which many people pass. You can have a child and God opens His own way for him, and may be he is not a child of this kingdom, you can go your way and he takes to his own way. You may likewise have a father who treads another path since he is not a child of this kingdom. The purpose of this kingdom is to save the whole world but this does not imply that you should do service to your father as you ought to do but since he has no ability to serve God in His vine-yard, you are duty-bound to serve and assist him.

Wherever The Carcass Is There Eagles Gather

People are looking for you everywhere because you are the salt of the earth and no person can prepare a delicious food without adding salt to it. That is why wherever the children of God possessed with love, peace, mercy, truth, meekness and lowliness of the heart are found also evil men, thieves, robbers and liars will fill such a place in order to share in the blessing. Is there any person in this world who does not desire to have love, truth, mercy, peace and all the good virtues? The only problem here. The local adage says that a dried dog meat is very delicious but what will the person eat until he completely dries his dog meat?

It is expedient to possess love, truth, patience and humility, but how can you possess it now that you are pregnant and saturated with all sets of sin? That is why you should not be angry when you find people loitering or hanging around the fence, such people are worldly, because they have no ability to enter into the kingdom to receive the words of life being delivered there. Their inability to enter into the kingdom is their own look out. They may beget children but have no love, they may also have money but no peace, they can possess worldly wisdom but lack patience, humility, mercy, truth and meekness. If you live without these virtues, what type of life are you living? I want you to watch and see what will become of the kingdom of God. The worldly people will look for you, the angels will look for you, murderers will come and prostrate before you and ask you to speak that he might hear. But I say they will not hear because they are already saturated with the attributes of the kingdom of the world. Brethren, I want you to realise that the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, it is not attainment of book knowledge, nor putting on good dresses,

it is not money or wealth but of our Lord Jesus Christ consists of love, peace, joy, patience, righteousness, humility, meekness, honesty, mercy, lowliness of the heart and selfcontrol.

Except You Are Born Again You Cannot Serve God

This explains why our Lord Jesus Christ told | Nicodemus that he must be born again because except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus asked Him, how can a man be born again when he is already old, can he enter the second time into his mother's womb and be born again? And our Lord Jesus Christ asked him, as a great teacher in Israel do you not know what this statement means? He told Nicodemus verily, verily, I say unto you except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. In the same token except a man is born of water and of the Spirit he cannot have love, truth, mercy, patience, humility. It therefore means that if you lack these attributes you cannot enter.

People have attempted to travel to the sun and moon, they have invented many things but possess no love, patience, mercy, truth or humility. The worldly people glory in the number of children they have, the kingship position, wealth, but the children of God glory and boast in love, peace, joy, humility, patience, meekness, self-control and temperance. That is why our Lord Jesus Christ has exhorted that we should not labour for the meat that perishes but for the meat which endures unto everlasting life which the son of man shall give unto us, for him had God the Father sealed.

Many Mansions

Whatever you do cannot gain recognition except with patience, love, humility, truth, righteousness and all the virtues of God. Our Lord Jesus Christ had said let not your heart be troubled, you believe in God, believe also in Me. In my Father's house there are many mansions, if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself, that wherever I am you may be there also. Where is He? He is in love, in truth, in peace, in mercy, in patience, in meekness, humility, righteousness and temperance. Whoever professes to be a child of God but lacks these qualities, he is deceiving himself.

You Can Only Enter When You Comply

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You have been advised to forsake sin but who has accepted to forsake sin? No person is suspended here none is dismissed. You can do nothing if you are not sent eventhough you know that the good you have failed to do is sinful. One thing is sure and that is unless you comply yourself with the instructions of God and walk according to the path of rectitude, you cannot enter into the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. The people of the world are aware that in the kingdom there is no quarrelling, no fighting no exasperation, no punishment and so they come in with their glories into it. What is the glory of the world, it is theft, falschood, fornication, deceit and swindling. But the glory of God consists in love, truth, patience, humility, meekness, righteousness, temperance and joy. That explains why many people complain that the conditions in Brotherhood are not understood by them. They should know that Brotherhood is not meant to be understood by them, God Himself understands it. It is not known as the kingdom of this world, that should be clear to people. It is called the kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ, and should not be understood by abybody.

Do you remember that a great many people follow our Lord Jesus Christ, but when He told them that whosoever does not eat my flesh and drink of my blood is not fit to be my disciple and will have no life in him, neither will he be allowed to enter into the kingdom of God. But the people contended that the injunction was so difficult to be complied with by them and so they back-slided and withdrew from Him. The scripture has attested to the fact that the day shall not come except there come falling away first and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition.

Causes Of Back-sliding

You will notice that somebody who was up and doing in Brotherhood has now backslided. Do not ask why he has backslided for the Father knows why he cannot come in again. Sometimes somebody swears on an oath that he will not come into Brotherhood even if he dies and you will think it is because of his multitude of sin, but I tell you that is not true, the Father knows why he cannot be a Brotherhood. Sometimes a person comes to request that you take him to Brotherhood, and you begin to thank God because he had made it possible for a prominent person in the society to come into Brotherhood, you do not know why. Only the Father knows why he has now made up his mind to come. All the things we have seen and all the occurrences everyday are known by the Father. If any person does not come into Brotherhood it bothers not God in anyway. If any person decides to come into Brotherhood, it will cause God no concern. If any person withdraws from Brotherhood, it does not disturb God at all. Brethren, notice that the highest condition to be found in this kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. is love.

Kingdom Does Not Need Mundane Things

If you have love, it is no concern to God, if you do not possess love, God is not bothered about it either. The only thing is that the Father is very envious about you that you should enter into the Kingdom of God to observe how the kingdom looks like, how peaceful, how sweet, how good and how perfect. It is meet that man should enter therein. This kingdom is a place where there is no anger, no troubled mind where there is no lack of patience, no quarrelling, no falsehood, no pride, no arrogance and no pomposity. In the kingdom the services of soldiers and police are not required, messengers and other officers are not required also, but it is the glory which forms the system of government. In the kingdom also, children, mother, brother and sister and money are not needed once you seek to project this glory of God and His Christ, that is finality. Children, parents, brothers and sisters, friends and relations are subsidiary matter.

Forsake All And Follow 'Christ'

Did our Lord Jesus Christ teach you that "If any man come to me and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren and sisters, and his life also, he cannot be my disciples." And has St. Paul not said "I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ my Lord," and what things were gains to me, those I counted loss for Christ. If the kingdom of God were to consist of children, why did our Lord Jesus Christ not marry to beget children, and why did John the Baptist and St. Paul not marry to beget children? You have been taught to the point of saturation but today you have the nearest opportunity and the single good luck that I am now revealing this kingdom to you. The scriptures say to be carnally minded is death but to be spiritually minded is eternal life in Christ Jesus.

The Kingdom Is Supreme

The moment you find yourself possessing the virtues of God which are love, truth, patience, humility, meekness, rightcousness, temperance, you are perfect. Of what use will wife, husband, children, money, houses, car be to you? You should be satisfied with the attributes. Observe what is obtaining in the world where people have got motor cars, erected storey buildings, have prominent children, have

money and become chiefs, but they have no peace, they are wandering about with their children. shouting that they are going to die and that they should be assisted to overcome their difficulties as they are on the brink of perishing. Look at a man with a lot of money, possessing a string of degrees. a number of children and will voluntarily surrender his degrees, money and children in exchange for peace and tranquility. Brethren, I do not want to take you much longer and God will spare your lives till you see these things manifested when millionaires and professors. scientists. doctors will run into this Kingdom looking for peace. You are true witness to the fact that if you backslide from this Kingdom for a period of one week, your house will be under fire, you will be so disturbed, you will spend sleepless nights and you will be gripped with fear, running from pillar to post for lack of peace. That is why we are looking for an expensive land to establish our own city. As many of you are running away from your storey buildings because you have no peace, you cannot sleep there and you are not comfortable, so you rather go to the Bethel to sleep even on bare ground where peace abounds.

The City of Peace and Joy

Any time you are here, you are in heaven but when you go back to your home; you are in hell because your children will engage themselves in fighting and quarrelling, some complaining of hunger, others complaining of non payment of school fees, others will be throwing stones at you, and you will regret going to your house. At the place of your work, the same thing happens, and others are finding fault with you and you will regret having taken up the employment, queries will be issued to you when you commit even the slightest offence, you are never at peace with any person being always at daggers drawn. In this kingdom, there is no trouble, confusion, commotion insurrection because peace and joy abound. Our golden text, will be read. As you place high premium on money so we place high premium on truth, peace, mercy, joy, patience, righteousness, meekness and self-control.

Golden Text: John 18:36

"Jesus answered, 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."

Manifestation of the Kingdom of the 'Christ'

Brethren, hear what is read unto you. Can you hear why we do not quarrel or fight in Brotherhood? Because we are neither pugnacious nor combative, and because Brotherhood is not quarrelsome. Why we do not tell lies is because Brotherhood is not made of lies. We do not even sue at law courts, because our kingdom is not based on law. Whatever you do in this kingdom does not concern any other person. For this reason, people argue that Brotherhood has no wisdom and experience because offenders are not sued at. court. They contend that any person who offends should be taken to court immediately. That cannot be done here, because our kingdom is not that of pugnacity or quarrelling or theft, it is the kingdom of God. Some people console themselves when they say upon all what you have committed, no person is angry. This is not the kingdom of exasperation and so no matter what you do, you cannot induce any person to be angry. When our Lord Jesus Christ was buffeted at. He did not retaliate. He was called a thief, a murderer, a demented fellow, he was not angry because His kingdom consists in joy, peace, righteousness, truth and humility, gladness, love and self-control. And now is the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ being made manifest. In the past a great many people argued that they could not understand our Lord Jesus Christ because He spoke in parables, these parables are now being revealed to you.

Except The Father Invites, You Cannot Come To Him The kingdom of the world has suffered violence, do you not notice how you struggle for chieftaincy position. in Government, in politics, for food, for seats, you struggle to pray or read the Bible? In the kingdom of the world you struggle for everything. But in the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ there is no struggling for anything. If the Father does not invite any person, he cannot come and if He does not change you there is nothing you can do to change yourself. No person, therefore, has to change yourself. No person, therefore, has any boast of himself. You have to remain quietly, your suggestions and opinions on certain issues are not welcome because it is the Father who does everything. Whatever conditions you find in the kingdom apply yourself accordingly. There is no need questioning somebody why he has not repented. What is your concern over his repentence? Your concern is for you to love, to be humble and patient, to be righteous and meek, truthful and do all what is good.

Justification By One Man's Righteousness

Why do you go to a person and ask him why he has been baptized into Brotherhood? What is your business? What connection has his baptism or non-baptism with showing the expression of the virtue of love, truth, patience, faith and humility? As by one man's offence judgement came upon all men to condemnation even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.

The kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ has brought to the entire mankind peace, love, patience, mercy and truth, not to mankind only but also to birds in the air, fishes in water, animals in the bush, fishes in the water, trees in the bush and all creeping things. This is so because, He does not quarrel with any animal, He does not kill a fowl, or a goat or sheep, does not eat the flesh of an animal, does not whip and does nothing harmful to any creation of God, He does not hate any person and does not resist an evil doer nor does He impute sin on any person. This is why everybody and everything like Him.

Righteousness Alone Exalts A Nation

Imagine how you will be able to get such a person in each of the villages, how that village will be. Think of how lucky you can have one person posessed with the Virtue of love, of truth, of patience, of humility, or righteousness, of temperance, of peace and of joy, of meekness and of lowliness of the heart.

A person who does not curse or abuse, who is never exasperated, who does not begrudge others but peaceable with all joyous, loving, truthful, patient, humble, meek and honest; if there is a multiplicity of such a virtuously disposed person, their combined efforts will bring peace to the entire world. That was why our Lord Jesus Christ said "abide in My Love even as I abide in the Father's Love because without me you can not do any good thing."

If therefore we possess these attributes of God, we will be. worthy to be admitted into the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ and this worthiness will be extended to all parts of the world.

Children of the Truth

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Truth is something which cannot change and that is why you are referred to as the children of the truth, because God is the truth and since you are the children of God, you are truthful. They have to be truthful till eternity no matter the circumstances. They have to love one another throughout the days of their lives; they have eternal patience; they do not cheat any person, they look for no gratification from any person; they do not want to be known by people. They do not render any service to people so that they lord over them or to be compensated but they serve in order to show the manifestation of the glory of God.

Your Joy will be Full

The joy that is kept in store for the children of God is better imagined than described. It is so great that a great many people will behave like demented fellows because of the abundant joy. Those things you had never thought of things you have never seen or heard, things you never expected would happen, these have now been bestowed to you you unexpectedly.

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Do not allow anything or circumstance or situation drive you out from this Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ because this Kingdom of ours is not that of pugnacity, but the Kingdom of peace, patience, humility and love. You should therefore wear these attributes as the armour of God because the attributes constitute the tradition of this Kingdom That is why wherever we find ourselves, there will be no trouble, no combative tendency, no stealing and no commission of any act of sin.

Sinfulness is the Tradition of the World

Where you find people still quarrelling, it means they have not yet entered into the Kingdom, they are still in the world. When you find any person arguing that he cannot come into Brotherhood because members worship a human being, such a person is in the world, he has not yet entered the Kingdom of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Any person who expressed annoyance because somebody offended him, is a man of the world, that portrays the behaviour in the world.

All that Glitters is not Gold

The teachings delivered to you in this kingdom is not grievous and nothing can be compared with them except love, truth, patience, humility, peace. Do not allow yourself to be deceived by satan, when he shows you a city built and lined with gold and all types of delicious meals are prepared and kept for people who go there, the circulation of money is not controlled, into believing that the city is the kingdom of God. That cannot be the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. Have you not found people who quarrel and fight, arrogating important positions to themselves, do you not find thieves and robbers and murderers. Have you not remembered that Satan wanted to tempt our Lord Jesus Christ with money so that He would fall away from the kingdom? Realising what he was trying to do, our Lord Jesus Christ told him 'get ye behind me satan.'

Money and food have nothing to do in this kingdom, high attainment in education has no place here, human-beings cannot have a place also except he who has love and truth, patience, humility, meekness, faith, righteousness, lowliness of the heart and self-control.

Brethren, it is not my intention to go further with you. One stroke of the cane is sufficient for the wise. Let those who have ears hear. May God bless His words. Amen.

PART TWO

1st Lesson: John 3:3 2nd Lesson: Matt. 5:20 Golden Text: Matt. 18:4

Brethren, a summary of what have been read to you is the theme of our revelation. If I may ask: How many of the kings, queens, emperors, the lords and traditional rulers will enter into the kingdom of God? How many of th money magnets, the rich men, the degree holders, the principalities, the high academic professors, the so-called big men and important and good men of the society will qualify for entry into the kingdom.

A great many people still argue that they cannot kneel down for a human being like themselves, others argue that they cannot remove their shoes from their feet. Others argue that they cannot confess their sins to any human being like themselves. Others feel that they cannot humble themselves like small children to a human being like themselves because they are not his servants. To buttress their argument some maintain that they are fathers of twenty children, they have motor cars and storey buildings and are very important personalities. Examine these categories of persons carefully and critically determine how many of them and the so-called noble men will be admitted into the kingdom of God. If a person talks to you, you will swiftly retort that he should not talk like that to you because you are not his servants. At times somebody is talking to you, instead of responding to him in a peaceful way, you not only hush him up but slap him also.

Humility Is The Foundation Of The Kingdom

This is to indicate to you that the kingdom of God does not require any other thing apart from humility. If you are riding in your luxurious car with music system, airconditioner and tinted glass to match, and meet a boy who is not well dressed or a poor man with tattered dress, will you give him a lift? In the same token, when you are properly clad with your full suit and shoes to match, your hat and walking stick and on your way, you find a boy fetching water at a tap, if he requests that you lift the bucket of water for him, will you do it? And will you not refer to him as an insolent boy? When you dress gorgeously and on your way to your business, somebody asked you to buy groundnuts or any other thing from the market for him, would you not think that such a person is demented? All those who are striving for the position of glory, do you think they are seeking after the glory of God? All those who are looking for high positions in the church, in school, in government, in politics and in the community, does it indicate to you that they are seeking the kingdom of God? Is there any indication that those who have refused to refrain from anger and quarrelling can even have a share in this kingdom?

You have been advised not to quarrel, not to fight, not to be angry, and not to abuse, who has heeded this advice?

Do Not Reject The Instruction Of God

You have been instructed not to curse, fornicate, steal and lead abominable life, but in your arrogance and pomposity you defile the instructions and refuse to comply, regarding yourself as a big man. Your importance is not taken into consideration in this kingdom of God. Sometimes you want to speak the word of God to somebody and he tells you he is not prepared to listen because he has been an old and foundation member of a protestant church and should not talk to him in that vein. If you encounter such a person, can you believe that he can be admitted into the kingdom? Maybe you encounter a certain woman who retorts that you have no right to talk to her in that way because her son is your age grade and that if you have been the insulting type you should go to insult your mother at home. These situations are indications that the whole world is both blind and deaf.

To Be Able To Enter The Kingdom, You Must Be Born Again

My only pleasure is that I do not employ any other language in consulting this oracle. I use the language which vou quite understand. I am using the name of our Lord Jesus Christ which you shout 'Jesus' 'Jesus' as the operative word in my explanation. How can a person who is not born again and is truly repentant, serve God. When you claim so many titles, you claim to be the first daughter or the first son, you are so proud and pompous that you tend to look down upon others, how will you serve God with such an attitude? You are aware that when you invite people to your house and they are properly clad with tie and shoes, if you are looking for somebody to fetch water to be used in preparing food, or somebody to bring more seats for people to sit down, you will not have the boldness to approach any of them to run that errand because they regard themselves as "big men." Before their arrival they had known that if they were not properly clad, you would disgrace them and so they decide, in good time, to honour the invitation, and of course well dressed. Even if they have not got the dresses to put on, they would borrow or rent from the stores in order to impress the host of their importance. If any of the guests who is a millionaire but dressed in tattered dress and is

humble and meek, you will definitely walk to him and ask him to fetch some chairs from somewhere for visitors. You are free to send him for an errand or use him as you like since he has not shown any indication of being a big man. So it is in this kingdom, except we repent we cannot enter into the kingdom.

The field is extensive, the harvest is great but where are the labourers? If you are not yet ready you cannot enter. Except you forsake your pride and pomposity, anger and the tendency to regard yourself as a very important person or a very good man, even if you remain here for 100 years, it will be impossible for you to enter. Most of you have parents at home, why have they not come into this fold? Some of them claim they are important persons in the Protestant church, others argue, but for the very important position they have in one church or the other churches. It is this important position they purport to have held that hinders them from joining us in the fold. That is why some of them come to inquire from you what positions will be given to them should they come to Brotherhood. When do you consider such persons will ever come in here.

Pride Goes Before A Fall

The words of our Lord Jesus Christ are always true. Upon all we strive to be, if we do not refrain from pride, from pomposity and arrogance, from the tendency of 'I have already known' and from arrogating to ourselves the position of the son of the soil, it will be impossible for us to be admitted into the kingdom. Right now you are running from pillar to post to find money in order to serve God, have you been told that God is so poor that you should find money to serve Him? You look for a very expensive white material to make your soutane because your old soutane is very brownish, stained and dirty. Have you been told that God looks at the whiteness of your soutane? Another person argues that since he has never seen the four walls of a school and had never
learnt to speak the English language, it would be impossible for him to serve God, and I ask, does God look for those who speak English? Why is it that when you are given pieces of advice, you fail to abide by such advice? The reason is that you have not yet repented.

Abstain From All Appearances of Evil

The Gospel is preached to you from January to December every year that you should refrain from exasperation, fornication, quarrelling and fighting, but who amongst you has complied with the exhortations? As often as you are advised to forsake sin, the more you murmur against God and get so much angry that you ask if your sins are more grievous than those committed by others. Some twenty years ago you had a dispute or misunderstanding with somebody but till today you are still begrudging him because you have refused to become reconciled to him.

Do you believe that as long as you cannot forgive a person for the offences he has committed against you, that you can do any good thing to him? Do you believe that as long as you continue to be intimate with somebody's wife or husband, you will have no time at your disposal to serve God in peace and concord? Brethren, it is conclusive that if you do not abstain from all manners of sins you cannot serve God and do what is good. Note also that if you do not become like a little child you cannot enslave yourself to any person. If inspite of your elevated position like that of a doctor, president, governor, king, emperor, millionaire, you humble yourself to the extent of serving others, that will be rewarded handsomely.

Except You Become A Child, You Cannot Serve Others It is not simple for you to advice or send on an errand a man who visits you with his wife and fullgrown children. God is always searching the hearts and reins. Before a visitor at your house introduces his children, he has some-

thing in his sleeves. He wants to indicate to you that at his age he is not an infant. Before somebody introduces himself to you, as having many prominent children some of whom are doctors and engineers, or as being a landlord owning houses in all cities of the federation, having a fleet of motor transport. By this mode of introduction, he is trying to impress upon how important he is so that you know how to behave towards him. So brethren, do not be deceived by any person, whoever does not repent and turn over a new leaf from his past life, cannot practise the gospel of God.

It is said the kingdom is not entered by wealth but by faith. If you do not take advise, can you repent? The teaching given to you from day to day that you should forsake anger, theft and pomposity, that this kingdom does not require these vices, that you should humble yourself like a little child, if you fail to obey these instructions, how can you humble yourself and if you do not humble yourself, how can you serve God?

Overcome Evil With Good

It is impossible for two cocks to crow on the same roof, you have come into a place as a big man and the person you are meeting in the house is also a big man. He is trying to advise you to humble yourself, and you are also trying to advise him to humble himself. He is enjoining you to refrain from sins and you are asking him what sins you have committed because from the beginning you have been a Verry pious christian. Brethren, there lies the cause of the problem for the whole world. Search round the world, you will not discover any person who is prepared to become truly repentant. It is not uncommon to come across people who maintain that if they are greeted, they will reciprocate and if others offend them, they will revenge, and that they do not fear any person. That is why you tend not to have regard for any other person, and you all wonder about like sheep without shepherds.

Man Has The Tendency To Resist Change

Is it not a pathetic situation that a member who has been given a specific instruction to refrain from a particular crime, complains that he cannot refrain from it, he therefore, cleaves to that which is evil. Upon all the gospels of life delivered to you everyday, who amongst you is not behaving like a demented fellow? This is so because you are so saturated with the old wine, you feel that is better for you. But today our Lord Jesus Christ has sounded a note of warning into your ears that unless you become like little children, you cannot enter into the kingdom. It does not cost any person even a kobo to enter into the kingdom, the only price you have to pay is humility.

Humility Works Obedience

Humility consists in listening to pieces of advice and abiding by the instructions accordingly. If you are instructed to sit down, you obey: if you are told to move out you also obey, what e commands you should do. you have to obev it implicitly. If we had come here with a repenting and penitent heart, by now we would have realize our lives. But what happens is that today you confess that you are easily infuriated. that you are a thief, that you are a fornicator. tomorrow morning and throughout the year from January to December you will confess the same sins. When then will you refrain from infuriation or theft or fornication? Are you a dog back what you have vomitted? Each day finds you confessing your sins and each day you commit the same sins again. You know that to commit sin is bad, and you resolve to refrain from it, it means your abstinence is beneficial to you. Brethren, I do not want to belabour you with a lengthy discussion, the first lesson will now be read.

1st Lesson: 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."

Brethren, have you heard what has hindered a great many people from entering into the kingdom of God? If you come across a certain Minister of religion, he will ask you if you have seen another person, he will ask you whether you have not been told that he has founded and established a church denomination. Another person will tell you he is the village head and that he is ruling over 40 villages. This amounts to one blowing his trumpet at the market square. Where will such claims lead to?

Repent And Be Saved

Is it the responsibility of God to plead with you to save you or is it your responsibility to plead with God to save you? When you are given a vision that you should repent, you become very much exasperated against the vision. An inspiring and life - giving gospel is delivered to you and you despise it, and put it into misuse. You have been told not to put your heart in money, you become angry and begin to curse the person who has advised you, telling him that a person who has no money is not fit to live, and what type of life is that for a big man like yourself not to have a kobo in the house? You will ask why God has tested you in that way, that it would be better to die than to live without money. Others will complain that their age grades have owned storey buildings, but they are wondering about disgracefully and that God should take away their reproach; and give them the means to build their own storey buildings. Can that be the thinking of a child of God?

When He Calls, Follow Him

If John the Baptist had planned to build a house do you

think he would have been able to serve God? If our Lord Jesus Christ had planned to build a house and keep the parent's house in order, marry a wife and beget children, do you think he would have been able to serve God devotedly and diligently? When Peter met our Lord Jesus Christ during which he caught a draught of fishes, if he had taken leave of our Lord Jesus Christ to go to sell the fishes, get money and build houses and do some other things, before following Him, when do you think he would have met with our Lord Jesus Christ?

Remember the young man our Lord Jesus Christ met and asked him to follow Him, but the young man said suffer me first to go and bury my father; have you been told somewhere that he never returned to our Lord Jesus Christ? Now God has called upon us to go to serve in His Vineyard, but we want to go into our own vineyard and get money, wife, husband, children, university degrees, build houses and acquire wealth and property yet. That was what hindered the people of old from following our Lord Jesus Christ. Has this same factor not constituted a hinderance to those who want to follow God and serve Him today?

You struggle and fight because of food, women and men, of land dispute and of children and wealth. You came to see all the mundane things in the world and will definitely leave them behind. Your fore-fathers came to the world to see those things and went back without anything, and because of these, they did not see the kingdom of God. You cannot pass through any other way into the kingdom of God, except through this medium.

The Kingdom Of God Is Within You

A great many people claim that when they die, they will go direct into heaven; such a belief is inadvertent. Remember when the Pharisees asked our Lord Jesus Christ when the kingdom of God would come. He did not tell them that when they die they would go to heaven. He told them that the kingdom of God does not come with observation, neither will they say lo! or lo there! for the kingdom of God is within them. Even at this moment you sit here, the kingdom of God is within you. There is no person who is not within the environs of the kingdom of God. That was why He told the people "except your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the Pharisees and the Scribes, you cannot enter into the kingdom of God." You can recognise the fact that if you do not enter, no person prevents you, rather you hinder yourself because you have not yet repented. And if you have not repented, nobody is the cause of your failure to enter.

From 1st January every year, you preached to people about repentance, love, truth, patience, humility and the rest of the virtues but you have not believed, neither have you accepted to comply with the injunctions nor have you embraced the absolute righteousness of God. This kingdom is being sung in music it is used in dancing, it is embodied in prayer, in preaching and in testimonies. Sometimes you are so bamboozled with the behaviour of somebody who has been in Brotherhood for twenty years that it will appear as if he has never listened to the word of God. Many a times you find some members being exasperated, quarrelling, fighting and causing confusion with their white apparel, it seems as they have never heard the word of God or seen the light. but you will be surprised to hear that such a person is an ordained one? Tell me how you will be able to do what is good if you continue to cleave to that which is evil.

Recompense To No Man Evil For Evil

Our fore-fathers could not enter this kingdom because of the preaching of the gospel of retaliation: "an eye for an eye." They loved those who loved them and hated those who hated them. They could only reciprocate goodness for goodness, and pay evil doers with bad coins. In the morning you speak what is good, but in the afternoon you speak evil about all persons and situations. In the morning you forgive someone his tresspasses but in the evening, you be-grudge him again. You have been told by our Lord Jesus Christ that if you do not forgive and forget, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your tresspasses.

If you love them who love you, what reward have you? Even satan loves those who love him. If you do good to them who do good to you, what reward have you? The Pharisees and the Scribes did the same thing and they could not enter into the kingdom. Paying of tithe is not new, it is a long standing institution, the Jews paid their tithes regularly, You are all too familiar with the story of Zacchaeus who boasted that he fasted twice a week and gave a tenth part of his wealth as tithe. Remember also the story of the Pharisee and publican who went to pray. The Pharisee stood up to pray and mentioned that he fasted twice a week and gave tithes of all that he possessed, inspite of these, he could not enter into the kingdom. He therefore compares the behaviour of the people of old with the behaviour of some young men when he said except your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the Pharisees and the Scribes, you cannot enter.

Do Not Harden Your Heart When You Hear Him

The scriptures say 'Again he, limited a certain day saying in David, today after so long a time, because the people could not abide by the commandment, as it is said, today if you will hear His voice harden not your hearts. It is common place knowledge that the Arabs and the Egyptians have, for that reason could not enter into the kingdom. The attempts to practise the word of God was closely followed by the Greeks, they tried but since they had not repented, they could not enter therein. The British people followed with a determined effort to surpass all earlier ones in practicalizing the word of God but because they repented not they could not enter. You have heard of the mighty and magnificent Cathedrals they built? The next group of people who wanted to serve God was a group of British people who called themselves the 'Puritans' or pilgrim Fathers who left Britain and settled down in America to practise the word of God because they were not given the freedom to practise the word of God in Britain In America they tried as much as lies within their power to practicalize the words of God, but could not, and so they did not enter also.

Your Righteousness Must Surpass That Of The Jews Before You Can Enter Into The Kingdom

If there is somebody, who does not eat, he does not live in a house, but in the forest, does not marry a wife, does not have children, but yet he could not enter into the kingdom. How much more you who go about prostituting, fornicating, stealing, drinking round the town, quarrelling and fighting, will you ever enter? If a person who fast twice a week and gives a tenth of his wealth as tithe, and does not commit fornication, does not hate any person, obeys his father and mother, but could not enter, how much less you who do not pay tithe, nor fast nor refrain from fornication, how will you enter? In some countries, people do not eat meat, they do not drink and do not indulge in the preparations of concoction, charm and talisman and yet could not enter. This is to indicate to you that this kingdom has suffered violence and only the courageous will take it. It is not the usual slogan 'As the Father likes it' but it is based on struggling, only the very strong ones will be able to stand, others will squat or sleep. But remember the scriptures say that except your righteousness exceeds, the righteousness of the Pharisees and Scribes you will not enter. This is not the warfare about money, about children, about guarrelling, but that of righteousness. Except your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the Pharisees and Scribes you will not enter into the kingdom of God. If your righteousness does not exceed the righteousness of the church denominations,

and of your fore-fathers, it will be impossible that you can enter.

The Climatic Conditions Of The Kingdom

Our Lord Jesus Christ did not hide anything when He was sermonizing about righteousness, love, humility, mercy, respect for people, meekness to others, peace with others, where there is no quarrelling, no fastidiousness, no murmuring and no pride. If you do not possess all these attributes it means your righteousness has not exceeded that of your fore-father. This does not imply that if you have no children you will not enter, neither has it been told to you that if you do not have money nor become a chief you will not enter, have you not realised how you rather look for mundane things which are not profitable to any person in this kingdom of God.

Wealth And Knowledge Are Not Prerequisite For Entry

The mundane things are only the shadow of things which do not exist. If we were after money then in this country we have a lot of money magnets, in Britain, America, Europe, Asia, Japan, China and other places there are multi-millionaires, but money is not a prerequisite for entry into the kingdom of God. If you talk about the wisdom of this world, you go to the Western Countries and you will find men with very high attainment in Education, the professors, great men of learning, the scientists, the philosophers. If you talk about kingship the blacks have no kings. It is only in the western world that you have the great kings, who keep the royal traditions like that of English Royal Throne. But inspite of their royal position and tradition, they cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

Those of you who are still looking for the chieftaincy position, those of you who will want to be kings, traditional rulers, emperors and those of you who still look for children, remember that there are everywhere in the world Chiefs, Paramount Rulers, Kings, Emperors; there are also those who have many prominent children, these are mundane, but the presequisite is that of their righteousness exceeding the righteousness of the Pharisees and Scribes otherwise they cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

Righteousness Alone Exalts A Nation

You are testifying that you are a very lucky generation that God is now born in your midst amongst the blacks. Do not forget that God sometime manifested Himself among the whites and they did not receive Him, because they did not repent they did not enter. Do you suppose if He rises amongst the blacks and your righteousness does not exceed the rightcousness of the whites that you will enter? You further testify that in the past, it was the whites who brought the gospels of God to the blacks, but now the reverse is the order because the blacks now go to evangelise the whites. If the whites brought the gospel of 'Christ' to the blacks and did not enter because they did not repent do you. think that your taking the words of God to them, will cause you to enter if your righteousness does not exceed the righteousness of the whites?

If you compare the villages, towns and cities in Britain, United States of America, France, Japan, Australia with the ones we have in Nigeria you will shed tears because of their incompatibility. Although the people live in such beautiful cities, they cannot be admitted into the kingdom of God because they have no righteousness. The kingdom of God does not consist in beautiful and magnificent houses nor in building several storeys, or building a sky scrapper, or having a number of children or occupying the highest position in the world but the condition is that if your righteousness does not exceed the righteousness of the Pharisees and the Scribes, it is impossible that you can enter. Our second lesson will now be read.

2nd Lesson: 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."

Brethren, hear what is read to you. And that is why you are always told that the kingdom of God has suffered violence. All the various Christian church denominations seek after this kingdom. But where are they because they quarrel and fight, they steal and tell lies, they indulge in concoctions and charms. Does their behaviour indicate to you that they will enter?

Perilous Times At The End

A member of church denomination may decide to withdraw from his denomination because he feels that it is no more good for him and so he joins another denomination from where he backslides after some years. He then joins another church. Will changing from one church denomination to the other cause you to enter? Your entry does not depend upon going round the various church denominations, nor does it depend upon your criticizing the church denominations but it depends upon your righteousness exceeding the righteousness of the Pharisees and Scribes. If you love those who love you and hate those who hate you what reward have you? Even in this age people find it difficult to love those who love them. because people have adopted the system of hating those who love them, because man is not only capable of doing any good thing but also very unpredictable. It is said in the last days perilous times shall come, for men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents. unthankful, unholy; without natural affections, truce breakers. false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those who

are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God.

Love Your Enemies

In the past it was the order that you do good to those who do good to you, and do evil to those who follow you with evil, but today the table is turned.

Whatever you do, no person rewards good for good but evil for good. Is that the way through which people can enter into the kingdom of God? In this age the person who eats your food and enjoys your wealth is the person who opposes you and cuts off your head. Do what you may to him, he will not appreciate it, but would rather plot evil against you.

Brethren, you should realise that this is the final era because all the words of God spoken and written and prophesied have now been made manifest. And it is indicated that when you see all these things you should know that the end has come. The Son of man is now on earth. the Father is on earth and the Holy Spirit is also on earth, and that is the Kingdom of God. And whoever will humble himself like a little child, he is the greatest in this kingdom. That is why you have been taught to be humble and meek. to enslave yourself to every person, to accept to be stupid in the matrimonial home and at the office. Allow people cheat you, and oppress you, do not mind it, appear as if you are foolish and ignorant so that you may be wise. Accept whatever names you are called, whether they call you a thief, a nonentity, a mad man, a witch or an apparition but continue to serve God in the kingdom.

Count Everything But Loss

Yesterday, you were a man of valour and courage and as powerful as the elephant, every person who saw you was dead with fear, because if you had a chance you would knock him down and batter him everywhere and squeeze him to death, but today, because of this kingdom you have become not only simpleton but a weakling. In the past you were a great wrestler, a champion in games, you were never afraid of any person, but today because of this kingdom you are equal with others as little children. It was for a similar reason that St. Paul said 'But what things were gain to me those I counted, loss for the sake of this kingdom. You have now been enjoined to count everything but loss in order to obtain the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus and for the sake of this kingdom.' This is so because except your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the Pharisees and the Scribes, you cannot enter into the kingdom.

To Obey Is Better Than Sacrifice

Humility does not consist in your kneeling down here alone, but also in obeying implicitly the instructions of God, doing those things you are asked to do and refraining from all acts of sinfulness; accepting to serve Him by day and by night all the days of your life, without arrogating to yourself any important position but adopting the position of a slave. It is quite easy for any person who obeys the instructions of God to enter into the kingdom. For to obey is better than sacrifice and to hearken than the fat of rams.

Repent And Be Saved

You were a person very fond of adorning yourself with gold, trinkets, necklace, bangles, wrist watch, finger rings; you are a member of several secret societies but after receiving these words of life, the exhortations and injunctions of God that you should not adorn yourself with those things, you forsake them, it means you have entered. You had been a necromancer, a soothsayer, a juju priest, consulting oracles for people, deceiving them with your concoctions and defrauding them. You had been fond of keeping a number of girls for immoral behaviour or keeping a number of men to deceive them and collect money from them through sex trade. However on hearing the word of God that is sinful to consult an oracle, or indulge in concoction or have more than one woman or one man, you have immediately thrown away all your charms, talisman, fetishes, dismiss all your boyfriends and girl friends and concubines and devote your attention to the service of God, you stand saved.

You have established and owned a church denomination and have been consecrated bishop in it; or have been appointed a traditional ruler in your community and all your citizens love you; but by hearing that those who arrogate to themselves such positions are lost, unless they become like unto little children, you quickly abdicate your bishopric and throne, humble yourself, relegate yourself to the background, lower yourself and serve others and enslave yourself to them, then will you be able to enter into the kingdom.

Have A Child-Like Mind

You know what little children are, that no matter what you do to them, they are so innocent that they will not react because they have no thoughts. People do not often look for servants from among the adult and grown up men or women, but it is very common to find them asking others to look for children for them as servants. Why do they want small children as servants; because the children will fetch water, sweep the floor and dust the furniture, undertake manual task and carry faeces. All of us sitting here, are looking for children as servant. If a full grown person presents himself before you that he wants to work for you as a servant you will measure height, and then tell him to go for you will find job for him because he is too big to be a servant. From his appearance, his looks, the type of dresses he puts on and the way he talks to you will cause you to realise that his stay in your house will involve many more things; and if care is not taken he will take over the administration of the house from you and may even seduce your wife or daughter and make away with your valuable property. All of us are looking

for little children and God Himself is looking for little children. If we could humble ourselves as little children then we would be the greatest in this kingdom. You may accept to walk in the rain, walk bare foot, knock your head on the ground, sweep the floor, in your house, at your place of work, you do no look on to any person, nor quarrel, nor fight, nor begrudge any person, if you behave in this way, you are the greatest in this kingdom. Some people argue that no person has ever insulted them and they have never been engaged in menial jobs, and so they think that they are lucky. But there some others who are of the same grade, age, educational attainment and yet stoop down to help small children carry their buckets at water taps. We shall now have the golden text read to us.

Golden Text: Matthew 18:4

"Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven."

Brethren, have you heard what is read to you? The implication of the statement is that, the kingdom of God does not require money, or educational qualification or wealth or position in life. That was why our Lord Jesus Christ said. Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a Prophet greater than John the Baptist, notwithstanding, he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

The Great Should Be Servant

He also said the primes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them, but it shall not be so among you; but whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant. Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give His life as a ransom for many.

The kingdom of Jehovah God and His Christ requires

humility, somebody who is not puffed off, who abases himself, and condescends to all men always striving to do what is good and to look for the good of others. He accepts to serve others without looking for gratification for the service rendered. When you visit a brother's house, wash his clothes, go to the market and buy his needs, prepare his food, sweep his house and dust the furniture; wherever you go endeavour to serve people, in the office, at the market square, when you meet people along the street try to serve them. Do not want any person to serve you but rather serve others, this alone is the greatest position in this kingdom of God.

He Who Humbles Himself Will Be Exalted

Wherever you go to, sit at the lowest seat where you will be prepared to serve every person who requires your services, without showing any tendencies to pomposity, wisdom, intelligence, but practising the words of God you received, refraining from theft, fornication, falsehood, quarrelling and fighting and from all other vices. You should be prepared at all times to listen to God's instructions and abide by them. Who ever does all these, is the greatest in this kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Whosoever Loves Instruction Loves Wisdom

As you regard yourself as the most important personality arrogating to yourself the positions of a prophetess, or pastor or visioner, or the person who established the Bethel, or Christ Student, or Christ Servant, you are not worth anything. You are angry at flimsy things, you complain that others always disgrace you. If somebody tells you the truth, you complain that he hates you. If somebody instructs you to refrain from vices, you quarrel with him. Whosoever loves instruction loves knowledge, but he who hates reproof is brutish. If we had come here as little children prepared to receive instructions given to us and prepared to carry out these instructions in practical terms, by now we would have gone very far in this kingdom.

The work of God consists not only in God bestowing His abundant blessings on you, but in that you have to give your life as a ransom for many and also endeavour to work for the good of others. That is why it is said that this kingdom does not require any idle person but requires that all should use their hands, legs, ears, mouth, eyes and all parts of the body in the service of God.

Whoever Humbles Himself As A Child Is The Greatest

Imagine a situation in which a man drives to your house. and as soon as he gets out of the car he takes a broom and starts to sweep your floor, takes up a bucket and runs down the stream to fetch water, which you compare and contrast your position and his, how will you regard yourself in the circumstance? When such a person comes to your house he will sit at the verandah expecting a formal welcome from you, whether you will ask him to take his seat inside the sitting room. Wherever you lead he will follow, sits down quietly, if you do not speak, he does not speak, whatever you tell him to do, that will he do, how will you regard such a stranger? Compare the attitude of this man with another person who comes to your house and feels so important that he begins to puff up and shout orders to person why your house is unswept and unkempt, will ask you if you are not aware that the car outside is his and that he is a very important Government functionary and that he takes nonsense from nobody. That appears to be the greatest problem confronting us. Verily, verily I say unto you that whosoever humbles himself as a very little child is presumed the highest in the kingdom of God.

Interact Peaceably With All Men

It is a very simple action to take, whenever somebody rebukes you for committing a certain offence, you plead with him and ask him not to be exasperated. If somebody asks you to do a certain thing for him, you have to do it, but if he afterwards comes back to tell you he does not like the way and manner you have done that thing, plead with him to show,you how to do it properly. If any person comes to reprimand you for telling lies, do not be angry with him but apologize and ask him to forgive you for you will not tell lies again.

If you rebuke a certain person not to commit fornication again because it is not expedient for any person to commit fornication. He will inquire whether it is 'evil to fornicate and whether you do not commit fornication. If he realises that fornication is bad, he will from that day refrain from it. In your own case you would have caused a lot of confusion by telling people if what happened to them had happened to you, worst things would have happened and you would have made people to realise that you are the monarch of all the surveys.

And so brethren, I do not intend to be tedious unto you, one stroke of the cane is sufficient for the wise, let those who have ears hear, may God bless His words. Amen.