In the dark world, faisehood struggles to have supremacy over truth. And people wage war and not peace. The world likes war mongers but hates trouble shooters. Nepotism takes a place of merit. The poor becomes poorer and deprivation and denial become their banner in this darkworld of sins.

However, the light has come to dispel darkness. Put differently, the truth which is the light has come to put paid to unwholesome acts in the world. And as a result of this, the new world order has been evolved. The light is the embodiment of peace, patience, endurance, self-control, humility among others.

To be a man of God, you should avail yourself the opprtunity to read this book which provides penacea to the problems of mankind. This is a book of its own class. it is published to provide spiritual guidance to those who will lead the world in truth.

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# THE PEACEMAKERS

FIRST LESSON: JAMES 3:18 And the fruits of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

SECOND LESSON: MATTHEW 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

GOLDEN TEXT: ROMANS 12: 18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

#### THE HALLMARK OF GOD'S CHILDREN.

Beloved, very many people do not know how to identify the true children of God in this world and in the world to come. Some people claim that there is a certificate issued to the true children of God, while some profess that the true children of God have a common uniform. Some also erroneously think that the true children of God could be spotted out by the type of house they live in and the car they drive. This gospel seeks to reveal to you those who are the true children of God.

You have always been admonished not to steal, tell lies, fornicate and indulge in any sinful act. The things you are advised not to practice are carnal and can only be practised by the worldly people. And so, the true children of God have nothing to do with such unwholesome acts. In fact, these are the things that debar you from being a true child of God and a major hindrance to entering this kingdom. This kingdom is peace. You are told not to resist an evil doer nor indulge in other sinful acts. Therefore, once you indulge in any of these things, you lack peace and invariably are perished. Hence, you are no more God's child.

If someone asks you to go a mile with him and you refuse, then, you are not worthy to be God's child. And you will not have peace any longer. Also, if someone wants to sue you to court, so as to claim your coat and you refuse to let him have it as a means of letting the case die a natural death, then you are no longer God's child. So, if you refuse to let go your coat, and with the case to go on, then you will have no peace because your heart would be troubled for having done such unholy act. Also, if you give someone something and gc back for such thing after a second thought, peace departs from you automatically, because such an act will give birth to quarrel. Hence, you are no longer God's child.

It is to this end that you have been enjoined in the golden text thus:

# " If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men."

A spiritual song has it that: "You can take the whole world and give me Jesus, better take the world and give Jesus."

This shows that Christ is peace. It is because He is the embodiment of peace, that informs why He overcomes the world. And for that reason too He lived peaceably at all times without being bothered of how He was reviled and falsely accused.

The kingdom of God is peace, for God is peace. Where there is no peace there is no God. It is worthy to note that this kingdom of God is only meant for the peacemakers - the children of God. When you hear of peace, do not think that it is a simple virtue to possess by everyone. It is only the children of God that possess peace and live in peace.

Though wealthy and distinguished you are, so long as you are not God's true child, you are bound to lack peace. That is why Christ said that, unless you deny all that you have, you cannot be His disciple. If you are the kind of person who seeks for your own right, till doomsday you will not have peace. Also, if you are the type of person who hunts for wealth and other material things, till doomsday, you will not have peace. In the same way, those who think they are very knowledgeable can not dream about peace since they cannot accept peoples' ideas. Those who are liars, thieves, fornicators, idolaters, and other classes of sinners should forget about their intention to possess peace because they will not even dream of it let alone possessing it. That is the essence of our first lesson which goes thus:

# And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

Can you be bold enough to go and preach to a trouble monger? You would not; for he would not waste time to pick up quarrel with you. Buying or presenting a Bible to a trouble monger could be likened to keeping a pearl before a swine. The Holy Bible is only meant for the children of God. That is why it is insignificant to read it to the thieves, liars and sinners. This explains why our Lord Jesus Christ usually concluded his sermons thus: "Let he who have ears hear" But who, apart from the children of god, have ears? And so, those people who do not take the Holy Bible and the word of God as anything are not God's children. No sinner ever longs for the word of God. That is why this class of people are not peaceful as God's children.

Evil doers who are predestined to be in hell can never be interested in the word of God. Some may listen to it but would not practice a word. Some may, after being preached to, subject such preachers to punishment. This is a proof that the word of God is not meant for them but the true children of God.

It is also stated that not all the children of Isreal are true Israelites. And not all the children of Abraham are his true heirs. In the same vein, not all the Brotherhood members are true Brotherhood members For the entire world is Brotherhood, but not all are bonafide Brotherhood of the Cross and Star members. The inhabitants of the world are God's children, but not all are God's legitimate children. So beloved, have you now realised that not all were created to be hearers and doers of the word of God? Therefore, it is not expedient to be annoyed when certain people seem not to be keen for the word of God, or do you think that the word of God is meant for all? Also, peace is not meant for everyone in this kingdom. Hence is only meant for the children of God. Whereas the children of the world should not be counted among those who are peaceful and have peace.

Right from the inception of the earth, God created all things in dual nature. That is why we have the tree of life and evil. And as the former is for the children of God, the latter is for the worldly people. Some people do profess that those who have money, wealth, children and are distinguished in various aspects of life are those who have peace. But this is erronecus because money, wealth and other material things cannot give someone peace. And where there is no peace, certainly there is no God abiding there. And where there is no child of peace, there is no God as well. But wherever there is a child of peace, there is peace and there is God also.

It should be known that the children of God are born with peace. The true children of peace (the children of God ) do not see money and other material things as something very important, whereas the worldly people do. That is why the former set of people do not struggle for money and other material things, but the latter do.

When Jacob blessed his children, he told Reuben, His first son, that he would never prosper, for he defiled his father's bed. Jacob also told Simeon and Levi that the instruments of cruelty would remain in their offsprings. As such, his soul should not come into their secret; for in their anger they slew a man, and in their self-will, they digged down a wall. Cursed be their anger, for it was fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel:

"I would divide them in Jacob and scatter them in Israel". (See Genesis 49:1-7)

Following the above curse which Jacob cursed Israel, there has never been peace in Israel right from that time. People always talk about the God of Israel. But where is the God of Israel? Is God a trouble monger? Satan is in peace whenever he commits one atrocity or the other. For instance, satan would be in peace when he succeeds to dupe, deprive, kill and dominate a fellow man. Wherever the children of the world gather, if there is no violence and disorderliness, they cannot be in peace. That is the peace of the world. Whereas God's peace has no connection with evil and sins. The people of the world regard anything peaceful to connote weakness. They also term any man who is peaceful as a coward. On the other hand, the people of the world regard those who are violent to be true men. They see violence as food. This explains why you are told that the seed of righteousness is sown in peace for the peacemakers.

Read the first lesson again FIRST LESSON: JAMES 3:18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

The people of this world do not hear the word of God. That is why the scripture at John 8:47 says:

# He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

The people of the world often argue, wrongly though, that they are not sinners whenever they are asked to refrain from sinful acts. some of them even get annoyed and conspire against those who preach to them to refrain from sins. So note that the word of God is meant for the children of God. Therefore, stop being doubtful whenever you see people scoling at the word of God and hating those who preach to them. For instance if two people (one just and the other unjust) pay visit to someone and the person instructs them not to steal, tell lies, fornicate and commit all other vices, the former would imbibe some while the latter would harbour grudge against the person who gave the instruction. The latter person is always troubled in heart, that is why the feels embarrassed when being instructed to refrain from evil deeds. While the man of God, would not be troubled in heart, but ready to abide by all the instructions given him in order to have peace of mind.

The people of the world love violent and hate defeat, that is why they seek for a way to harm you, should you preach to them not to resist the evil doer, while the man of God on the other hand would strictly adhere to the advice.

Some of you do wonder why the men and servants of god are often hated by people. But I am going to give you reasons for such action in this gospel. For instance the people of the world build prayer houses, study rooms, oracle rooms, hospitals, prisons etc. to admit, deceive and dupe the ignorant people. It is through this that they earn their living. But when you are being godly, go and liberate such people who were their captives with the power of the Holy Spirit, they become your arch-enemies because you have paralaysed their source of income. Have you now seen the "bad" thing you do to the worldly people, hence, you are hated by them?

#### THE SEED OF RIGHTEOUSNESS:

The people of the world do not accept the truth, but the people of God do. The people of the world are fond of suppressing others. They are those who would not allow their wives to engage in any business ventures. They want their wives to be fulltime house wives. They are also those who deprive their subordinates of their rights in offices when you make any attempt to preach equal right and justice to them as well as freedom, they would not imbibe such teachings, rather, they would hate you for teaching them such things. But these things are not done by the children of God for they always embrace and seek for peace. This is why the seed of righteousness is said to be sown for the peacemakers. The people of God have peace, whereas the people of the world are in war perpetually.

You should be aware of the fact that any man of God who is imprisoned is in perfect peace. Recall the case of Joseph who was imprisoned, but was later given the crown of life. A man of God is always in peace whether in lack or in affluence, even when he is healthy, ill, educated, uneducated, barren on productive. But the people of the world are not, even when they are rich, wealthy, healthy, educated, distinguished. They are always in war of life and are in hell. The children of God always have peace of mind. That is why they do not feel depressed when they find themselves in any adverse condition because they are always with God, while the people of the world always feel rejected and dejected in any adverse condition they find themselves.

Christ enjoins us thus: "And into whatever city or town you shall enter, inquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till you go thence. And when you com into a house, salute it. And if the house by worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy; let your peace return to you. And whoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when you depart out of the house or city, shake off the dust of your feet. (Matt. 10:11-14) Our Lord Jesus Christ has come to take all those who are His and were anxiously waiting for Him. So do not be annoyed with anyone who shuns the word of God. What is needed at this end of time is righteousness and no sinful act is needed.

The children of God only seek for peace, that is why they are free from problems. Whereas the people of the world do not seek for peace, hence, they are encountering series of problems. Do not be deceived that God is ever with any sinner. For such people do not have God. But those who do not comit sin are ever with God. If you cast your mind back, you would recall that Christ used only twelve disciples to convert the world to God. And as many as followed Him dwelleth with peace. The group of the children of God do not need a great multitude of people, but righteous and worthy people. For the later people, though few in number would sin no more. The scripture has it that, "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom". This is a veritable truth because anyone who is God fearing does not sin. It is this kind of person who would be in peace at all times.

# **JACOB AND HIS CHILDREN:**

I am now going to narrate to you why Jacob was annoyed with two of his children earlier talked about in this gospel. When Jacob and his children were settling in a certain city, the son of the king of that city put Jacob's daughter into a family way. When the pregnancy became noticeable, Jacob went to protest to the king about his son's action. The king then pleaded with Jacob not to worry as he would maintain and care for his daughter during and after the pregnancy. The only condition Jacob placed before the king was for all the inhabitants of his city to be circumized and the king accepted. By the time of this agreement, Levi and Simeon who were the true brothers of the impregnated woman (Jacob's daughter) were there and they did not make any statement. The very night which the king accepted Jacob's proposal, Simeon and Levi went with soldiers to destroy the city and its inhabitants.

And when Jacob heard about the unwholesome action of his two children, he was annoyed. This annoyance lives on till date. This was why the two brothers were cursed by their father, Jacob. Now the question is, if Levi and Simeon were peaceful and allowed the king to introduce circumcision into his city so that its inhabitants might become Abraham's heirs and they all became one, what evil would have been there? And what did Simeon and Levi gain for killing the King and all the inhabitants of the City?

This explains why the scripture warns that: "if it be possible as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men'. This is the fullness of time for the sheep to be separated from the goats. In other words, it is high time God separated the peacemakers (the just) from the violent (the unjust). And after such separation, even if it is only two righteous people that survive the separation, is alright, for the two are God's only legitimate children.

Read our second lesson again.

# SECOND LESSON: MATTHEW 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

#### PEACE IS FROM GOD:

Any person who claims to be Christ or one of Christ's disciples but wallows in sinful acts should be avoided because such a person is not a truthful person. But should you come across anyone who makes such claims and does not indulge in any sinfulness, you should accept such a person because he is truthful and he is actually Christ's. You can bear witness to the fact that God is peace. Peace is not mundane things which abound in the world, rather, it is God. That is why you hear people say: *'PEACE OF GOD'* when they exchange pleasantries. This is a proof that God is the only supplier of peace.

When the peace of God is infused into seomeone's life, the things which were hitherto impossible with such person would be possible. You see those who once vowed not to serve god would come to serve Him diligently after the peace of God might have been infused into them.

At all times, our Lord Jesus Christ gave His peace to all the children of God. So, the preoccupation of the children of God should be to seek for peace of God at the expense of the material things of this world for once you have peace you would not have any other cause to reject the word of God. What the children of God have in abundance which the people of the world lack greatly is peace. And a child of God is always capable of restoring peace to wherever there is war. Peace is the greatest of all things, that is why you always have every good thing in abundance at any place where there is peace. Things are always well with the children of God at the expense of the people of the world. This is so because the peace which is possessed by the children of God has become the embodiment of all good things. For instance, Isaac who was a child a peace, turned every place he went to into wealth.

As wicked and ungrateful as the people of the world were, they decided to eject isaac from the place. They did this because they were afraid of being dominated by Isaac because of the power of God in Him. Isaac was banished from the city for no just cause. Isaac bad to leave the place for some other place. There and then things started going rough in his former place of abode. And when the inhabitants of the place saw all things to have fallen apart, they went back to Isaac and pleaded with him to return to his former place of abode. When Isaac received the delegation of the city, he asked them their purpose. Then they told him to come back to his former abode for he was a man of peace. Thereafter, Isaac organised and made feast for them. Such is the impact of the children of God (men of peace).

Whenever the children of God are in a particular place, such an area is likely to be in affluence. But whenever they leave such a place, things automatically change for worse. That is why you witness joy, happiness and peace at its highest magnitude wherever the children of God dwell. Also, if a child of peace who is a true child of God enters your house, all differences and disorderliness which hitherto prevailed will cease instantly. So, note that this is what is used to ascertain who is a true child of God.

No matter now wicked, violent, harden and tyrant a person is, once he sees the children of God (the people of peace), he is bound to prostrate and beg for help. This is the sign that all the children of God must possess. Therefore, if you search yourself and find out that this sign is lacking, you need to put yourself into fervent prayer, for God has forsaken you because of one thing or the other. And in order to bring him back to your life, you need to plead for forgiveness. That is why the children of God religiously look for peace, mercy, gentleness, meekness, patience, humility, unity among other virtues as opposed to segregation, hatred and the like. And so, any place you are where you happen to notice violence. differences, disobedience, quarrel, segregation among other negative tendencies, you need to leave such a place without delay, for God is not present there. In the contrary, any place where there is no fighting, quarreling, division, disobedience such is God's city. Hence, you need not ask any question. Anybody who is not quarrelsome, violent, or disobedient, but who is always expressing the virtues of love, mercy, patience, temperance, humility, and goodness know that God indwells in such a person.

The Apostles and Evangelists are peaceful set of people. God is the Prince of peace. And once He injects into you such peace, you automatically become problems-free irrespective of any travailling conditions. You would then be in peace at all times and would not be bothered by any thing of this world. so, whenever you see the sinners, violent, tyrant, trouble mongers etc, who claim to have God then, know that it is not correct. For God has never been found in such people.

If a particular place is prohibited from the members of the public, the people of the world would not make any conscious attempt to approach such a place at ease without being molested by anyone. When people see that, they attribute it to juju or evil power in ignorance of the fact that is the manifestation of the signs possessed by the children of God.

#### THE CASE OF SAUL AND DAVID:

When Saul and David waged war against each other, Saul was alerted that David was hiding in Prophet Samuel's house. On hearing his, Saul ordered soldiers to go and behead David and bring his head to him. But when the soldiers went to David, they were met with peace as such, they settled down to eat the food which they were served with. Thereafter, they revealed the evil intention sponsored by Saul to him. While there, the three soldiers began to praise David and said that his work had no parallel. They all had a long conversation with one another and later in the evening, the soldiers were seen off by David. And when the soldiers returned to Saul, he asked them about David's head. And the reply they gave was that they saw David but did not like to behead him. They later asked Saul what wrong David had done to him to account for his death. And Saul was annoyed and decided to kill David himself. When the soldiers told Saul the reason why they did not kill David, they were not killed. This is why I always tell you that once you are a true child of God, nobody can blame you.

# THE PRINCE OF PEACE:

God is the prince of peace. And it is peace which he uses to rule over the whole world. When Saul got to Samuel's house, he alighted from his chariot to go and slay him. But before he could know himself, he was carried by the Holy Spirit. There he started Prophesying. And in seeing David whom he intended to kill, he rather asked him in a peaceful way when he would be back. Thereafter, they ate on the same table and they had to bury their hatchet.

This is a proof to you that God is peace. And wherever a child of peace is, peace, harmony and tranquility prevail. After a chat with David, Saul was seen off.

When God dwells in you, you have no cause to regret. There is spirit and wherever the spirit of the Lord dwells, there is liberty. Where there is God, things are done orderly. And where there is no God, there is bound to be disorderliness.

#### **EFFECT OF ANGER:**

You should know that Satan is not snake, fish, air, tree etc, rather, Satan constitutes anger. Because without anger, one would not segregate, curse, hate and indulge in similar manner. On the other hand, God is not tree, food, fish air, rather; God is peace. And once He injects into you the spirit of peace, you would be alright with any prevailing condition. With peace, your utterances are always blessings and not curses. Each and every virtue has its separate functions. But peace is the kingdom of God and it overrides any other virtue.

Read the golden text again.

GOLDEN TEXT: ROMANS 52:18: If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

# PEACE: THE CELESTIAL ATTRIBUTE:

Peace is the only virtue which encourages peaceful co-existence in the world. Saul, before he was made king, opposed the injunction of prophet Samuel. This was when he went to war when Samuel did not commission him. Though he attributed such impatient to the fear he had for the enemies. The price he had to pay for such disobedience was the split of his kingdom, symoblised by the tearing of Samuel's priesthood garment.

If Saul was not deserted by God and the peace departed from him, he would not have been impatient. So, note from this that once you are deserted by God and the peace departed from you, things are bound to be very rough with you.

The aftermath of the Saul's war was his flight together with other distinguished Jews. When little David who took food to his people in the war front saw and hear Goliath bragging, he was annoyed. So, he decided to challenge Goliath, though Saul and other top military officers who fled from Goliath advised him not to. As God would do His things, and because David was a true child of God, he used a stone to kill Goliath. God was with David, hence, he was victorious. It is David who was the real king chosen by God.

I have every reason to enjoin you not to hate a fellow man and not to be unhappy about another person's progress. Encouraged by the victory of David, the women sang song of victory in praise of the young David thus:

# Saul halth slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands. (see 1st Samuel 18:7)

God knows what you lack and the time you should be given such a thing. That is why you are often enjoined to be patient and shur presenting endless requests before God. This is what killed most of the people of Isreal. God hand already made it clear that there shall be a root of Jesse (Romans 15:12):-

> And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesses, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust.

God is a perfect planner and designer. So, all the things which were to happen in the world had already been designed by God. For instance, note the reply God gave to the mother of James and John when she besought Christ to grant that her two children should be on His both hands. And they said unto him we can. And Jesus said unto them, Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized: But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared. (Mark 10:39-40).

You cannot instruct God on what to do for ever before the foundation of the world, God had already kept all things in their respective positions. So, you need not struggle for anything, because no amount of struggle can avail you more than what you were meant for. Did you know this fact before now?

After the Israelites might have reached the promised land, Cannan, arrogance and pride did not allow them to leave all things to God. They bluntly forgot about the fact that it was predestined that, the king would emerge from the tribe of Jesse. Little did they believe in the efficacy of this testament. That was why they asked Samuel to appoint a king to rule over them. Samuel was annoyed to hear such plea from the people. But God told Samuel not to be annoyed for He would provide for them a king. That was why Saul who was not even predestined to be a king was made who was not even predestine. Saul was made a king so that he might rule over the Israelites with an iron hand as a price for being impatient. This is why you are asked not to ask God to grant you everything, for at the fullness of time, your needs would be supplied by God.

Some of you in this kingdom make request for material things because you are ignorant of where you are. If you were to be conscious of where you are, you would not have been begging God to grant your requests. You would only be waiting for His will to prevail. Saul was a tyrant king. The Israelites deserved this because they were impatient.

This is exactly what happens in Nigeria. Instead of allowing God to appoint a good leader for them Nigeria prayed for military rule. And as a result of their impatience, God sent President Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida to rule them as a tyrant. David who was the true heir to the throne, because he was the offspring of Jesse, was made the king of Israel. Since that was God's choice, there was no political upheaval during his tenure in Israel. And David was the youngest child in the family. Since the kingship was meant for him and as impartial as God is in His dealings, He had to recognise David through Prophet Samuel irrespective of age, position and status, as the king.

If it was the worldly making, partiality would have been adopted, hence David would not have been favored. Note that at the time David was ordained as the king of Israel, Saul was still the king on the throne. And since it was not possible to make David to succeed Saul, all issues to that effect were abandoned at that time, giving way for God's will to prevail. But if it were you, you would haven been struggling to dethrone and not to allow the will of God to manifest. That is why I continue to tell you that none of you knows this kingdom. For if you were to know been you would not have been haboving the way you do.

Right from the time the issues were abandoned in Israel in order to give way to God's glory to manifest, things started falling apart until David was made to successed Saul. To know that Saul was not a true king of Israel as chosen by God, have you been hearing anything about the house of Saul? Saul and his two sons were killed one day in the battle field. And that marked the end of that family. But have you not been hearing about David till date?

It is time you know that it is wrong to struggle for anything. The only rational thing to do is to wait for God's will to come to manifestation. And do not do anything which requires you to bribe someone else in order to get it. Know that anything from God is always free of charge for He is the Prince of Peace.

Peace is not a simple virtue to possess and if you can posses it and be able to live fully with one another, you would have your rewards. That is why the children of God live peacefully with everyone at all times. I am using this medium to plead with you to shun violence and embrace peace. You should leave everything to God even if you are deprived of your right, hated, conspired against, duped, cheated or suppressed. God always desires to visit man when he is in peace. That is why you are asked to live peacefully with all men at all times so that whenever God wants to visit you, He would not come to meet you in quarrel and thereby, forsaking you. This is so because God only dwells in the place where peace and harmony prevail.

God is here on earth. He is the Prince of peace. He is also omnipotent. Therefore, you need to bring peace to humanity by living in peace with your fellow man. The true children of God are peaceful and they are sure of salvation. Anyone who scoff at peace here on earth is a child of perdition. Anyone who had quarrelled but later repented is forsaken by God. Now ponder over this, if heaven is claimed to be God's dwelling place and there are unwholesome acts and negative tendencies as quarreling, anger, segregation, war, violence among others, would you term such a place as God's dwelling place?

#### PEACE IS HEAVEN:

Heaven is merely a name attached to the place where God resides, while earth is merely a name attached to beneath. (See Genesis Chapter 1:1 and 8). The heaven you hear about is a mere name. The real name of heave is peace.

'Our Father who art in heaven' as we always say during the Lord's prayer, is the peace is the question. And such peace is bestowed on you whenever you are righteous. But immediately you indulge in sins, the peace leaves you. That is why you are more blessed when you confess your sins before being prayed for than being prayed for with the heap of sins on you.

This explains why I always ask you any moment you come to me whether you are annoyed or begrudge anybody so that you should repent. And after your response, I further ask you to confess your sins after which I would bestow peace upon you. Peace comes after confession of one's sin. And this is so because at the time you commit sins you are miles away from peace of God.

Love constitutes oneness; that is taking everybody equally; and accepting people as yourself.

Mercy is to have sympathetic mind to people at all times. And it means not imputing sins to people. Mercy does not conspire against anybody. In short, mercy is always forgiving. But peace is very different from the above virtues for it crowns it all. Those who do not possess peace are perpetually in troubles. So let us try hard to live peacefully with people at all times. For this is the task to accomplished by all the children of God. Once peace eludes you, then you are perished. God had bestowed us with peace and nothing more. And when we have peace, we will overcome the world and more so, we will not be faced with perpetual problems.

It is said that a stroke of the cane is enough for a wise. Let those who have ears hear what the Holy Spirit has imparted to the whole world. May God bless his words. Amen

# **MAGNIFY HIS GLORY.**

FIRST LESSON: JOHN 12: 49: For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.

**GOLDEN TEXT: JOHN 7: 18:** 

He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: he but that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.

# **ALWAYS SEEK FOR GOD'S GLORY:**

Beloved, this gospel is not directed to only the members of Bro therhood of the Cross and Star but to all the inhabitants of the world. The fish, birds, animals of all descriptions and His entire creation share in this gospel. Therefore, it behoves everybody to adhere strictly to this message.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is the truth. Throughout His advent, He did not utter any word out of His own volition but according to the will of the Father. He is the only one who represents the mouthpiece of God. This explains why He is the truth and the only accomplisher of truth. It was in support of this position that He openly declared that, He and the Father are one. Throughout His Ministry on earth, Our Lord Jesus Christ neither did anything nor spoke any word out of His own volition, rather, all His dealings were as directed by the Father.

The real cause of the problems confronting man on earth today is as a result of the search for individual glory against the injunctions of the Father. Adam, our first father on earth sought for his personal glory and because of that, he deviated from God's instruction. He did those things which God did not want him to do purely out of His own volition. For instance, when Adam was deceived that, if he ate of the forbidden fruit, he would be as wise as God, he hearkened to it. And this he did in order to achieve his own glory. This singular problem is what is confronting mankind in this generation. This is the message this gospel intends to bring to your awareness; that whoever does anything out of his own volition does not seek for the glory of God but for his own glory. On the other hand, anyone who lives according to God's instruction seeks for the glory of God.

The members of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in particular and the entire people of the world have derailed from the Father's divine instruction, hence, they are confronted with untold problems. God has nothing to do with cheating, segregation, hatred, deprivation and all other evil acts. Instead, He is virtuous and teaches us to posses love. But as a result of human lust for self-glory, man has deviated from the tenets of love to embrace ephemeral things. A close look at the whole world would reveal that people behave according to their individuals self-willed attitudes. It is because of this that life has eluded the whole world. If we all should right from now live according to God's instruction, then we would be truthful in our ways.

If we also abide by God's advice by forsaking fighting, criticism, quarreling and opposing the will of God, we would be the real children of God. Always do what God tells you to do and refrain from being recalcitrant. It is true that a messenger does not speak in parables. In several occasions, I do commission you to go and accomplish the set tasks on my behalf. But in the process, you accomplish a portion of the task and remain some parts. Thereafter, you claim to have done much. But I am telling you the veritable truth that , you have done little or nothing in this case. No one who does this should ever claim to have served God in earnest. You are God's messengers hence, you have no right whatsoever to contravene his injunctions. Therefore, you need to do all that he instructs you to do irrespective of what your feeling is about such instructions.

The Father has instructed you not to segregate, but you bluntly continue to segregate as a result of seeking for own glory. Once you contravene the directives of the Holy Spirit it means that you are seeking for your own glory and not God's. All year round, the Father has been instructing us to refrain from all manners of sinfulness. Paul as you may have read in the scripture did not live according to his personal will but as the Father directed hence, when he was commissioned to go to Jerusalem and was told that while in Jerusalem, he would be imprisoned, he still abided by the Father's instruction, not minding the consequence. This is a clear indication that Paul did not seek for his own glory but the glory of God. Although Paul was warned by his brethren not to go to Jerusalem in order not to be imprisoned, yet he went ahead. And it was as result of his obedience to God's advice that the glory of God was revealed.

Another instance was the encounter of Pilate with Our Lord Jesus Christ during His trail. Pilate Had privately advised Christ to escape in order not to be killed, but Christ refused to flee, because He was seeking for God's glory a the expense of his own. During the exodus of the children of Israel from the land of Egypt, God directed them to a land He wished them to settle and serve Him. But the Israelites, after a close look at the land objected and informed God that the said land was not conducive to living since its inhabitants were violent and war-like. But God in response told them that there was no other land apart from the one He had shown them.

It is those who claim to know God and serve Him diligently who turn round to disobey Him. And as a result, they suffer seriously. There is none who knows God for if you were to know Him, you would not have disobeyed Him and one things out of your own volition. There is nothing as good and profitable as being obedient to God. Always do what God enjoin you to do for by so doing, it would be well with you.

On Saul's way to Damascus, Our Lord Jesus Christ revealed Himself to him and asked Him why He was a stumbling block to His followers. Thereafter, a great light entered Saul's eyes and he became blind. In order to help him receive back his sight, Ananias was commissioned to go and pray for him. But at first, Ananias refused, having heard of the cruel story of Saul with Christ's followers. But later, he obliged to God's advice and went to Saul and restored his sight. But the question is, between Saul and Ananias, who did the greater work of God? This is a proof that it is always very imperative and expedient for you to be obedient to God.

Our Lord Jesus Christ was ordained by God and commissioned to rule over all. Hence, all were enjoined to worship Him. But since He was neither from a royal family nor a priestly family, none was ready to obey and worship Him. For this reason, the whole world is suffering today. The scripture has it that, anyone who wages war against God's ministers is waging war against God Himself. Therefore, should any of you wage war against any minster of the Father, leader's representative and others who represent the Father in their various duty posts, you are indirectly waging war against the Holy Father. So, at all times you need to be patient and responsible to anyone commissioned by the Father to lead irrespective of his or her status or height.

#### FEAR GOD'S PEOPLE:

Anyone who wages war against such people is inviting untold hardship and perdition to himself. None would have been confronted with any problem in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. But as a result of the fact that you all are seeking for your glory, you are faced with problem. It is said that, a child who walks circumspectfully would kill what had killed his father, but any child who walks according to his father's steps would also be killed by what had killed his father. For instance, when the Israelites were with Moses, they were not satisfied with God who Moses had shown them and because of that, they demanded for a special god.

In the absence of Moses, they mounted pressure on Aaron to make for them a god of golden calf. The aftermath of this was a great disaster, the death toll was great. So, there is also a proof that at all times we need to abide by the injunctions given to us by God. Avoid doing things out of your own authority.

In another instance God commanded Moses to point the staff at the rock, but he rather used the staff to strike at the rock out of foolishness and ignorance. Hence, till date, his corpse is yet to be seen as a result of his disobedience. When the Israelites got to the promised land, they were not patient enough to wait for God to provide them with a king, rather, they demanded that Samuel should appoint the a King. Then, Samuel was annoyed because his people were impatient. But God told him not to be annoyed for He would provide for them a king. But before then, it was predestined by God that a king should emerge from Jesse. Later, Saul appointed a king to the Israelites. As a punishment, Saul was a tyrant king so much that the israelites suffered a lot during his reign. There came a time when Samul was to be commissioned by Samuel to go and wage war against a certain city. but since Saul was patient enough to wait for Samuel to commissioned him, he went out of his own volition to fight the enemies. Hence, his royal garment was torn into four parts symbolising the end of kingship. Some of you claim to know Olumba Obu. But does your act of disobeying Him and His advice depict that you know Him? So beloved, I am pleading with you to refrain from your former lifestyles and embrace the teachings of the Father. For, if you adhere to this instruction then your claim to know Olumba Obu would be authentic.

Always do what you are told to do by the Father and avoid being led by your own human for the blind can never lead a fellow blind man. It is not correct for you to claim to know the Father whereas the Father does not know you. So long as you are recalcitrant to those appointed by the Father to lead you, you do not know the Father nor does the Father know you. The Father officially appointed the leaders' representatives to superintend over certain groups of people on His behalf. But you luntly disobey such people and contravene their directive yet you claim to know Olumba Obu and be known by Him. Note that this kind of claim is erroneous in the sense that your behaviour is at variance with the teachings of the Father.

#### THE CASE OF IBESIKPO PEOPLE:

This was the situation faced by the people of Ibesikpo in Uyo Local Government in Akwa Ibom State. I did not waste any time to dismiss them when they came to me with the claim to know and love me, when they failed to regard Brother Titus - the person I commissioned to superintend over them. Because of my reaction, they learnt a great lesson and since then things have been streamlined in the place.

Also, the people of Itam and Ibiono still in Akwa Ibom State did what the people of Ibsekipo did. In their own case, they disobeyed the leader's representative sent to them by the Father. They also had the effrontery to remove the location of their Pentecostal Centre from lkot Ene Itam which they earlier chose to Mbak Itam. It is high time you stopped such nonsense. If you are not prepared to take the Father's directives, you better go home for the Father has no room for disobedient people.

Furthermore, a similar situation took place in London between a member and the Leader's Representative. When the Father effected every change there peace was restored in the place. Now, everything is going on smoothly in London. I have also enjoined the people of Itam and Ibiono to note that Ikot Ene Itam is now the headquarters of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in that area. The one built at Mbak is also Botherhood of the Cross and Star but I recognise Ikot Ene Itam, irrespective of the magnificent building at Mbak. So if you need peace and prosperity in your life, you need to surrender your thought and action to the dictate of the Father. You should also recognise those the Father commissions to superintend over you. All that the Father wants is complete peaceful co-existence of all and not violence.

#### THE CASE OF OHAFIA ABIA STATE:

Of all Ohafia villages, Esiafor is the smallest and the most relegated. But places like Ebem, Ehu among others are big. In fact, Ehu is the headquarters as far as Ohafia is concerned in terms of development, but there was no building assigned as the Pentecostal Centre. But as God would do his things, Etop went to Esiafor and erected a very magnificent building. And I made the place, the Pentecostal Centre. It is not compulsory that you worship there, instead all those who wish should go there and those who do not want can worship elsewhere. The Father does not take cognizance of physical development when deciding on where to make Pentecostal Centre, instead, He is after such a place that first provides a befitting building for worship. Build what ever building you wish to God but do not change or attempt to change God's earlier design.

#### THE CASE OF ABA - ABIA STATE:

You also need to honour and recognize all those God commissions to superintend over you else, your claim to know the Father and be known by the Father is untenable. In the same vein, things went rough in Aba sometime ago, because the members there refused to accept the person God appointed to them as their Leader's Representative but wanted a learned person. But when the said brother was later taken away by the Father, the Father then appointed an elder at the expense of all the university oraduates there as Aba's leader's representative. Right from then till now, the older is recognised and listened to. Accordingly things are now going on well in Aba. I am not the doer of these things but the Father.That is why I do not want any of you to reject whatever pronouncement I make.

A lot of you are ignorant in the sense that, instead of recognising those the Father assigned to superintend over you in order to promote God's work and glory, you rather reject them. This means you are scattering abroad instead of gathering to the growth and glory of God's work.

Following the instruction I have given to the people of Itam in Akwa Ibom, peace has now been restored there right from that moment. It is high time each person concentrated in his own area of assignment instead of interferring in what another does. In the whole world and as far as Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is concerned, it is the Father who has the sole authority to appoint or ordain anybody.

#### THE CASE OF ITU:

When I gave Itu Iocal government area a Pentecostal centre, the entire people of Itu and Ibiono were all one. It was they who chose the present Pentecostal Centre as a temporal centre. But can the Father not make what was formerly temporal, permanent? If the answer is yes, why then are the two communities still troubled over the site of their Pentecostal Centre? Have I ever ordered for the removal of the site of the said Pentecostal centre to Mbak? Is it not because of seeking for your own glory that you gave engaged in such trouble? Stop seeking for centres in all the areas, for Christ who is omnipresent is the only centre. The scripture has enjoined us thus:

> In all things sewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine sewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may; be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you. (Titus 2:7-8).

This explains why I am emphasising strongly in this gospel about this very issue so that, those who hitherto were part of it may be called to order by taking precaution.

Read our first lesson again:

FIRST LESSON: JOHN 12 : 49: For i have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what i should say, and what i should speak.

# **GOD HAS NO DEPUTY:**

Beloved, I do not have any deputy here in the kingdom. Therefore, all the individual groups and their dealings with me have to be official and documented. For by so doing, there will be no more controversy over issues. Also, I am not the doer of anything here in the kingdom, rather, it is the Holy Spirit who does all the works. So, note that the troubles and differences that abound in our bethels, areas, zones and states are caused by your act of seeking for your own glory. It is always very disastrous to go contrary to history. It is also disastrous to go contrary to God's injunction. Hence, the people of the world are in a disastrous state.

If you regard 34 Ambo, as the headquarters of B.C.S, what then would you call Biakpan? Or would you say Biakpan is a subheadquarter? Always be obedient to God and shun being recalcitrant, for in the end, the obedient would receive good reward from God, while the disobedient would be condemned. Also note that anything that is not planted by the Father would be rooted up. Therefore, when you see your business which was booming starts to decline, know that is not of God and you too are not godly.

Whatever thing or business you see growing from strength to strength and enduring for ever, know that it is of God and managed by people.

#### THE FUTURE OF BIAKPAN:

God has his own ways of doing things which do not conform with the thought of men. Biakpan for instance, is the promised land of God. Moreover, God would not fail to use it as supposed irrespective of its developmental attainment. So, stop thinking, deciding or doing things out of your own volition. Rather, go in accordance with what you are instructed to do by the Father. This advice goes to all and sundry in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star irrespective of positions held, for none on his or her own could do anything.

I had earlier given a mandate that in all what you do, the starting point should be Biakpan. And a lot of you have been practising this injunction and have equally been reaping its benefits. Let us not seek for our own glory at the expense of God's glory, rather, we should seek for God's glory after which we shall be glorified. For instance, one man in Ukwa built his house and named it " New Jerusalem". But is this correct? Is it not in search of his own glory at the expense of God's? Most members of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star have neglected Biakpan and claimed 34 Ambo to be world headquarters. Whereas to God, Biakpan is the home, mother and cradle of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star.

Your attempt to go to Jerusalem for pilgrimage is insignificant, for apart from Biakpan, there is no other Jerusalem in existence. Who is in the spirit knows the New Jerusalem. But a lot of you do not know this fact because you all are in the flesh. Our assignment is not to go where the men of God or churches abound to preach, instead we are to go to where people are ignorant of the presence of God on earth. We are to go to where there is no church and preach the word of the Father. Just as Christ said:

> they that are whole have no need of the physicians, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. ( Mark 2 : 17).

Preaching to people in the urban areas is not the real duty of Brotherhood, instead, you should go into the villages and hamlets and preach to the people who are still in darkness. This is because, if we concentrate our activities in the urban areas, the villages and hamlets would continue to be neglected while the towns and cities get on expanding. For instance, the village of Ehom in Biase Local Government Area in Cross River State has hitherto been neglected. In fact, illiteracy was the order of the day in the village ever since. The village was so neglected that, there was no single motorable road leading to the place. But because of the grace of the Father, he asked pastor Ekpo to go and help the people since they did not have any distinguished person in the government or at home to help them. Before then the villages of Liurike, Akpet, Umon and others were waging war against the Ehom people. The village had remained in ruin for many years because she lacks personalities. But when the Pastor and others commissioned by the Father got there and prayed for them things changed for the better automatically. Today, the place is a town. There are good road leading to the place.

Also, around Arochukuw, in Abia State, there is a village called Uteme which hitherto was in darkness. But some after the Father sent some brethren to the place, things started changing; it is now a town. But instead of you too to embark on evangelism to the undeveloped areas so that they too may be developed, you restrict your activities to the towns and cities because you do not want to be deprived of the comfort of this world. You hate being sent to rural area. But I am telling you that you are not practising the real Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in this case. So, you should stop concentrating your evangelical activities in the Pentecostal Centres.

Go to the villages and hamlets and preach to the people. By so doing, you would provide light and development to such rural areas. Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is one. The Leader of Brotherhood too is one and does not segregate. Therefore, he is always at anywhere He is worshipped, irrespective of the location of such place. For instance, if you are told in the past that there would be several pentecostal centres apart from 34 Ambo Pentecostal Hall would you have believed? You would not, but today luckily, you have seen with your eyes.

#### THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD AGITATE ENDLESSLY:

In the world, communities which are not granted a separate local government areas of their own do jealous others. In the same vein, such worldly behaviour is now extended to the kingdom of God. It is common to see those whose villages which are not made pentecostal centres, getting lealous of the villages which have. because of this jealousy that even some families in the local government area with three or more bethels demand for their own separate pentecostal centres. Little do they know that, I can even put a stop to the issue of opening new pentecostal centres. But I have my reasons for allowing it now. Do not extend what is practiced in

the world into this kingdom, for all what I do here are directed by the Father. Now if you are asked to state the purposes of opening new Pentecostal Centres, would you be able to name one?

Our Lord Jesus Christ had told His disciples to go and make all the nations His disciples. And since this is a very easy avenue through which salvation could come to the world, therefore, it behoves us all to demphasise the issues of pentecostal centres but to out to preach to the whole word. The practice of decentraodization Pentecostal Centries was necessitated because of the high cost of transportation among other inconveniences often experienced by members. So, establishing pentecostal centres it at different strategic points helps to reduce the cost of travelling to 34 Ambo Street, Calabar for our quarterly Pentecostal Assembly. It has therefore afforded greater percentage of people the opportunity to hear about the kingdom without necessarily travelling to Calabar. This is a proof that the Father is present every where but not in 34 Ambo Street alone as people erroneously believe.

#### THE HOLY SPIRIT IS OMNIPRESENT:

The idea of opening new Pentecostal Centres also helps to unite rnembers in a particular area so that they can team up for the growth and progress of God's work. If members live independently from each other nothing can work well. All you need to do is to make sure that love prevails in wherever you are. Where ever there is love, I am lavishly existing their. So, all we need is love. Before now, many of you were in the habit of meeting the Father physically without which you were not happy. I wish to correct the erroneous impression now. The Holy Father is at all places. Therefore, go and build as many houses as possible for I am there. The word of God must be spread to every nook and cranny.

# WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE:

You would recall that when Our Lord Jesus Christ told His disciples that, it is impossible for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God, they were amazed and worried being that, they were keen about material possessions. In utter dismay, they asked Him of who then would be saved? Christ looked at them, and then told them that, with men it is impossible but with God all things are possible. (Read Matthew 19:24-26) God is wiser than man and He

alone can do everything according to His design. I am very mindful of the way I deal with man. It is in so doing that, I am always able to uncover your intrigues. Without this, it would not have been easy for me to get you changed. And so, it is completely out of place for any man to want to give a counter injunction against my pronouncement. I had earlier appointed Apostle Edet Akpan the Leader's Representative for Itu. Nobody has the right to challenge this appointment. He oversees the activities of Brotherhood for the Cross and Star in Itu Local Government Area.

I know why I had allowed Ibiono to remain a component part of Itu Local Government Area. Now that it has pleased me to give Ibiono a Pentecostal Centre nobody should question my authority. Before the creation of Ibiono as a pentecostal centre from Itu, the work there has not been very encouraging. The pentecostal proceeds had always been very meager but now the difference is clear. You can now see the growth of the Father's work in the cathedral built there. But for the creation of that Pentecostal unit, there would not have been any growth in the Father's work there.

# HE IS THE CAUSE AND EFFECT OF ALL EVENTS:

I am the door of everything in this kingdom. I know when to bring you together and when to allow you to function as sub-units for the growth of the work of God. I am the only one to oversee the activities of man. Even if you hide in your inner room to do anything I know how to get you and indeed to overcome your intrigues. From now hence-forth, they should be no cause for alarm. Apostle Edet Akpan Archibong remains the leader's Representative for the Area. He is responsible for coordinating the activities of the Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in both Itam and Ibiono. Nobody has the right to oppose him.

Read the golden text again:

GOLDEN TEXT: JOHN 7:18: He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.

## AVOID SELF-GLORIFICATION:

Whoever works towards his own glory has erred. You should not

for any reason speak of yourself. If you do, you have invariably proved that you are not from the Father. It is very common to hear someone saying, 'the Father said this or that should happen'. And a careful analysis of his information would reveal that he is seeking for his personal glory and not that of the Father. I do not seek for my own glory but the glory of God. Everything that is done here in the kingdom is to the glory of God. The reverse is the case with the people of the world. They make themselves Bishops, Pastors, Apostles etc all in a bid to arrogate glory to themselves. They have deviated from the actual assignment of loving one another by preaching the gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ had commissioned His disciples to go into the world and teach them the word of God, baptising them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. (Read Matthew 28:19-20). The summary of this assignment is for all to practice love in the world. The same commission has also been given to you in this close of age. Whatever thing you feel you can do in this kingdom, you are free to do it provided it centres around love which is the most needed attribute of those to inherit this kingdom. This love is not limited to you and immediate member of your family. It is a universal assignment. God is a universal Father. He sees all the activities of His creation. And the love He wants us to exhibit is universal.

I do not seek for my personal glory but for the glory of God. God's glory is embodied in the love. The Father is not for a particular tribe. He is a universal Father hence all tribes and tongues have equal share in this kingdom and His blessing is for all. Therefore, anybody who encourages divisive tendencies should blame himself and such a person is seeking for his glory.

# THE AIM OF THE WORLD:

The people of the world are in search of their individual glory resort to answering such titles as Bishop, Pope, Pastor, Reverend, Apostle, Prophet among others. Even within the same religious fold, there are divisions in Akamkpa (CRS) for instance, some brethren constitute themselves into faction causing problems. Although these factions still call themselves Brotherhood yet they do not share anything in common. This has resulted in a serious problem. It has gone to an extent that if you are baptized in particular bethel, you cannot worship in another bethel loyal to the other faction. Would you say that this divisive tendency has any bearing with the real teaching of Brotherhood which is embodied in love, oneness and truth? The truth remains that it is only the Father that has the power to bring all things to normally. And as He would want it, he has recently ordered that all events should take the right course as directed by the Holy Spirit Himself, hence the people of Akamkpa are now calling for unity and oneness. This is informed by their strong agitation for one bethel due to be attended by all the members of the two opposing fronts.

# YOUR ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD:

God has unlimited power to do everything. He is Alpha and Omega, the beginning and end; He is a supernatural being. God uses man to accomplish most of his divine tasks. It is for this reason that I keep on reminding you that man constitutes the light of the world and man also constitutes darkness. As for you, the children of this kingdom, you have been specifically sent as light to the world. This can only be done by extending my teachings of love, truth and oneness to all. And making all, the disciples of Christ. Do not create empires for yourself rather, let you actions bring about love, peace, oneness and all virtues so that those that emulate you should receive blessings from your Father.

I am happy because many people are beginning to come to this realisation. For instance, Akim in Calabar is "my town" yet people refuse this teaching of the Father and fight against it. The reason is that, some chiefs had indirectly opposed the teachings of the Father.

But as God would have it, many are beginning to see the need to serve God. Do not go into the world to cause confession rather to propagate the real virtues of God as embodied in love, truth, meekness, oneness and humility. It is becoming very rampant for people to visit 34 Ambo only to go back to their different bethels and fabricate stories, claiming that the Father had said. Let it be clear to you that in so doing, you have erred. The Father does not give destructive instructions. His teachings are the embodiment of truth and life.

If you belong to the group that bear tales that do not give glory to the Holy Spirit, desist from it forthwith, else you will have yourself to blames.

# PEOPLE LOVE DARKNESS:

It is rather surprising that people like to copy the wrong things

that are unworthy in the sight of God. One Brother from Ikot Ishie in Cross River State who is now late, some time ago returned a tithe box here. By their thinking, that was supposed to mark the end of Brotherhood in their place. But today, Ikot Ishie is one of Brotherhood's strong holds. And so you would realise that no one can fight against God. You neither can block the work of God nor tell God what to do.

All that God wants of man is love. With love all things could be done and to the glory of God. God is the owner of all the Brotherhood bethels in the world. So, if you do not want to be associated with the activities of Brotherhood, it is better you withdraw your membership and establish your own church instead of tarnishing the image of Brotherhood or to stall the activities of this kingdom. You have no right whatever to claim the owner of any bethel even if it is built in your own compound. God owns it. That God is the owner of every bethel. Therefore, allow the children of God the liberty to worship in any of the Brotherhood bethels. If your bahaviour attracts others into this fold, it means you are blessed. On the other hand, if your actions prevent others from worshipping God, then you should pity yourself. It is very bad to see that many are using the work of God to make money. Some even go as far as diverting tilth proceeds into their personal coffers, like what one brother did at Creek Town. He did everything to see that the bethel in his house remained the only bethel in the area. He became the chief actor against Brotnerhood acquiring another land for the construction of a bethel. This he did because he did not want to lose the proceeds that accrued from the tithes which he used to divert to his personal use. This and many more things happened as a result of man's disregard for God.

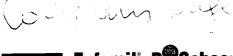
Anywhere, there is time for everything. Whatever happens is in anticipation of God's appointed time. Every event must take place according to God's design. I am aware of all what is happening in the world today and I know how best to handle every situation. Very shortly, all undesirable activities, thoughts and words will cease in this kingdom and peace will be the order of the day. The spread of Brotherhood will then be very rapid.

Just like what happened at Creak Town as I earlier said, today Brotherhood is beginning to take her rightful shape there. I am shocked to see the type of Brotherhood human beings practise. If you visit some bethels, you would see several boxes and on them are inscriptions like: health, wealth, protection, court case, good luck, promotion etc. Once you enter there, they would tell you to drop some money in any of the boxes according to your problem. In a matter of days, these boxes would be filled with money for their use but the only box with the inscription of Father's tithe would be left empty. Imagine how mankind uses the name of the Father to make money for his selfish ends and abandon God.

In fact, this type of activity is responsible for some people being initiated into certain societies and they strongly refuse to denounce their membership throughout their life time. The reason is that, the first and foundation members of these societies having paid a token initiation fee would in turn receive huge amount from new members thus enriching themselves. They see themselves as the real owners of the society. A lot of people are trying to introduce such unwholesome practices into the kingdom. Let it be known to you that such practices are not needed here. Every service is rendered here free of charge. It is a very serious offence for one to receive a fee for any service rendered here in the kingdom. If you do this, bear in mind that, you are seeking for your own glory. It is also every serious offence for one to refuse to put into effective use of his God's given talent.

The scripture has warned against this and that if you refuse to do what you know is good, it is counted as sin against you. (Read James 4:17). Brotherhood, you should note is not like the worldly organisations. The need for a person to take a lion share does not arise here in the kingdom. Everything belongs to the Father. And everything here is done according to the will of the Father. And if you deviate from the will of the Father who sends you, it means you are seeking for your own glory and you have erred. But if you stick to the advice of God by doing only those things He asked you to do, you are faithful and truthful. And so, you should realise that there is no class distinction in this kingdom. Whether or not you are the chairman, pastor, apostle, Christ's servant, bishop, Christ's student, Christ's witness or anything, it is not important. All of us share form the same table. We are all one and equal as far as this kingdom is concerned. We all have equal right of inheritance in this kingdom. But you must not forget that we have all signed a contract with God, and that all the nations should be made God's disciples. (Matthew 28:19-20).

Beloved, I do not want to go any further. It is said that a stroke of the cane is enough for the wise. Let those, have ears hear what the Holy Spirit has imparted to the world. May God bless His Holy word. Amen





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# BROTHERHOOD, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

GOLDEN TEXT:MATTHEW 5: 14:

Ye are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot hid.

#### THE UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD:

The city referred to in the above biblical excerpt is this kingdom and it is the light of the world. The news of the arrival of the kingdom of God has spread to all nooks and crannies of the world; as such, this kingdom is not a hidden one. And so, those of us who are fortunate to belong here have the duty to do something to prove to the world that we have seen and belong truly to the kingdom of God. Our life style has to justify and indeed depict the nature of this kingdom which is truth and righteousness.

No one ever lights a lantern and prefers to put it under the bushel. We, of a truth, must let our light shine. (see Matthew 5:16). We must demonstrate the virtues of Brotherhood. Brotherhood as we all know is love, truth, mercy, patience, meekness, joy, happiness, peace, goodness and indeed righteousness. It is wisdom, health, wealth among others. It is the absence of these virtues in you that informs why I tell you that Brotherhood is yet to manifest physically in the world. When it shall have manifested, the impact of Brotherhood will be felt by the whole world.

The things we do now are the preambles to the actual

Brotherhood that will manifest soon. The scholarship scheme we are embarking upon now in this kingdom is meant to assist those children who have the willingness and brain to go to school but lack financial backing to set then on course. This scheme will see them through in all levels of education. This indeed will reduce the illiteracy rate in the entire world. Note that even though this scholarship scheme it meant for all, you are only qualified to benefit from it only if you are a child of God. If you are not a practicing child of God, you can not benefit from this scheme. Sinners have no share in this kingdom and the attendant rewards from this kingdom will elude them. If you know that you are a liar, fornicator, idolater, railer, thief etc, do not have hope for this scheme.

We in this kingdom are the light of the world as such we have to live and act as the children of the light. All the attendant blessings

here go to the children of the light, provided they practice the truth. The scholarship scheme affords the would-be leaders of this world who abound here in this kingdom the opportunity to be trained so that at the due time, God will appoint them to rule the world. Because whoever rules with love, truth, and the fear of God will set the world on the right course.

We are in the world as light, and so anything we engage in is for the overall benefit of the world. There are many farms in the world, some mechanised, yet famine hits hard on the world. This condition will revert when the Brotherhood farms will be physically established. And the whole world shall feed from the proceeds of that farm and there will be no more fall in food supply for eternity.

There are banks of various categories commercial banks, mortgage banks, community banks, merchant banks etc and there are also several business ventures in the world, yet inflation and economic downturn are sweeping through the continents of the world. It will not be the same again when, at the appointed time of God, this kingdom assumes the management of the economy of the world. All things will take a positive turn and hardship will be a forgotten phenomenon in the world.

In summary, when Brotherhood assumes the rulership of the world, only the best will happen in the world. Sufferings, war, coups, inflation, trade deficit etc will no more form a part of the world system. It is at this time that the truth will be known to the world over that we in fact are the light of the world.

For now the world is in darkness because there is no good leadership. All things are now taking the opposite turn, pending the arrival of He that will rule. He is the perfect ruler who will make all things perfect during his reign. He is the light and will therefore illuminate all the nooks and crannies of the world. Above all, the presence of love, truth, meekness, tolerance, mercy, patience and righteousness will make for a permanent world peace. Do not forget that the best things will be provided by Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Brotherhood schools will produce the best man-power needed in the world over.

When I talk of Brotherhood, it is universal. You and I make up Brotherhood. And for Brotherhood to grow, you have to contribute your own quota. Brotherhood is love, charity, mercy, goodness etc. Therefore, it is required of all to show this love in practical terms. All hands must be on deck so that the practical Brotherhood 'may manifest. Funds are needed for the proper take off of the scholarship scheme. Contribute your bit for this project to come to reality so that the future leaders in our midst should be trained for the task ahead of us. Bribery, corruption, fraud and ethnicism has so eaten deep into the fabric of the affairs of the world that everything is done wrongly. It is Brotherhood with its laudable programme that is billed to change the trend of events in the world and bring sanity into the entire world system.

The high rate of crime prevalent in the world came as a rcsult of the teaching of the wicked one. The wicked one has incorporated its teachings in the curriculum of all the schools. And so, the universities and other institutions of learning teach nothing other than the doctrine of the wicked one. This accounts for the high rate of crime in the society. A graduate from a criminal school practises nothing other than crime. Therefore, there is no way the society could be made crime-free except the school curriculum is revised to reflect the teachings of the Holy Spirit which is truth.

We are children of the light and we have to let our light shine by practising the truth as taught to us by the Father. The truth which is the light in us must be reflected in everything we do. Brotherhood has come to play a leading role in anything we engage in.

We are the best and are so rated the world over. Take the Brotherhood bank (Mbukpa Area Community Bank) for instance, its operation is rated as the best in the country amongst all other community Banks operating in Nigeria. The Brotherhood press, etc are all operating as the best in their fields of operation. Therefore, do not sit aside, let us join hands together and get the best done for the glory of God. Contribute your bit for the growth of the work of God and you will be blessed. Everyone is in love with anything that is associated with Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Our schools are the most populous and our farms are cherished and commended by all. The same applies to all our ventures. Our sisters make the best of wives, our brothers are the best husbands, our children are rated the best. And so it is completely out of place for you to sit down with your hands folded. You should stand up and do something to enhance the manifestation of the new world order.

We are the light of the world and so, spare no effort in helping this light shine for all to see their ways. We must lead the world in truth, love, patience, meekness, mercy and righteousness. God is love, Christ is love and the children of God, all constitute love. That we are ove, we must in addition, practice the truth, mercy, patience, meekness, goodness, and righteousness must be our armour. It is only in so doing that the glory of God will manifest in us.

The old things have passed away. The new things, indeed the new world order, is in force now. The world order is love and truth, and same must we all imbibe. The truth remains that if a leader is evil, the entire nation will be invaded by evil, but should a righteous and God fearing person presides over the activities of a nation, there is bound to be peace in that nation. Where there is light, darkness will be dispelled and since we are light to the world, there should be no element of darkness found in us.

A house built on top of a hill can not be hidden. The story of this new kingdom is not a hidden thing. It has been read, told, and heard all over the nations of the world. The same applies to all the Brotherhood ventures which will be established soon. The whole world will be abreast of them all. Our universities will be attended by students from all nations of the world because only the truth will be taught there. Here in the kingdom, our principle is live and let live. This kingdom has no need of evil doers, misers, greedy and selfish people. Everyone here is expected to play a supportive role. Do not come here only to receive prayers and go away. You have to contribute to the welfare of others in this kingdom.

No scholarship should be awarded to a thief, railer, idolater, or

anybody whose lifestyle portrays him as a non-Brotherhood. These set of people are not the children of the light and as such, they have nothing to do with the lofty programmes of the light. I have decreed that no ungodly fellow should benefit from this scholarship programme. Afterall, should the ungodly be trained, of what use is he/she to this kingdom? The scheme is exclusively for the righteous and indeed, the children of the light.

God is the light, that is why he first created the world and the fullness thereof before He created man on the last day, so that man should rule over the other creations of God. This shows that God is the light unto man and this light is the love which he has displayed by providing mankind with all his needs, free of charge. It does not stop there. Having brought to existence this new world orderlove-the whole world, in no distant future, will witness unlimited joy, peace and happiness. Everything at this time will be new-indeed, will take a shape designed by God.

The fact that light has surfaced in the world accounts for the reason why the man-led government of the world are falling. All former structures, be they political, economical, educational, commerical, social etc, have ceased to function. Henceforth, giving way for the light to shine. In a short while, Brotherhood will have all these structures established and made to take the true shape and form that will reflect love and truth. The Father will not relent in His effort to pass through His children to provide funds for the implementation of all our lofty plans.

No doubt, there are rumours of wars, famine, inflation atc in many nations of the world. But the presence of the light on earth is a way out for mankind. The light has come at a time when mankind needed it most. We have joined forces with Him to teach, change, heal and bring succour to man's troubled life. We must all demonstrate this love as He has personally shown us.

Do you know what the light is ? The light is nothing but love. This love must not concentrate on one place alone, it has to circulate to all places. Read John 15:9. see also John 3:16; John 13:34 - 35. It is now clear to you what the light is. There is no hard deal about it. The light is God and God is love. Having known this truth, what would you say necessitated the death of our Lord Jesus Christ? Why did Cain kill his brother, Abel? Cain, on seeing that he is living according to the dictate of darkness whereas his brother, Abel was of the light, became jealous of his brother hence. he killed Abel. In the same vein, Jesus the Christ was crucified when the world saw that  $H_{is}$  work was greater than that of the world, they became jealous and nailed Him on the cross.

The people of the world refused to follow our Lord Jesus Christ because their work was bad. No man has ever opted for the light because of man's sinful nature. But now, it is a must that man should follow God. Man is left with no option but to follow after the light. You must flee sin and follow God else you have yourself to blame. The scholarship scheme embarked in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is strictly for the children of the light. These are the ones due to be trained to manage the affairs of the world in the near future. If one lacks love, he is not of the light, and no help should be extended to him. Except he is ready for a change, he will ever wallow in hunger and poverty. And in fact, a strict or even total sanction should be imposed on such a person. No matter what such a person has, nobody should have anything to do with him. Even though you are a professional teacher, banker, lawyer, tailor, agriculturist, pilot, computer operator etc, you will not be employed in the new world setting. Even if you are the most beautiful lady in the world, you will not be married. Even if you are a rich man, nobody will accept to marry or work with you. As such you are a wasted personality fit for the ghost land.

Love is the order of the day now in this kingdom. Give out what God has given to you so that same should be used to better the lot of the less-priveledged in our midst. We nave to join our hands together to see that we open our own school, business of the light. Currently Brotherhood is about to established a universal farm. Already, many farms have been cultivated. You just need to visit one of them to see what the Father has started doing. This goes to confirm the fact that there is nothing like hunger amongst the children of this kingdom, Afterall, we are the light of the world. The father has personally come as the light and has provided for all our needs in abundance. The issue of lack is completely eradicated from this kingdom. Love is what is required of us all; no iota of sin is needed here.

### HOLD FIRM THE TRUTH:

Hitherto, the world did not want the truth. many told the truth and lost their jobs. Many, for the sake of telling the truth, were

dismembered from their carnal families etc. Based on this experience, others, for fear of being shown the way out of their jobs, family circles etc, resorted to falsehood. That indeed fueled the trend of falsehood in the world. Today, the light has come to dispel darkness Except one flees falsehood and all manner of sins, he is not fit for this kingdom. Freedom is now granted the children of the light, love and truth anywhere, anytime. This is no more the time when you were afraid to practice righteousness for fear of being killed, rather it is now fearful to commit sin because of the attendant punishment that is meted out on sinners.

God created a lot of wealth in the world. Till eternity, mankind cannot exhaust this wealth. The whites came into Africa and stole a lot of wealth from our nations yet, they could not exhaust it. The problem with the world is that of mismanagement of wealth. That is why mankind is suffering. But by the time Brotherhood shall have assumed the mariagement of the world's affairs, you will see that everything will be provided for man; enough and to spare, such that none will lack anything.

Even the blacks are not fair to themselves. They smuggle money and wealth from here to Western world for safe-keeping. It is no contestable fact, the wealth of even one black man accumulated abroad is enough to feed the whole Nigeria comfortably for several years. Yet, some people lack what to eat, wear, and where to live. Majority of people live in abject poverty.

The whites know this, that is why, when the African nations negotiate for loan from the Western World, they give us strict measures and high interest rates. They know that many black men are richer than even some of the white nations Some people have accumulated much wealth abroad whereas people in their country are languishing in lack. All these are consequent on lack of love. If they were to have love, they would used their wealth to better the lot of the less-privileged in their immediate society and beyond. Some of them accumulate money and die, leaving such money behind for their already rich families to inherit whereas the poor and needy remain poorer. The light has come to put an end to all these unwholesome acts. Love is that which is used to address all wrong doings and direct man towards good.

It is not wisdom, money, tree, fish, soil and similar things that constitute the light of the world. Rather, it is man that is the light of the world. For instance, Brother Ntukidem is the founder of the scholarship fellowship in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Also he was once in 34, Ambo 1 chior. But as the father would like it and with unshakable faith in the father, the brother went ahead to established

Ambo 11 choir. This is exactly what we mean by being the light of the world. In fact, nothing on earth would hinder the smooth execution of the scholarship programme by the fellowship, because Ntukidem is a faithful and obedient child of God. He is a child of the light, he walks in the light.

The said 34, Ambo choir established by the Brother sang only in vernacular (Efik) until when I asked whether there was no learned chorister among them. It was after then that they started composing songs in English language. As it pleased the father, He gave them two songs. And a certain brother in the group refused to abide by the father's piece of advice. He refused to compose songs in English, the father through Brother Ntukidm sanctioned that the advice of the father must be carried out. As a result the group split into 34, Ambo 1 and 11. And from then henceforth the second group 34, Ambo 11 choir started rendering songs in English language. It was the light in Brother Ntukidem that brought about their success in singing in English Language. He also introduced incentives to choristers by awarding scholarship so as to raise their level of education to be able to compose good standard songs. His dream in this direction came true; such choristers are now composing standard songs. This explains why I tell you that, it is man that constitutes the light of the world.

When the executives of the Scholarship Fellowship brought us the idea of limiting the scholarship to certain parts of the world, I enjoined them to make it universal. And they accordingly complied. This accounts for the tremendous achievements recorded by the scholarships fellowship. There is no school, government, church or community that awards scholarship to people purely on the basis of love as is done in Brotherhood. It is only in the kingdom of God that it is practicable. IN the world, there is preferential treatment in choosing those to benefit from scholarship awards. For instance, before a female student is awarded a scholarship, the officials first of all fornicate with the girl besides other un-necessary demands from the family of the beneficiary. But here in this kingdom, such a thing is not tenable. It is only righteousness that is the prerequisite for the award of scholarship here in the kingdom. And if we had such people who are righteous and God fearing here in Nigeria, we would have been freed from problems.

Some of the executive members of the fellowship have been sponsoring different candidates. And as a result of this, there is great light in the fellowship. This explains why I persistently tell you to use all that you have to serve God; instead of searching for your own personal welfare, for, we are all one. The act of bringing all that we have into one common purse serves as the only reliable source of our funds. We have nothing to do with the government, communities, churches and the world but with love. That is to say you must love everybody. For instance, if because of the love in us, we donate say the sum of =N=1 million to any city that has financial problems, the problem of the people there would cease automatically and joy will prevail there. More over, if government, churches and communities lack money and social amenities, and you provide same to them, would they not receive these things with joy? This is exactly the kind of love that is expected from you all in the kingdom.

We are the centre of attraction to the world. That is why we are **called** the light of the world. This light shines and drives away **darkness**. Do you know what constitutes this kingdom? Read 1st corinthians 13: 13:

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

Now the question is. if you lack faith, would you be able to be charitable? It is not possible. That is why it is a veritable truth that it is only through faith and hope that you can be charitable.

God is love and love is God. Those who possess the three virtues of love, faith and hope are always blessed by the father. Therefore, should you have the three virtues and be charitable to anyone you come across irrespective of his place of origin, you would be boundtifully blessed by the father. Hitherto, the children of God were poor and wretched but it is time for the children of God all over the world to rejoice exceedingly and be completely freed from suffering. It is time for me to add material blessings to you.

#### **AN ILLUSTRATION:**

This illustration is about a king and a queen. These are the set of people responsible for trouble in the world although they also provide earthly blessing. There lived a king who married a queen. Normally the king and queen are rich people. Therefore, the case of the king and queen in question was not different. They were very rich, but without a child. In order to help her get a child of her own various people went to her. People like voodoo-doctors, fortune tellers and medical doctors ail went to the queen and did their best to help her but all in vain.

The queen went as far as making a vow to the people of the kingdom and its environs that, should anyone make her have a child, such a person would be made a millionaire. About fifty medical doctors were employed to work on the queen so that she might have a child, but to no avail. The queen was taken to all prayer houses, churches, hospitals, herbalist homes but all efforts were in vain. Behold the king and the queen were very rich and wealthy, but since they were not blessed with any issue, they were often ridiculed.

You are the light of the world and so this gospel is imparted to you a human being and not to plants or animals. Therefore, you either get this message and carry it out or you count yourself out of the kingdom. Your presence in the kingdom is meaningless without practising the word of God. Many who are baptised members of Brotherhood fail to spend even a day with the father at the headquarters to receive the word of God directly from him. Why then do you consider yourself a baptised member? I want every child of this kingdom to receive and practice the teachings of the Holy Spirit.

So beloved, there was a day when the queen was on the third floor of her building and sighted a man who was carrying empty tins. Then she sent her steward to find out from the man of his intention and the steward did so. When the man was taken to the queen, she asked him what his intention was. The man said he was buying discarded cans and tins as his articles of trade in order to make a living and to be able to feed his wife and children. He further told the queen that sometime they lived in somebody's garrage but were later ejected from the place. And that at the moment they were living in an open space. He told her that his capital as then was =N=10.00 which was picked by his second son on the road. When the queen heard that, she had pity for the man and asked her steward to always give out discarded tins to him free whenever he came.

Do you not blame God for making certain group of people poor and the other rich? If God makes all people rich, how then would one see that God has elevated him or her? God uses the poor to reveal his glory that is why he created some poor and the others rich. And they constitute the Kingdom of God. The wealth we are blessed with here in the kingdom came from the father's bank. Did you have this knowledge? Anyone who loves his life should store his weatth in the kingdom of God for the wealth stored on earth is vanity. It is by being charitable to the poor that you become or are made wealthy and from that the glory of God would reveal in you. Did you know this fact before? So beloved, stop henceforth from asking why some should be rich at the expence of others, for the revelation of God's glory is seen by being charitable to the poor.

If you are yet to be charitable, it means that you are yet to begin to serve God. But if you see to the welfare of the poor, orphans and destitute, you have then started rendering services to God and the glory is bound to be made manifest in you. I want you to take this story in bits so that you can inbibe it fully. Some thing has happened, for the glory of God has been revealed.

It was not long the man returned to the queen's house, since he had sold the discarded empty tins which he took to the market. Then the queen gave him some money to go and fetch his four children to her palace. He did accordingly as was directed. Note that I say you are the light of the world. When the queen received the four children into her house she pleaded with God to forgive her for not using her money wisely. That instead of her to use her money for the welfare of these children who were equally her children, she had rather engage in unprofitable ventures. At that spot, she affirmed that she no longer needed children of her own and so graded children according to their ages as her foster children. She vowed never to use money for any other venture apart from enhancing the welfare of the children.

What do you think is the good soil? Can a rocky soil bring forth good yield? You should know that when the yield is said to be bountiful it is caused by the fertility of the soil. On the other hand, if the yield is bad, it is also caused by the nature of the soil. In the same vein, it is the type of wife a man marries that determines the growth of the house. That is to say a bad wife would lead to the decline or a ramily and a good wife leads to the growth and prosperity of the family. The wife indeed is the source of the family. For instance when the Queen told the king, her husband about her intention that she was satisfied with the four foster children and that she was no longer in need of her own children and that, the king should permit her to use her resources to develop the children, the king promptly supported her. As from then, three out of the four children who were due for school were sent to school. While the last child spent all times with the queen.

The king as well as the queen at that time were repentant about how they had hitherto been investing their money on unprofitable ventures at the expense of catering for the poor in their midst. They pleaded that God should bless them with more funds so as to see to the welfare of the children.

#### SATAN IS LIFELESS:

Do you know what satan is? Satan is anything lifeless. So, any work you engage in and at the end of the month you go back empty

handed, such work is satanic. People began from that time to visit the gueen and to advice her on what should be done to help her get her own children. But the gueen discarded such advice and still affirmed that the four children in her house were enough for her. It was through the faith and hope she had in God that made her to strongly believe in what she believed in. If she was not a believer. she would have listened to the advice of the people and she would have derailed. That is why such temptation or examination is bound to come to you. Your greatest problem is faithlessness. That is why hings always get worse with you anytime you are made to disbelieve God. The queen would not have succeeded, if she had abided by the advice of people. Have you now seen another wisdom? This is why I tell you that a man can be deceived but God cannot be deceived. All what the queen passed through were mere examinations set for her. And having passed the examinations and God elevated her.

A lot of you are faithless and that is why your problems get on increasing daily instead of decreasing. For instance when the father pronounces "go all is well with you", you are not satisfied. As a result you go about receiving prayers and more assurances from the students, christ's servants, children of God etc. Hence, you fail woefully, if you were to believe in the pronouncement of the Father. would you have been entertaining more fears and seeking to be prayed for by other people? Brothers Victor and Ntukidem have faith in the father. That is why they do not entertain advice and visions from people. They live by the word of God and that is why nothing people say to them interest them at all. Others are faithful too but I am yet to see then fully.

I do not praise anyone, rather, I pronounce what I see and that is true. It is for this reason that Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is said to begin from zero. What is meant by zero is that you would be deceived and reviled against. But at the end of it all you become victorious and glorious, so long as you are obedient to the Father and his words. For instance, brother Victor was formerly deceived by a lot of people. But now that he has seen the truth, deceit is now a story of the past. Nothing is evil. And without being adversely affected by a particular thing you cannot take precaution. Have you now seen that I am not in a rush so that you might be able to imbibe these facts fully?

According to our story, that particular year did not pass when the queen became pregnant. But the queen did not think that her failure to menstruate was anything to do with pregnancy for she never believed that she could ever be pregnant in life. God is always ready to satisfy those who satisfy him. After six months, their family medical doctor visited her, tested her and broke the news that she was heavy with six months pregnancy. But the queen was not bothered because she was satisfied with the foster children. And at the end of nine months, the queen gave birth to a baby boy. She graded the child, her fifth. After a year, the queen was blessed with another child and she graded her, the sixth. As a queen the children were fed artificially, hence, she was not much concerned or bothered about nursing the child. At the end of four years, she was blessed with four children (two males and two females) and she graded them according to their ages. And all together, she had eight children. It is to this end that you are told that what man cannot do, God can. What God did to the queen was what neither money nor man could. But did you have this knowledge?

The entire world was surprised at what happened to the queen. Because sne earlier tried her hands on spiritual works, medications, idolatry, concoctions etc but to no avail. But what did she do to have her requests granted by God? What she did was to lay her treasure in heaven. Do you know what the award of scholarship to people would bring to you? Brother Ntukidem is now living fine because of the fact that he lays his treasures in heaven. Same thing happens to other members of the fold who practice giving.

The said queen did not segregate among the eight children of hers, she treated them equally. One day, the queen called the king and asked of how the parents of the four children in their midst were to be cared for. She later decided that they should be brought into their kingdom and be given a share, so that they might make up a family. What happened was the parents were later brought, the father and the mother were clothed in uniform with the king and queen; while the eight children too were on their own uniform. The family became one. And they all became Brotherhood.

# YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD:

Now have you not seen the king and the queen and the said parents being the light of the world? If you were to be in that man's and woman's shoes, you would not have accepted to spare your children as the couple in question did, you would have been considering the suffering you encountered during labour. On the other hand if you were to be in the shoes of the queen and the king, you would not have loved to use your money on other people's children they did; you would have desired to direct your money to other ventures till you get your own children.

Following what we have been told to do. what profit do we derive from our past lives? Note that we are the light of the world, so shun such deeds. Anyone who desires to practice this Gospel would be rewarded bountifully by God. Brotherhood of the Cross and Star has decided to store her wealth in heaven, that is why you see it growing from strength to strength.

> But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God. (John 3:21)

Read our spiritual food again.

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## THE FOOD IN THE KINGDOM:

Can Nigeria, Africa and the world at large consume and exhaust the food that abound here in the kingdom? A lot of people now are trooping to Brotherhood of the Cross and Star for various assistance, that is why most members are leaving their professions to start up spiritual works. This is so because, their professions are no longer lucrative. It is for this reason that you see many people who desire to enroll as crusaders. The father has landed in a big way. His kingdom too has landed in a big way with all goodies. So all those who are blessed with such goodies should neither hoard nor claim them as their exclusive property. Instead, they should share evenly.

Brotherhood of the Cross and Star members are always successful in all their endeavours. There is nothing they engage in which cannot succeed. For instance, a son to Apostle Ikonne, a graduate from a university has now forsaken his profession and embraced evangelism. That is why Aba city was shaken when he organised a watch-and-pray there. During the watch-and-pray, a lot of people witnessed God's glory.

Because of that, he is much needed by the inhabitants of Aba. Other people in the kingdom have been receiving such glory too because when your visions are true and carry out effective healing, you are bound to be glorified and given diverse gifts. The members of Brotherhood of the cross and star have been embarking on training people to be expert engineers and technicians in the building of boats, planes, cars and trains. An example of this is one brother based in lkot Ekpene. This knowledge is now concealed by most of you. In order that the light in you might be made to shine for men, you are advised by the father to proclaim all the powers and wisdom you are endowed with.

It is said that a stroke of cane is enough for the wise. Let those who have ears hear what the Holy Spirit has imparted to the whole world. May God bless his holy world - Amen.