

1. **THE EVERLASTING GOSPEL DELIVERED BY THE SOLE  
SPIRITUAL HEAD LEADER OLUMBA OLUMBA OBU:**

**THE LUCKY GENERATION:**

**FIRST LESSON: HEBREWS 8 : 12**

For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

**GOLDEN TEXT: ROMANS 4 : 7**

Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.

**GOD'S GRACE:**

It is said that heaven and earth shall pass away but the words of God shall never pass away until they are consummated. You will agree with me that the above texts has been fulfilled; especially in this generation. It is through this particular gospel that we will build our abode. We should ask ourselves individually what good work we have done to earn us this wonderful glory. Is it out of our good works, because of our reverence to God, our beauty, wealth? What actually do we do to be worthy of this great call?

Imagine the number of churches all over the place, their sacrifices and devotedness yet, they cannot see this wonderful glory. Imagine the roles of the patriarch like Abraham and many others who toiled greatly in order to see this glory but could not. They fasted and suffered greatly because of this kingdom yet, they were deprived of it. But we do not work for it yet, the Father gives it to us on the platter of gold. You should therefore, ask yourself what has really brought you into this kingdom? Is it because of your good qualities or that you have refrained from sins? Are you admitted into this kingdom because you do not prepare charms or tell lies in your life? Is it because of your obedience to the voice of God? Puzzle over these questions. Members of Brotherhood should really ponder over the situation and address their minds to these fundamental questions. For it is said that when the facts

of history is forgotten, there is bound to be a distortion of facts. If you should fail to recall the condition which you came into this kingdom, you would always behave anyhow. So when you remember the sorry condition which necessitated your conversion into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, you would always humble yourself. You have been told that men of old who waited for this kingdom did their best by not getting married nor given in marriage and did not eat fish or meat. They practised self control, self denial and self sacrifices yet, they could not behold this kingdom. Imagine the level of sacrifices of Moses, Elijah, the disciples of Christ and all others, yet they did not see this wonderful glory.

The kingdom is given to us out of His mercy, not because of hard work or righteousness on our part. If it is because of God's Grace that you are given this glory, why do you puff up? If it is out of His grace that you are called into this kingdom, why are you not grateful, humble and in addition surrender yourself completely to Him? There are many virgins and eunuchs in the world, but they are not called into this kingdom. Any reason for that? And if you think you are called into this kingdom as a result of your wealth, have you not seen people spending millions of money for God's glory, yet they are not fortunate to get the call?

If you believe that it is your ability to preach the word of God that earns you membership into this kingdom, have you not heard of many people who were beheaded because of spreading the gospel and yet they did not behold this kingdom? If you also think that your membership into this kingdom is as a result of your practising vegetarianism, have you not seen many people who are born vegetarians and celibates who set themselves aside for God's services yet they are left out? Imagine John the Baptist, he was a very strict vegetarian yet he did not behold this glory. God can never revoke His divine statement once He makes any pronouncement, it must stand because He keeps His words.

You are not saved because of your dexterous dance, you are not saved as a result of vision; you are not saved because you have refrained from fornication and adultery; you are not saved because you have practised God's injunctions; you are saved purely out of His grace. That is all. I wonder whether you have ever given a thought to this fact. So if you puff up, you should cast your mind back at your twilight before you came to this kingdom. If you murmur against God, you are advised to reflect over your past

life, because in retrospect, you can see your past clearly. Or is it because you are called into God's kingdom gratis that is why you carry your shoulder high? Why should you tempt God through your action? Is it wrong for you to have been invited free of charge into the kingdom? Why should you continue to fornicate, quarrel, fight and cause commotion? The question is, did God make any mistake in calling you into His kingdom?

Brethren, why do you backslide from this wonderful glory that is given to you free? He does not count sins on you nor charge you for anything, then why do you forsake this kingdom? Or do you prefer suffering to joy? This is a question that is asked by even the people of the world. You are devoid of love, mercy and every other virtue yet you are in God's kingdom.

### THE ANTAGONISTIC WORLD:

There are important people of the world around and their wealth, yet they are not called but an ordinary person like you is called. You keep on telling lies, quarrel, fight, fornicate and cause havoc everywhere without thinking about the word of God. Do you think that God is a fool a blind or lacking the sense of direction? But it is because He has promised to save you out of His grace. It is His promise that is being fulfilled. Those people who think they are learned are not allowed to have a glimpse of this kingdom. But a sinful person like you is invited to share in God's glory because of His grace. You are quite aware of the fact that you are sinful and your sins are obvious before you, but you are in His kingdom. Do you ponder over the situation?

It is stated in 2 Peter 3:9 that: the Lord does not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness. Every pronouncement from God must come true, no matter the span of time. Right from today, you should realise that the world does not love God and does not need Him. The people of the world are not ready to practise the words of God. Come to think of it, why should God come down for man? What business has He with man if not for His age long promise? He sent His Prophets and were killed. He sent His son and was killed, then what else would have made God to come down to the world? Reflect over this.

Of all the things created by God, the earth is the smallest, the most stubborn and most antagonistic to God.

What then would have made God to continue to associate Himself with the recalcitrant (Man)? In spite of the shortcomings of man, He decides to come and save him.

Enoch beheld this great kingdom when he was taken into heaven. There he saw the heavenly hosts in their distinct classes and glory. When he made comparison between the earthly kingdom and what he saw in heaven, he questioned the reason why God Himself should ever come down to the earth considering the magnificent glory there in heaven. That explains the question asked by the Angels:

"But one in a certain place testified, saying, what is man, that thou art mindful of him? Or the son of man, that thou visitest him? Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands." (Heb. 2:6-8)

But man who is nothing other than a fornicator and a murderer does not want to see God, ironically, God wants to bring him closer to himself.

You claim that God is here on earth with us, yet you curse, steal, quarrel, eat fish and meat, what do you think about yourself? Also, you claim that you believe in the Lord but you continue to wallow in sins unabated. What then is the difference between you and satan? What do you gain in being engrossed in sin? In the Hall, once the Father comes in, everyone would hush, warning others that the Holy Father is around. But as soon as you leave the premises of 34 Ambo, you return to your normal self by quarrelling, fighting, fornicating and committing every manner of sins. The garment you put on while coming to worship at the 34 Ambo is immaculate white flowing gown, quite expensive, but as soon as you are out of the vicinity of 34, Ambo Street, you put on your true colour and start your usual sinful life. You would give warning to people who would dare report your unholasome acts to God. That should any dare to report you, you would deal squarely with such a fellow. Do you think that God does not know each and everyone of us? In the worldly organizations, once you steal and are caught, you are excommunicated immediately. If you fail to pay your dues, you are suspended but here in Brotherhood, there is no suspension, expulsion or any form of punishment. But instead of appreciating the glory of God you rather mock at His merciful gesture to you. Do you think that God is blind and incapacitated? It is because of His agelong promise to man.

that, 'I will be merciful to their iniquities'. At times people get shocked at the attitude of certain people while in the Headquarters. They struggle for feast, fight, quarrel and cause commotion, whereas it is not allowed in out-station Bethels.

### GOD'S PROMISE:

The Father tolerates the unbecoming attitude of man because of His mercy for mankind. He had promised to save man out of His Grace. What was the promise of God as recorded in the Books of Joel, Hosea and Saint Paul's epistle to the Romans chapter 9:25-26?

"As he saith also in Hosea, I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved. And it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people; there shall they be called the children of the Living God".

This statement is vindicated in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. It is stated in 1 Corinthians 1:27-28 that: "God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty..." Such is God's wisdom. Those things that are less reliable to the world are used by God. He exalts and enriches them because they cannot boast, having been once neglected as base things. But if glory is given to one who is highly regarded, he will brag. Each of us should therefore think about this.

The worldly people look at the faces of the individuals to know the background of parents. If you are from a well-to-do family and a popular one for that matter, you would be well treated; but if you are from a poor family, you will be looked down upon. But here in this kingdom of God, we do not look at the faces of people because God is impartial. You attest to the fact that if this kingdom were to come from man, none of us would have qualified to be accepted.

Recall what happened before Our Lord Jesus Christ was finally crucified. Pilate asked the people whether he should release Jesus called the Christ, but the people vehemently objected. They shouted on Pilate to crucify Him

and release Barrabas to them. When he demanded to know what offence He committed, they further pressed on Pilate to crucify Him. Jesus the Christ was hated purely out of envy, not because He offended anyone. The world does not hate the children of God because of anything but that was to fulfil the scripture. Just as the children of God are hated for no just cause, God too calls His children into His kingdom for no reason.

The people of the world consider us unworthy to inherit this kingdom because from their judgement, none of us is educated, beautiful, wealthy and highly placed to be called into the kingdom. Just like it is asked 'can anything good be found in bethlehem?' Accordingly, the basis of our call is stated in 1 Corinthians 1:28-29. Realizing this, Saint Paul confessed:

"And base things of the world,  
and things which are despised,  
hath God chosen, yea, and things  
which are not, to bring to nought  
things that are; that no flesh  
should glory in his presence."  
(1 Cor. 1:28-29)

### THE WILL OF GOD:

Many believed in John because his father was a high Priest and John himself came from a priestly family. So, the people believed in him than our Lord Jesus Christ who was not of the priestly stock. In order that His words might be fulfilled on us that we are saved by His grace, He decided to be born into a humble family. This was a family which Moses did not mention throughout his time; Nazareth was a place which people never regarded as anything at all but then, it was the very place John bore eloquent testimony about. For this reason, the people revolted against John for mentioning Nazareth as the greatest of all places. In this generation, counting begins with zero (0) till whatever number, and also ends with zero. The digit zero (0) is the least and so insignificant to the world, yet it is the very God Himself.

If one wants to write the figure one million, he/she can only do that by adding six zero to the digit (1). If you talk about one thousand, you add three zeros. The adding of zeros to different digits applies to hundreds and tens. This means that what the world does not regard as important or significant is highly priced by God. Anything you buy with

your money is what you hold in high esteem, the thing you obtain through your good deeds, you have right to boast about it; and any thing you get through your big brother in an exalted position is what you treasure. But whatever you get without sweat is what you trample upon. This should not be so. That is to say that you are expected to treasure such a thing with humility. This explains why you should humble yourself in this kingdom of God because you have no right of ownership over it. You are called in purely out of grace.

### ADAM WAS NOT FORGIVEN:

When Adam and Eve derailed from the path of rectitude, God drove them out of the garden of Eden. They pleaded for forgiveness, prostrated, fasted and did everything to be pardoned but the Father said no to their plea. He told them that at the fulness of time, He would personally come down to rectify the situation. That, the signs of His coming would include myrrh, frankincense and gold. He also added that, He would be crucified. Therefore, if anyone should be saved out of his good deeds, it means His divine promise is false. If He had forgiven Adam and Eve as a result of their plea, fasting and all that, then they would have attributed their salvation to their effort.

God does not require you to pay anything before you are saved. If you get to a place where people claim God to be there but they turn round to ask you to pay some money, you are advised to leave such a place. If the condition to get salvation is to refrain from fornication, stealing and other vices, you should endeavour to obey the injunctions to the letter. The Father does not charge anybody for baptism, healing, blessing and whatever. Everything is free. None is condemned. Do you not see this as a great sign? You can never find such things anywhere right from the creation of man. But some of you want to adulterate this kind gesture by charging for everything. When you offer prayer to people, you charge money; you give vision to people, you also want to be paid for; healing and everything are for money. You claim to be working for God but you turn round to lament that you have no husband, people to cater for you, or money to feed on. That God should provide you with these things. The question is, what did you give God when He invited you by sheer mercy into this kingdom?

## FIRST LESSON: HEBREWS 8:12

For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

### SALVATION BY GRACE:

Most of you are fornicators, thieves, robbers and so on but He forgives all of these, although you are still wallowing in them. In spite of our vices, the Father continues to pronounce peace on us. Do you stop at a point to ask yourself why you are not expelled from the kingdom despite your sinfulness? You are not charged for any service and do not spend your energy to get it but the very thing is given to you without condition, what then should you do in appreciation to this gesture? For instance, you are given the Holy Spirit free, the gift of vision free, ability to deliver pregnant mothers safely also free; the power to heal and perform other feats are given to you free. Instead of rendering these services free, you go on to charge people.

If the person you demand money from is unable to pay you, you claim that the person has no love and should not be allowed in your bethel. The question is, what did you pay to acquire this gift? In the world, such activities may be allowed but not here in this kingdom. For instance, a candidate in quest for political office through election could afford to spend millions of naira with the aim of reaping bountifully once he wins at the polls. That is to say, he is given the right by the electorate who sold their votes to him during elections, to do whatever he feels because, he bought his way to the seat of Government. But in this particular kingdom, what right have you to charge for what you were given free?

On the other hand, many people are scared with the free gift posture in the kingdom. They would rather prefer to be charged even for the Holy oil and other things given free. They often reason that, if they should be charged, then the situation is normal, but without anything charged it is very dangerous. It is only God that can do these things free.

Whatever service you render, if you charge even a yam tuber as a price, the very price charged will tripple when the person who paid for the yam charges another person



that comes to buy it. The chain could continue till the price becomes hundred tubers beyond the reach of the ordinary person. These type of activities are ungodly. The lack of loyal respect for marriage institution is because of the introduction of money into it. At the time a woman and a man meet during the period of courtship, there is much respect for each other, but as soon as the man pays the bride price and the woman goes to live with the man, trouble starts. The man would regard the woman as a mere commodity bought while the woman on her part would treat the man with little respect.

God had given everything free to man, but you make money out of these things. The only way you can become a true citizen of this kingdom is by giving everything free. Let me reveal something to you, so that you may know that the wisdom of God confounds man. Any particular place you live in, if you remain there to raise children and your children beget children, you have automatically become the citizen of the place. You have every right as a citizen of the place. You could be made a king or stand in for election into any political office. God is love and that love is reflected in His relationship with man. He teaches love and practises love to all and sundry. That is the reason you are asked to do to others what He does to you.

#### GOLDEN TEXT: ROMANS 4:7

Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.

#### RENDER FREE SERVICES:

He does not look at you whether you are wealthy, beautiful, highly placed or poor. He continues to cater for all of us without a price. Anything that involves money does not come from God. It is only God who can provide you everything free. He does everything in this kingdom for us free. But for the love of God, by now, the entire world would have perished because there is none in the world who is able to do one particular thing that is pleasing to God. Apart from His universal love to humanity and His promise to forgive and forget the sins and iniquities of the world, nobody would have existed.

There is none in the world who is spotless, but for His love, He continues to protect, feed and provide us everything free. In other words, there is no righteous man in

the world, but out of His love and mercy, He forgives us of all our iniquities. Take for instance, the story of Cain and Abel. Both of them were from the same womb but Cain killed Abel, his brother. Out of His love, God ordered that Cain should not be killed for killing his brother, instead a mark should be made on his forehead. Also, in the case of Joseph after being sold into slavery, he did not remember what his brothers did to him when they met him in Egypt.

Recall the world of Noah. All the people perished except Noah and his household. Even Noah himself was a drunk, he lived an abominable life but he and his household were saved in the last day. What good thing did he perform to merit salvation? It was because, at any point in time, God does everything to man free. Also recall what happened in Sodom and Gomorrah. What good thing did Lot perform to merit salvation? It was because God loved him for it is said, blessed are those whose sins are forgiven. If your sins are not counted, it means you are saved. Take for instance, about hundred people may board a plane but out of this number, only one person is saved in a plane crash while the ninety-nine (99) others are dead. Now the question is, what good thing is done by this single soul saved? It is purely out of the mercy of God. Hence, you are enjoined to demonstrate that similar love to your fellow man.

### GOD'S LOVE HAS NO BOUNDS:

The entire world had departed from God, the people don't want Him in any way but in spite of this, He sent His only begotten son. What would have made Him to do this, if not for His great love for mankind? The love of God for man is immeasurable. In spite of man's endless quest to destroy the messengers and apostles of God, He still loves the world. Many prophets were sent but the people of the world did not listen to them. They were tortured and murdered. God further sent His only begotten son, our Lord Jesus the Christ. He was not spared, He was beaten, spat on and crucified on the cross alongside with two robbers. His disciples were not spared either; Stephen was stoned to death and others murdered in cold blood, yet He loves us the more. His love and mercy for us is not as a result of our good works, righteousness or because we too love and obey Him. His love is free, full of grace. If it were dependent on our actions, thoughts and words, no one would have survived till date;

we would have all perished and the entire world would have been brought to an end.

Our Lord Jesus Christ was sent to shed His precious blood to salvage man. This was done yet man, in his usual ungratefulness, does not seem to realise the love of God for him. And now He has come down personally to change and liberate man unto Himself. What love could be greater than this? This is informed by the promise which He has made to us:

"For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more". (Heb. 8:12).

You may ask, why is God so mindful of man? He has his reasons for doing so because, a normal and rational being cannot hate part of himself. If you do, why do you allow it to exist as a part of you? We all love ourselves. And so you would now realise that God loves us because we are His image.

"And God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness:"  
(Gen. 1:26)

No man is righteous. God is doing everything to us free of charge. Take the case of Abraham for instance, what good thing did he do to necessitate such promise to him, the Father of all nations, and above all, he was God's best friend. Abraham, for one, was created by God; all things he did were directed by God. Abraham did not exist, God existed through him.

No man ever hated himself. And if a man that is carnal cannot hate himself, why then can God hate us? We are the embodiment of God and so if God hates us, He is invariably hating Himself. The local adage has it that, the problem of the eye affects the nose. If God is mindful of our wrong doings and decides to destroy all men, who will glorify Him and practise His words? Consequently, He would not be heard of or referred to as the God of host any more. Who will tell His story and to who?

The first commandment of God is that:

"Thou shalt have no other gods before me.  
thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the

earth. Thou shalt not bow  
down thyself to them nor serve  
them." (Exodus 20:3-5)

If God were to be strict with the defaulters of these commandments, who amongst you would have been saved? Who can exonerate himself and claim that he/she does not violate all the ten commandments in the bible? Who amongst you do not have at least twenty gods to worship? The love of God has shielded us from the punishment that would have emanated from the violation of these injunctions. The fact that our salvation is not contingent on our good works, He said:

"Blessed are they whose  
iniquities are forgiven, and  
whose sins are covered".  
(Romans 4:7).

### THE ERA OF MERCY AND LOVE:

In spite of the sins you commit every minute: fornication, adultery, idolatry, hatred, fighting, division, arrogance, disobedience, stealing, murder, gossip and drunkenness, He decides to forgive you. You eat meat and fish and doubt God in all ramifications yet, He loves and cares for you. Do not for any reason think that God is not aware of everything you do, He sees and knows you all. Remember, He is an all-knowing God. Should God treat us the way we are, none would survive His anger. For instance, if you were to be given the power to deputize God for just one day, you could have rented your anger on everyone on earth. Also, if you give members of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star a chance to judge those who blaspheme against the kingdom, they would demand that their heads be chopped off to prove to them that God is superior to man. But the reverse is the case. God does not reason and cannot act like man, He is slow to anger. He uses love and mercy to accommodate evil doers.

We should use love to do everything, so that we may be like Him. This is recorded in the scriptures:

"That ye may be the children of  
your father which is in heaven:  
for he maketh his sun to rise  
on the evil and on the good, and  
sendeth rain on the just and the  
unjust. ' (Matt. 5:45).

God does not discriminate against anybody. He does everything to us equally. He does not give anybody concession to the detriment of another. As a result of God's love to man, He has brought to an end the curse of our first parents: Adam and Eve. This is no more the era of curse but the era of mercy and love. He does not want us to suffer. We are His kingdom, house and glory.

The new covenant is that, if a precious blood is shed for the remission of the sins of mankind, He will be merciful to man's unrighteousness and He would forgive man's iniquities. And right from that moment that Our Lord Jesus Christ (on the Cross) pronounced: 'It is finished', no sin is imputed on any man. And that automatically marks the end of the first curse on our first parent, Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden.

### GOOD TIDINGS:

Our sins, since then are covered by the blood. God does not record sin for man. He knows that if He imputes sins on man, He would be doing so to Himself because, we are part and parcel of Him. Our sins are remembered no more. This is why we are told to go into the vineyard of God and spread this good tidings and to practise His words, as a token of appreciation of His love and mercies for us. We should be grateful to Him for not imputing sins on us and for not punishing, forsaking, ceasing in His love and mercies for us. He does not discriminate against us. This is why it behoves on us to worship God in spirit and in truth. \* We have to mobilize all our effort and ability to revealing Him and glorifying Him, for those He deserves.

God is the one doing everything for you. Except he calls you, you cannot be healed and without God, you cannot change. Except He blesses you with anything, you can have nothing. We are the functional parts of God. He cannot do anything to our detriment. He is like a tree and we are † the branches, the leaves and flowers. A tree, you know, is not complete without the branches.

A similar thing happened during the Nigerian-Biafran civil war. A military officer wanted a bomb to be planted in the region occupied by the Biafran soldiers - the South so that when it exploded, it will wipe off all the opponents of the Southern region. Then the Nigerian Head of State and Head of Government, disapproved this idea. He believed that such action would bring about mass killing of the whole citizens of the country and there would be nobody left to be governed. This is exactly how God sees

the idea of dealing with man in accordance with his evil ways.

God saw what happened in the first generation of Noah which the world was destroyed with flood. Who were there to praise and glorify Him? His glory was no more heard because there was nobody to spread His words. If for example I order everybody to leave this hall, whom will I teach and who will take my teachings to the people of the world? It is not uncommon to find a mother of many children complaining about her children. If you think that you want to pity her and you kill all those children, it is the woman who would cry and lament and be the loser. As a result, she may commit suicide. Such action may result to her death, if care is not taken.

Dear Brethren, God needs us as we need children because we are necessary problems to Him. God wants us to live on. He desires that we live, praise and glorify Him. This is the appointed time which we are to worship Him in spirit and in truth. We have no excuse for not worshipping and glorifying God. We are elected free and our sins have been forgiven to be remembered no more. God does not impute sins on you and as such you do not impute sins on any man. No matter the extent of offence committed against you by any man, you are advised to bless the person. Let your love for everyman be unlimited; live peacefully with all men so that the world will be a better and peaceful place for all to live in. Treat everybody equally and be kind to all as God is kind to you. As God forgives all your sins, you have to forgive others of their sins. You have to, of necessity, follow the footsteps of Our Lord Jesus Christ whose life style we must emulate. You have to regard everybody as yourself. Do not bother about whether He is a member of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star or not.

The Father is responsible for calling people into this kingdom. Except He calls, you cannot come here. However, whether or not a person is called, we are all one. The fact that this call has been extended to you means that others too have been called, That we are one, means that your presence here, is their presence equally.

### SHUN ARROGANCE:

It is not right for one to be arrogant. Humble yourselves and realise that others exist like you do. I am aware of the current development which most of you now take Brotherhood as your bonafide property. You restrain others from coming in because you are afraid that they might come

to struggle position with you. What did it cost you to be here? What do you loose if others should come in and receive salvation like you do? Many of you scare away intending members with all the dos and don'ts of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star which they must comply with to guarantee their membership of this kingdom. The question is, how many of these injunctions have you observed and put into practice even now that you have been here for years? You are doing this so that intending members should be scared away. How pleasing do you think this is in the sight of God? By saying all these things, have you not lied? You were admitted into this kingdom free of charge. And you have no cause to debar another person from entering in.

A lot of you are very pompous having been baptised into this kingdom. You are so arrogant to an extent that one would think that you are so righteous and that your call into this kingdom is due to your righteousness. Let it be known to you that, you did not do anything to merit the call into this kingdom. God calls you out of His inestimable love for mankind. During August pentecostal when the people that started Brotherhood from 8 Eton street are normally called upon to take a sit at a special area, you will notice that most of them move majestically like saints. Why do these people brag that way? What have you done to justify your being called into this kingdom? On the other hand, all those who did not partake in the movement from 8 Eton street to 26 Mbukpa become downcast during this occasion. They lament and become furious why they were not there during that wonderful movement. What have you missed?

### BROTHERHOOD IS LOVE:

There is only one Brotherhood and the entire world is one because, Brotherhood is love. Love makes for oneness and that is what Brotherhood stands for. The diverse things you see each passing day is the will of God. God exalts a person and is the one to bring down the person as it pleases Him. The truth however remains that, we are saved free of charge. He does not impute sins on us because He forgives all our sins. You do not come in here because you are a sinner or because you are righteous, you are called into this kingdom at the mercy, grace and love of the Father. Wealth, health, position, qualification etc. cannot fetch you this kingdom. It is given to you gratis.

If the call of God were not free of charge, what good works did David do to have merited God's call? Was he not

a murderer? David had to present three hundred human heads to Saul on demand as a bride price to marry Saul's daughter. Does God not condemn murder? If you are asked to judge, would you say that David deserved the blessing of God? If God were to be mindful of the activities of David, he would not have had anything good from God. In the same vein, if God were to impute and reckon sins on us, no one of us would have beheld this kingdom.

And so brethren, disabuse your minds from thinking that you are saved as a result of good works. God saves all of us by His grace.

May God bless His Holy teachings. Amen.

Thank you Father.

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## 2. THE EVERLASTING GOSPEL DELIVERED BY THE SOLE SPIRITUAL HEAD LEADER OLUMBA OLUMBA OBU:

### ELECTION BY GRACE:

#### FIRST LESSON: ROMANS 11:5-6

Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace. And if by grace, then is it no more of works; otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

#### SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 8:29-30

For whom he did foreknow he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

#### GOLDEN TEXT: ROMANS 9:16

So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.

### NOT BY MERIT:

Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is the kingdom of God and not an organised body conceived by man. This explains the reason why we should flee the lust of money, land, food and other mundane things. Every amenity in the kingdom is given freely. As it is expressly stated in Romans 11:5-6 that; there is also a remnant according to the election by grace, and if by grace then it is no more of works. We have been called and saved not by works but by the grace of God. We are called into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star by grace not by works. It is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that showeth mercy. Such is the impression of Paul in the book of Romans 9:16.

This is applicable in the kingdom.

God is omnimercy, an example of this mercy can be seen from the sun which shines on everybody, irrespective of whether the one is good or evil. As you enjoy the moon and the sunlight freely, so you share in the grace of God bestowed upon all. Whenever there is draught, water is sold by people. However, God dispenses His knowledge, food, health and other amenities freely. This marks the difference between man and God.

At a certain time, a great multitude came to Our Lord Jesus Christ, many of them were lame, blind, dumb, maimed and many others fell on His feet. He healed all of them free of charge. He had compassion on the multitude, who remained with Him for three days. It is recorded in the scripture that five thousand men were fed beside women and children. About twelve baskets full of the crumbs were gathered. God is the same today, tomorrow and forever. His benevolent attitude is sufficient unto us this day.

We are all saved by grace, and this is the reason why we have to extend same attitude to others gratis. It is wrong to charge a fee before baptising new converts into the kingdom. If you indulge in this act, you are still in darkness. The injunction here is that, "as I do to you, do likewise to others". To be very explicit, I rendered good works to all and sundry, you have to do the same.

God extends His call to us not by merit, but by mercy and grace. Whatever blessing we derive from Him is given to us free of charge. Can you now see the difference between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of man? It is said 'the kingdom of this world have become the kingdoms of God and His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever. Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is a manifestation of this statement. See text below:

"And the seventh angel sounded;  
and there were great voices in  
heaven, saying, The kingdoms of  
this world are become the kingdoms  
of our lord, and of his Christ; and  
he shall reign for ever and ever".

(Rev. 11:15).

### CHRIST GESTURES:

His goodness was very glaring. He healed freely and unconditionally. He was the son of God but subjected Himself to the will of man for, He paid tax. See authority

below:

"...Notwithstanding, lest ye shall offend, ye shall go to the sea, and cast an hook, and take up the fish that cometh up, and when ye have opened his belly, ye shall find a piece of money, take that and give unto them for their dues.

(Matt. 23:23)

He did not at any point in time constitute a burden to anybody. He did not demand compensation or tribute. This He did to fulfil all righteousness. A hireling is not a good shepherd. He has not shared in the suffering of Christ. If you are paid two or ten naira at the end of the month for whatever service rendered, it means you are not doing the work of God. A volunteer is a true and better worker. All the workers in church denominations are hirelings. They are seeking for their daily bread. All prayer houses, secret organizations or societies belong to this group. God, on His part, does not delight in such activities nor take glory in their works.

There are many reasons why people do not like Brotherhood. One of the reasons is that the entire people of the world have commercialised the services of God. For instance, they charge fees for healing, baptising, Gospels, feeding and accomodation. In Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, the services are enjoyed gratis. Consequently, they have cause to jealous and hate Brotherhood of the Cross and Star for not joining them. Brotherhood of the Cross and Star does not use mystical books, perfumes, incense, candles and other imported materials for healing, hence they do not charge. The gift of healing is bestowed by the Holy Spirit. Freely they received, and freely they give. Many have fallen because they charge fee for divine services. God did commission thus:

"Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils; freely ye have received, freely give" (Matt. 10:8).

All those who come into the kingdom to collect money for one service or the other rendered cannot see the glory of God. People are enjoying the glory of God in this kingdom because they use their talents freely.

We all have been called into the kingdom of God by the election of grace and not by works.

individual merits, talents and other materials and spiritual gifts are bestowed on us free. Therefore, we are all expected to discharge our obligations without price.

### BROTHERHOOD PUZZLES THE WORLD:

Many people have been carrying out researches into this kingdom. Have they been able to discern this truth? They always claim that there is an overwhelming power in Brotherhood, but that the power is of a doubtful source. What a puzzle? Is this not a testimony? If spiritual power is that easy to come by, why do they not exhibit same? The power in Brotherhood or the Cross and Star is not derived from angels, bark of trees, leaves, roots nor from any other source. The plain truth is that this power is of God. Therefore, it is exercised by the Almighty God Himself. Herbs and other mystical and evil concoctions are like the mirage. One of our spiritual choruses warns:

"Do not use my precious blood  
in carnal works".

What has happened now is that, the blood of Christ is used for carnal activities. His Holy name as a medium of exchange. This set of people have crucified Christ again. We liken their activities to that of Judas Iscariot. Apostle Paul had warned that "If I do these things, where lies my boast, for I am likened unto a porter which cometh not in and would not allow others in". Therefore, it is only when you render these services free, that you can boast. It is very pathetic when I look at you, I do not know whether it is subject poverty that leads you into the things you do. This is the long expected kingdom which has now engulfed the entire world. We are not under the school master, so do not charge a fee for whatever Godly services you render to others. We have all been called into this kingdom by grace. Therefore everything must be done freely and in love. Romans 12:5-6 highlights the following:

"Even so at this present time  
also there is a remnant according  
to the election of grace. And if by  
grace then is it no more of works;  
otherwise grace is no more grace.  
But if it be of works, then is it  
no more grace, otherwise work is no  
more work" (Romans 11:5-6).

Which prayer house, church denomination or religious organisation can obtain an elder without charging money?

slaughtering of a goat for sacrifice in the name of celebration and even taking bribe before one is recommended? Can you mention any particular church denomination, prayer house or religious organisation which does not pay its clergymen salary at the end of the month? That is the reason why this kingdom has eluded them. They have no share in the kingdom of God. Whoever receives money for services rendered is not doing the work of God. When the people saw Christ at the other side of the sea, they said to Him: Rabbi comest thou hither? Jesus answered them and said:

"...Verily, verily, I say unto you, ye seek me not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled. Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the son of man shall give unto you; for him hath God the Father sealed."

(John 6:25-27).

This excerpt summarizes the major message He had for the world.

### DO NOT BE MONEY CONSCIOUS:

If you are paid for performing God's services, for instance, healing and giving visions, you are Judas Iscariot. The people of the world do not believe in the existence of the Holy Spirit. This faithlessness facilitates your claim to be speakers and movers of great mountains. Consequently, they charge for their so-called abilities. Why will they not remain in darkness. It is an inglorious act to rob God of His due attributes and glory. It is a slap on God's face for you to claim rights of His duties.

"Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses, Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes nor yet staves; for the workman is worthy of his meat."

(Matt. 10:9-10).

The above text contains the great commission. Whoever abides by His instruction, that is to render services to God freely will receive his reward directly from God. It is this type of workman that is worthy of his meat.

Obedience, it is said, is better than sacrifice. Do not fornicate, steal, eat fish or meat and do not put your mind in the things of this world. You should go into the vineyard, render services free of charge and hand over yourself to God, then the light of God will shine on you. His power, wisdom, peace, joy, and all good things will be showered on you. You say to yourself, 'I do not have the power of visioning spirit, money, and I cannot speak English Language very well: But I want you to realise that these are not the issues at stake. What qualifies you to carry out Christ's commission is to rise up and go into the vineyard believing that God is before and behind you. You have been told not to go with gold, silver, nor brass in your purse for your journey. You are further advised not to carry two coats nor shoes, for the workman is worthy of his meat.

You are enjoined to give freely, for you have also received freely. Therefore, as soon as you keep this injunction of God, you are blessed. You are asked to explore the vineyard and attend to the poor and needy. This does not mean that you should go and work for salary or use the power given to you to extort money from others. If you do that, it means you are working for the flesh and not for God. Many people are surprised that the Holy Father appointed a white Brother, Doctor J. Goring as the Leader's Representative in the United Kingdom. They argue that he had never visited the Holy Father before nor even baptised, and that on his first visit I appointed him as my representative in the United Kingdom. Only the wife and two of his sons got baptised. He himself is a founder of a church with more than ten branches in London. He is also a retired professor. I told him that I had for long been looking for him and that I have finally seen him. I further told him that whether or not he was baptised I have appointed him the Leader's Representative in the entire United Kingdom. His wife was on the spot appointed the deputy Leader's Representative. Tell me, who in this world can act so swiftly? I sometimes act like a demented fellow in the way some may reason. Many members of Brotherhood who have been here for onward of seven, ten or more years, were not appointed, but I chose him. Did I charge him any money? Would you say he applied for it? I did this to exemplify this teaching. Did he even know me? But he was appointed unconditionally. This is also a manifestation of what is written in the scripture that:

"It is not of him that willeth,  
nor of him that runneth, but of God

Brother Goring did not know how to pray in Brotherly love. As he had never heard of this kingdom, he only accompanied his two children, Christ servants Daniel and George, so as to know the headquarters of their organization. Also, he had wanted to know exactly what was so particular about the fold that made his children to be so interest in it. It was then that the Holy Father ordained him. The eyes of God are focused on all the parts of the world. He sees far and near, and no matter where you are, his hands are long enough to hold and make you his own tool.

Prophet Eli had two children, who were colonels in the army. He was already planning for one of them to succeed him. As he was busy proposing, God had to implement His own will, a direct opposite of what Eli was planning. When Hannah had given birth to Samuel, as a gift from God, she took the infant Samuel to prophet Eli as a tithe to God. Eli himself was not interested because to him, his two grown up sons were already there to take over the mantle of the priesthood.

### WORKING IN GOD'S VINEYARD:

Right from the beginning, the work of God has nothing to do with money, it is often done free. Yet it is very difficult for a person to surrender his child for God's ministry freely. Hannah had no child, but when God gave her one, she gave the child back to God as a token of appreciation. Not only that but she kept on catering for the child, by bringing to him food and other necessary things, while in the temple serving God. It was not Eli who demanded that the child be offered to God. Hannah did this on her own, because she had promised to dedicate her child to God, should God bless her womb with even one child. Accordingly, she fulfilled this promise. Then, Samuel remained there with Eli in the temple and grew up to be a loyal, honest, humble, loving and God-fearing child.

But Eli was not perturbed with the growing influence of Samuel in the temple because, he had his own children. So, he accepted the child, that scripture may be fulfilled. God called Samuel and used him as his prophet. Eli and his children were destroyed due to the iniquities of his sons.

"For whom he did fore know, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many

predestinate,them he also called:  
and whom he called,them he also  
justified:and whom he justified,  
them he also glorified.(Rom.8:29-30).

A reading of the text outlined above reveals the following:  
It was not Hannah, Samuel or Eli that acted, but God was in  
control. Eli in his human wisdom, believed that he had two  
grown up children who were able to succeed him when he  
died. Hannah on her side, had vowed to dedicate her child  
to God and finally surrendered him for His services. Hannah  
did not know the implication of what she did and for what  
purpose God would eventually use the child.

So, the house of Eli was to remain under God's judgem-  
ent for ever. As a prelude to the judgement, God revealed  
to Samuel that, the Isrealites were to engage the Philis-  
tines in a battle and they, the Isrealites would be heavily  
defeated. Outstandingly, the Ark of covenant was to be  
captured from the Isrealites and the two sons of Eli, Hophni  
and Phinehas were to be killed in the battle. All these  
were promptly related to Eli by Samuel. God who is all  
knowing, designed his plan as it was suitable to His divine  
cause. He knew that, if Eli had died leaving his two sons  
behind, one of them would surely succeed him and Samuel  
would be kicked out of the temple. On the other hand, if  
the two children should die and with Eli alive, he would be  
jealous of that position and would not allow Samuel a free  
hand in the administration of the temple. In order that  
nothing may obstruct the plans of God, He caused a fierce  
war in which the two sons of Eli were slain.

Eli himself died on the spot when he heard of the bad  
news from the war front that his two sons were slain and  
the Ark captured. Read (I Sam. 4:1-end). You will now  
realise that it was God who manipulated the whole thing  
in order to manifest His divine plans. Even Samuel himself  
was not aware of the fact that the throne was for him. He  
was not begotten by Eli nor was he even from the stock  
of Eli. Now would you say that Samuel bribed God for this  
glory? Everything that God did to Samuel was purely accor-  
ding to His will without any price attached. So, Samuel  
did not only succeed Eli as a reward for Hannah in surren-  
dering her child to God but she bore five more good  
children.

### GOD'S REWARD AND ORIGIN OF ENGAGEMENT

You would now see how God works. To serve the living



God is the most rewarding thing to do. Sometimes, you are to come and render one service or the other to God, but you turn around to ask, 'What will be my reward for doing this service', this is because you do not know the benefits derived in serving God. Whoever serves God cannot go unrewarded. If the government pays you salary in whatever you are assigned to, how much more God? I have never seen any who works for God and goes empty handed. It was never happened and it will never happen, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

When Abraham was seventy five years old, God instructed him to leave his native land Mesopotamia to wherever He would finally assign him. He obeyed God and left. He was never hungry, he went on serving the Lord and by the time he died he was one of the wealthiest people of that time. At the time God called Abraham he had no land to set his foot on, no place of abode, he had no children. However, he was not ~~detained~~<sup>discarded</sup>, he carried out the injunction of God. In this generation, all those who will inherit the kingdom of God are the descendants of Abraham. God indeed has multiplied the seed of Abraham. The entire moslem world come from Ishmeal. The Christians are the descendants of Isaac. These are all the heirs of Abraham. Esau and Jacob also are the children of Abraham. The whole world is the multiplication of Abraham's seed.

Abraham's occupation before he died was cattle rearing. He had sheep, goats, cows and animals of different description and many slaves. In spite of that, he sent his eldest servant in his house, to go to his Country, and get a wife for Isaac his son. In his reasoning the servant asked Abraham what next to do if the woman should refuse to follow him to Abraham's house. Abraham told him that the Lord God would send his angel before him to clear every obstacle and assured him that he would surely return home with a wife for his son, Isaac. The servant of Abraham then put his hand on the thigh of Abraham his Master and vowed that he would only bring a damsel from Abraham's Kindred to Isaac as a wife. The servant left with ten camels into Mesopotamia. Getting closer to the place outside the city, He made the camels to rest at a place nearer a well. It was in the evening and it was late for anyone to go out to draw water. He had nothing with which to draw water for the camels. At that very time two damsels came one of which was Rebekah with her pitcher upon her shoulder. The servant begged of the pitcher. So she gave it to him without hesitation. After that she volunteered to help in fetching water for the camels.

She made sure that all the ten camels were fed with water. As a result of such generosity the servant was convinced that she could be the right damsel to marry for Isaac. Moreover, Rebekah was the daughter of Abraham's brother. So, the man believed that she would be the right wife for Isaac. Being convinced, the servant of Abraham put his hand in his bag and brought out a gold ring which he slipped into the finger of Rebekah and that marked the origin of engagement ring. Rebekah ran quickly back to her parents and informed them of what had happened. The people came out and invited the servant of Abraham into their house. When he was given food to eat, he refused until he had narrated his mission. He told them the message from Abraham and Rebekah's kindness to him on his arrival at the city. He told them that with the warm reception given him he was quite sure that Rebekah was the right wife of Isaac. When he had ended his story, the family of Rebekah invited her to confirm her acceptance to the proposal. She readily accepted it before her parent and the servant of Abraham. Whom would you say was responsible for what happened? Was it not God? Hence the smooth engagement and occasional release of the betrothed wife to Abraham's servant as a wife for Isaac. The servant was very pleased and he brought forth Jewels of silver, Jewels of gold, raiment and gave them to Rebekah, her brother and mother. There was merriment and jubilation throughout the night. Can you now see the implication of that statement, freely ye receive, freely give, Rebekah was given freely, the family did not ask for any money.

The servant of Abraham, in order to reciprocate the gesture, presented many gifts to the parents of Rebekah. The servant and his men rose up in the morning and left with Rebekah after being blessed by her parents and finally arrived home safely. Isaac got his wife. Whom would you say was responsible for this? Was it not the Almighty God? When Isaac went to pray in the field, He lifted up his eyes and saw the camels coming. When Rebekah saw Isaac, she inquired from the servant about him. When she was told that it was Isaac, she immediately took a veil and covered her face. The servant told Isaac all things that he had done. Isaac brought her into Sarah, his mother's tent. She became his wife, Isaac was comforted after his mother's death. (Gen.24:1-end)

## THE SIGNIFICANCE OF TWINS

Rebekah conceived, she delivered twins. Twins means two kingdoms, and the twins Rebekah delivered were named Jacob and Esau. Jacob was of the white stock and Esau was of the black stock being the first son of Isaac. Whom would you say was responsible for all that happened, right from the beginning of this story. Was it not God?

It is said that when Rebekah was about to put to birth there was trouble between the twins in her womb. Esau, a black was born first seconded by Jacob, a white. It was prophesied earlier that Esau shall serve Jacob. And for this prophecy to manifest, Esau was made to encounter problems. Isaac was old and his eyes were failing, he could not see. He called Esau his older son and asked him to go out for a game so that he could prepare food for him with the animal. His intention was for him to bless his son after the dish. The mother of Isaac, Rebekah eavesdropped the conversation between her husband and her first son, took advantage of that and worked against Esau's interest because she loved Jacob, the second son more than the first son. She contrived a plan to use sheep at home to prepare a good dish for Jacob to take to his father so as to get blessed in place of his elder brother. Before Esau could come from the hunting, Rebekah had prepared the food and to confuse Isaac, the sheep skin was used by Jacob who was not as hairy as the elder brother. Jacob took the food to the father and implored the old man to eat so that he may bless him. But Isaac said to his son, 'How is it that you have found it so quickly'. Jacob ascribed his success to God in response to the father's question. Since Isaac was not convinced that he was Esau, he asked him to come nearer that he might feel him to know if he was really Esau. Jacob went closer to the father who felt his hairy body and said that the body looked like Esau but the voice was that of Jacob. Since the father was not convinced, he asked him if he was really his elder son Esau. He lied that he was. Isaac could not help, he had to collect the food and ate it. To make sure the person was Esau, he beckoned on 'Esau' to come nearer for a kiss. He wanted to smell the garment whether it was actually Esau. Having confirmed that the body odour was that of Esau's because of the garment, he then blessed Jacob.

Immediately Jacob received his father's blessing, he secretly fled from the presence of Isaac, his father. Thereafter, the older son of Isaac - Esau came in from his hunting. He also prepared a good food and brought it to his father to eat. Isaac was surprised to hear this and

asked who the person was. When he was convinced that Esau was the person before him, Isaac informed his son that someone else had already brought food to him and accordingly, he had eaten it and blessed the person. Esau on hearing this, asked the father if he has not reserved any blessing for him. And Isaac answered and said,:

"Behold, I have made him thy Lord,  
and all his brethren have I given  
to him for servants; and with corn  
and wine have I sustained him; and  
what shall I do now unto thee my son"?  
(Genesis 27:37).

Esau insisted to be blessed by his father. The father couldn't help and he said:

"Behold, thy dwelling shall be the  
fatness of the earth, and of the  
dew of heaven from above. And by  
thy sword shalt thou live, and shall  
serve thy brother, and it shall come  
to pass when thou shalt have the  
dominion, that thou shalt break his  
yoke from off thy neck".  
(Genesis 27:39-40).

Now, who do you think made this thing to happen the way it was? It was God who made Jacob to succeed at the expense of Esau, so that the scripture might be made manifest. All that occurred in that story as recorded in the scripture, was the will of the Father. All that we pronounce are known to the Father. Everything that happens is the will of the Father. The story above vindicate the saying, "The elder shall serve the younger." In this case, Jacob was a white while Esau was a black. Sequel to the story we have just heard, the blacks (Esau's descendants) are now serving the whites (Jacob's descendants). Since what happened was as a result of God's plan and design, then we can term the happening as glorious.

This explains why the whites triumph either by hook or crook. Imagine Rebekah advising Jacob to flee to her home town. While in exile, Jacob decided to get married. It was customary in the city that whenever a man wanted to marry their daughter, such a man must serve the would-be father-in-law for the period of seven years, before he could be allowed to marry. Jacob accepted the custom of the city and decided to serve the father-in-law for the said number of

years. Jacob's intention was to marry the second daughter after serving the family for the stated number of years. He did not benefit from the arrangement, the idea of his marriage was aborted. It was a law in that city that the first daughter should first marry before the younger ones. Jacob was disallowed to marry the second daughter of the family who was his choice. He was asked to marry the first daughter. However, he was given a condition should he insist in marrying the second daughter. This condition was that he should serve the family for another seven years. Jacob decided to serve them for additional seven years. After the seven years, he was given both women for marriage each with a house maid. This second daughter was Joseph's mother.

Furthermore, while Jacob was still serving his would-be father in-law, the head servant one day called Jacob and negotiated with him that as from that day henceforth, any offspring of any animal which was white would belong to the head servant while coloured ones would be owned by Jacob. They all agreed to that. Jacob with this tricks has more offsprings than the master. All he did was to add some black colours to a little quantity of water and used the solution on the offsprings, reproduced by them. With this trick, he outwitted the master. Consequently he was driven away. The whites generally exhibit the characteristics of their father Jacob. The whites regard the blacks as unintelligent and unimportant because they feel that they are superior to the blacks in terms of power, knowledge and technology development. In terms of wealth too, the blacks cannot compete with them. Therefore, it is the will of God, if not, the blacks would not have found themselves where they are.

However the table has turned also according to predestination. The next world Leader would come from the black race, this has been fulfilled, yet no one is aware of this fulfilment. Hence everybody is now watching and waiting for the coming of the next Leader. That is why, if you dare inform the whites that the Leader of the world is a black, you will not be forgiven by them. The whites really know the truth, but they do not want to make it known. All they do is to suppress the truth. It is the golden rule that determine and confirms the actions of the most High God as is expressed in the text below:

"So then it is not of him that willeth,  
nor of him that runneth, but of God  
that sheweth mercy." (Romans 9:16).

## THE AMERICAN HISTORY:

The Americans hail from Britain, as such, they are British. Since they believe that in His second advent Jesus would be born amidst the whites or Americans, they decided to deny Britain and fled to America and settled there. It was just of recent that they celebrated their fifth century anniversary. The Americans decided to serve God in the right way so that, should Jesus come back, He would be born among them, they would own Him, as their God. Moreover, in order that all things should be at their own disposal. Moreover, it is understood that 99% of the churches around, originated from America. The Americans are now taking the Israelites as their brothers. Both of them are now claiming to be the people to lead the entire world. This is a fallacy. Now that Brotherhood of the Cross and Star has sprung out in their midst and they too have seen it, they have decided to hold firm to the truth. That is why you see them coming here in their great numbers. They are yet to come because when they start to come, there will be no space here for the blacks.

Now, have you seen how God does His things? Realizing that the blacks lacked wisdom, intellect, knowledge, wealth, etc. He decided to send the Holy Spirit to us. The manifestation of the Holy Spirit has induced the whites to worship the blacks as the blacks did before. The Holy spirit which we are blessed with is not from man, rather it is through God's grace and love for the blacks. Have you then seen how God plans and designs His things? God has remembered and has answered Isaac's prayer for Esau. The time for its manifestation has come.

America is the first nation in the world to be very devoted to God. It is very religious. To confirm this fact you would notice that about 99% of the churches around originated from America. This statistics should convince you how religious or devoted they are in the services of God. In the case of the blacks, there has not been a time that a black man has accepted Jesus Christ, exalted Him or looked for Him. Rather it is juju and magical powers that interest the blacks. Their belief is that God does not die away. The blacks do not want to hear anything about our Lord Jesus Christ. All they know is to worship idols, mermaid and juju.

## GOD LOVES AFRICA:

As a result of God's will and mercy, we in Africa are

blessed with the Holy Spirit. The Americans are conscious of the existence of the Holy Spirit in Africa. Hence they are eager to join BSC in a very tremendous way. After all, money, knowledge and other material things are not their problem. Moreover, the Americans and other white nations have been deceived by many anti-Christians. There were many fake Christs in the world. The world now know the truth that the Holy Spirit dwells in Africa. As such, the whites now decide to worship Him with all their wealth and knowledge. The whites, especially Americans know much about Brotherhood of the Cross and Star than some members. They know that God is here in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. This is why they are exalting the Holy Spirit that much.

Brotherhood of the Cross and Star was taken to America in 1972 and since then, there has never been a problem. Rich people there undertake projects without looking for people to contribute towards it. But here in Africa, Nigeria in particular, we want people to contribute towards virtually all projects. The rich people in our midst are reluctant to finance projects to the Glory of God. In America, the people are practising the real teachings of God. They have been able to do this through the aid of the Father, since all things are done by the Father. America knows so much about Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Very soon, there will be an influx of these people into this kingdom.

In Los Angeles and California, there are two thousand, two hundred churches. Their practices are most orthodox. They use orchestral instrument which induces them to dance and clap their hands in the name of praising God. They believe that this is the only way they can please God. With Brotherhood of the Cross and Star in the scene, these churches discover the truth about how to worship God because, they know that the way Brotherhood of the Cross and Star worship God is in Spirit and in truth.

God has come to liberate man and those who are destined to be saved will surely have salvation. What the Holy Spirit does to America will also be accomplished in Asia, Britain, Africa and other places.

Brotherhood of the Cross and Star believes in free and selfless service to mankind. This is how the Father can be glorified. This will also convince people that the Holy Spirit indeed is in Africa. The teachings you receive here cannot be imparted by any other teacher other than the Holy Spirit. These teachings are so unique and novel that, the people of the world cannot comprehend them, as such they

misconstrue the power in this kingdom and attribute it to Belzebub. The world's secret societies have done their bid to research into the source of Power in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star. Since they cannot know anything about the fold, they now bow to the Holy Spirit because they know that Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is of God.

To prove that Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is the greatest thing that has happened to the world, you should first consider the type of love being practised by its members. It is simply heavenly. The Father uses this love to accomplish all the tasks on earth. In order to be a unique people, we must possess love and render free services to people.

### BROTHERHOOD OF THE CROSS AND STAR IS FROM ABOVE:

Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is not earthly but heavenly and it is a glorious kingdom of the Father. Everything in the kingdom is done by the Father Himself. The love that exists in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is divine. As such, this is not a place for money mongers. Our assignment is to be kind to one another. Take for instance, the six storey building financed by one man single handedly. He is brother Okpara Williams. Members are expected to emulate this good deed. Do the best you can towards the welfare of this kingdom and allow those you cannot for some other people. There is no problem at all if one cannot contribute to the enhancement of the Father's work. As a matter of fact, Brotherhood of the Cross and Star has already swallowed the entire world.

Anyone who wants to know and have the signs of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, should refrain from being a hireling and make sure he or she renders all services free. Anyone who needs to be paid some money before he/she preaches would be courting death. If on the other hand, you render all services freely, you are bound to see the glory of God manifesting on you.

Whoever is desirous of wisdom, knowledge, etc. should join BCS to acquire same. Here in the kingdom, there is power, money, love, peace, mercy etc. All these things are bestowed unto you freely. Accordingly, you must also give out freely. Our Lord Jesus had authoritatively declared His oneness with the Father because He administered to mankind freely. This is also applicable to you. The Father has many things in this kingdom and these things belong to you. This is so because, what belongs to God also belongs to the children of God.



How much are you paying me monthly for the teaching and preachings? Some full-time workers here are not emulating me in this regard. Rather, their aim is how much they are to be paid for preaching the gospel, healing the sick, child blessing, etc. I rendered all services freely. You should know that, to render free services to people is a part of Christ's teaching which is recorded at Matthew 10:7-11.

"And as ye go, preach, saying, the kingdom of Heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give. Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses. Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes nor yet staves: for the work man is worthy of his meat. And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence."

As such, we should de-emphasize the issue of money in whatever we do. The fact that I am rendering free services to people is why the glory and goodness of God has come my way. This type of God's glory in me is uncommon with other people because, man is money conscious in his dealing with other people.

Anyone who is desirous to inherit this kingdom should not be a hireling and a begger. God knows those who love Him and surely He provides their needs at the appropriate time. If God gives you power, you should not expect to have money at the same time from Him. Power of God and money do not go hand in hand. In the same vein, if you are blessed with money, certainly the power given you will be minimised.

Many churches do not believe that they have God in their midst. This explains why the members say that if God can do a particular thing for them, they will donate a certain amount of money in appreciation. In Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, we know the type of God we worship, so we do not through challenges at Him. He knows our needs and provides us with them without any effort in our part. Does it mean that without the promise to pay God that amount, He cannot do it for you? Or do you think God is poor? God does not help us for money because, He saves us out of mercy. What I mean here is that it is wrong to

promise God something in anticipation for what you request from Him. God is not interested in your money because, He saves you by grace. You should know that heaven and earth and things therein belong to God. We are to enjoy them gratis. You can show appreciation to God the way you like. God cannot commit you to make a promise to Him before some thing is done for you. Do not say that until God does this or that for you before you believe in Him. This notion is wrong, desist from such practice. May the Lord bless His Holy words. Amen.

Thank you Father.

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REWARDS FOR A DILIGENT SERVICE:

FIRST LESSON: JOHN 20 : 21 - 23

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SECOND LESSON: MATTHEW 28 : 19 - 20

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

GOLDEN TEXT: JOHN 14 : 12

Verily, Verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

THE MISSION OF JOHN THE BAPTIST:

This gospel seeks to remind you of the first covenant which God had with man. Before the advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, the gospel did not spread to every part of the world. John the Baptist pioneered the spreading of the gospel. As the forerunner of our Lord Jesus Christ, he was first to preach on repentance. But for John the Baptist, the world would have known nothing about Christ and His coming, His mission, and what was expected of man. Many people got repented through John's ministry and baptized.

There has never been any moment which God ceases to show concern about man's salvation. It is difficult for man to reconstruct, to rebuild or repair what was destroyed.

For instance, it did not take Joseph's brethren much time to sell him into slavery. It was very easy equally for Joseph to move his father and all his brethren to Egypt. When they got there, everything went smoothly and speedily as Joseph had planned. His family fully settled in Egypt. Problems arose when it was time for them to depart Egypt, the land of bondage. This explains why Christ enjoined all to enter into the narrow path because it leads unto eternal life, quite unlike the other way which is broad and smooth that leads to destruction. Incidentally and unfortunately, only very few get into the narrow path. A greater percentage of the people prefer the broad and smooth way.

It appears that animals in the bush are more sensible than human beings. The bush rat once asked a man who used a palm fruit to set a trap for it whether the palm fruit itself germinates and get ripened on the ground. The logic there is that man himself is so foolish to think that the bush rat does not know that the palm fruit is gotten on the top of the palm tree from where the ripened ones fall and are picked by the man himself. The bush rat, invariably, then wonders what stops it from getting the palm fruit from its source rather than from an isolated place. Man has continued in his foolishness right from the time of Adam even unto this day.

If Jacob and his household had known that their sojourn to Egypt would turn into slavery, would they have accepted the invitation by Joseph? I want you to learn a lesson from the above event. What really attracted Jacob and his household into Egypt? Was it not hunger and poverty? There was great famine at the time of that year and Jacob had no alternative than to accept the invitation to Egypt. If he had known that the invitation indicated an onward march into slavery, he would, of course, have rebuffed it. That is exactly what is happening in the world today. The men of this world are drawn into slavery and destruction because of their lust for material things. Moreover, if Joseph's brethren were to know that they were selling him to prominence, would they have done so? They did not know that they were rather doing him good by selling him into slavery. Even so, if Joseph himself, as Governor of Egypt had known that he was inviting his family into bondage, would he had done so? Of course not.

It is said that it is only the king who knows the secrets of His kingdom. Right from the time of Adam and Eve uptil now, man has remained so foolish and does not know where he goes to nor comes from. It is God alone who

knows the end from the beginning and vice versa. The situation with man could be likened to a child that has a wealthy father but continues to live in poverty, bondage, sickness and in pestilence. What wisdom is there in such state of affairs?

### THE SELL OUT OF BIRTH RIGHT:

Many things attract man's attention such as food, clothing, money and other material things. These are used to lure him into poverty and above all destruction. With what did Esau sell his birth right? Was it not for a little quantity of meal? If Esau had not been hungry, would he have sold his birthright? Have men not continued in that state of hunger until today? This explains the saying that a child that walks circumspectly will overcome and conquer what killed his father; but a child that does not walk circumspectly would surely fall a victim to the same demise that befell his father. Jacob did not wrestle Esau's position during a fight, neither did he steal it away from the incumbent while he was asleep. It was a conscious sell-out by Esau himself.

The call has now gone to you all to join the Father's service in this vineyard. This is the call you all have refused to heed. You rather prefer to marry and to be given in marriage; to buy and sell, to eat and drink and to make merry. Your great-grand parents, engaged in the same acts and got perished. Do you want to continue in the same acts and get perished in like manner? You should know that there is only little time for people to toy with and play about, thereafter is judgement. It is the duty of the angels to administer judgement at which time you will neither have the opportunity to see the Father or our Lord Jesus Christ nor will have the chance to defend yourself or repent. This is the right time for you to answer to His call, to repent and to serve Him diligently.

### THE GENESIS OF RACISM:

The things that obstruct you from serving God and surrendering yourselves to Him are food, marriage, money, and the rest of the mundane things. This is the time for you to keep your treasure in heaven. If Esau had known that his birthright was at stake, would he have accepted the little food? That singular action marked the beginning of racism and enslavement of the blacks till now. Esau only worked hard but did not enjoy the fruits of his labour.

The injunction was given to Adam and Eve to eat all

the fruits in the garden except the one in the middle of it; that the fruit consisted of good and evil, so any day they ate it, they would die. If Adam and Eve had only imagined the consequences and woes of eating that forbidden fruit, would they have attempted it? Can you now realise why it is said that 'had I known is the master of Mr. too late.'

All the calamities and woes that befell our parents and great-grand parents were through ignorance. Must we continue in the same ignorance? It is said that right from the time of John the Baptist, the kingdom of God suffered violence and only the violent and the powerful can obtain it. If John the Baptist had not denied everything, including his life, would any man know the way to salvation? He completely forsook conventional food, clothing and shelter; he had no wife, child; he had nothing. All these things he did that man may be saved. He is the first man who sacrificed and denied himself all goodies to pave way for the salvation of man. This is why Christ made this remark about Him:

"Truly, I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he".

(Mathew 11 : 11)

His attitude convinced people beyond reasonable doubt that he was God's messenger.

Before now, satan had declared God non-existent and has always waged war against anyone who identified himself with God. Because of that the people resorted to the worship of stones, trees and inanimate things. The prophets of God had constantly been killed to bring God's work to an abrupt end. The entire world has been thrown into utter confusion and darkness, a world of ignorance. God promptly sent down John the Baptist to lead man aright. There is a local adage which has it that, 'the food that the sick finds most delicious is what he eats to die'.

### MAN'S LUST:

If Adam had known the consequences of his request for a partner, would he have made it? Was it not the same partner that led him astray? The question now is, have men not continued in their ignorance to make the same requests? God created this world and its fulness thereof so that man

would have no cause to complain for anything. Man has allowed himself to be ruled over by the things he was meant to control and live on. Man has become rather drunk with the money, the food, the beautiful women, the handsome men and every thing that he finds on earth. The serpent spoken of is not a snake nor is it a human being. The serpent signifies MAN'S LUST for the material things, avarice. The fact was not that Adam and Eve had exhausted all the other fruits in the garden but because of their lustful passion.

It is a proven fact that God tempts no man, rather it is man who drives himself to destruction because of his insatiable lust. This statement is confirmed in James 1 : 13 - 15.

"Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempted he any man: But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin; and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."

The same thing happened in Noah's time where people bought and sold, married and gave in marriage, and engaged in various occupations. Noah preached for a period of one hundred and twenty (120) years but no one heeded to his words. In the end, the people and all their wealth and houses and farms were destroyed.

In the era of Lot, the situation repeated itself; the people ate and drank, bought and sold and made merry until fire descended from heaven and consumed them. Lot's wife, who disobeyed the instruction that no one should look back during the match forward, turned into a pillar of salt. If the people of old did that and got perished, as a result of disobedience, are you sure you will be spared for your action? It is stated in the scripture that :

"...Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment".

(Mathew 6 : 25)

Materialism stands between you and God. What happened to Lot's wife has continued to happen to you today. However, out of His infinite love, God has continued to preach out to the inhabitants of the world in order that they may see

reason to repent and accept Him.

The aim of youth Fellowship is purely evangelical and not your lust for materialism. Hence the Fellowship member should be prepared for thorough evangelical missions, take example from our Lord Jesus Christ. Let it be known to you that those who would not want the Lord to rule over them would have to be brought before Him and slain. But for the Christ students, the Youth Fellowship would not even have been formed. That was made possible because, this is a fellowship of people who have denied their parents, everything including their lives for the service of God. It is not adhoc committee. Their position conforms with the requirement stated for discipleship by our Lord Jesus Christ. See authority below:

"If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple". (Luke 14 : 26 - 27)

A man who employs labourers spells out the conditions of service to suit him better. And for the security of their service, the labourers have to adhere to the conditions of service. It is only the Christ's students that comply with the conditions of service in this kingdom. Except you are prepared to stake your life in God's service, you cannot do His work. Peter is one such devoted servant who loved his master so that he went about with a sword for His safety. Peter asked the Lord what their reward would be since they have forsaken everything and their loved ones to follow Christ. In His reply to Peter, Christ said:

"Verily I say unto you, that ye which have followed me, in the generation when the son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children or lands for my name's sake, shall receive an



hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life". (Matt. 19:28-29)

The question now is, what would happen if nothing has been made anew or before the regeneration? What happens if and when the son of man has not yet taken His position on the throne? Would you assume that He has failed in His promise? You can only be rewarded and exalted at the completion of work.

FIRST LESSON: JOHN 20 : 21 - 23

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REWARD FOR VICTORIOUS END:

The question now is, have you overcome? Is it reasonable for you to seek to be rewarded, when you have not yet accomplished your assignment? Reward is the end result of victory. That is the terms of our contract of service. The churches, the governments and all individuals want to be rewarded when nothing has been done. Christ says that if you die with Him, you shall also resurrect with Him and be glorified along side with Him. The Lord also promised that all those who suffer tribulations with Him would be exalted too. But will this promise manifest on you, if you fail to die and suffer with Him?

John the Baptist preached about repentance and the need for people to believe in Christ. Christ came for the salvation of man; to use the word to restore man to the position of sonship. He also gave an injunction that there must be baptism for the remittance of sins. The assignment of Our Lord Jesus Christ ended with the shedding of His blood on the cross. He proclaimed that :

"Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the comforter will not come unto you, but if I depart, I will send him unto you". (John 16 : 7).

Christ came to mediate between God and man, and to bring man back to his lost glory. He also said that:

"He that believeth on me, the works that

I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do, because I go unto my father". (John 14 : 12).

At the end of His assignment, Christ had to vacate the scene for the Comforter and get glorified. John the Baptist departed at the end of his assignment which terminated with the baptism of Christ. If Christ had not completed His work, He would have continued to live upto today. To mark the conclusion of His assignment, Christ said:

"I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit, when he, the spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak; and he will show you things to come..."

(John 16 : 12 - 14).

Before His departure, Christ told His disciples that they would be partakers of same tribulations He suffered. See excerpt below:

"And ye shall be betrayed both by parents and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death. And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake."

(Luke 21 : 16 - 17).

Accordingly, none of Christ's disciples died a natural death they all died in violence. All the things that are now had been there yet, the disciples denied all of them and followed the Lord.

My real mission was to come and execute judgement and give rewards to people according to their works. However, as I arrived the scene (the earth), I found that the people have not really repented, despite the repentant and redemptive works of John the baptist and Our Lord Jesus Christ respectively. The ground that was cleared and tilled has overgrown again with weeds, thistles and thorns. Thus, I have to reconstruct the world all over again. This is WHY I DELAYED THE JUDGEMENT. I now have to teach, and change the whole world and establish the kingdom of God. *mark 1: 22*

### CHRIST BEARS WITNESS TO THE COMFORTER:

Christ Himself bore eloquent testimony about the Comforter, the spirit of truth whom He promised to pray the Father to send in His name. To state the much exalted position

of the Holy Spirit, Christ made it clear that:

"Whosoever speaketh a word against the son of man, it shall be forgiven him, but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world nor in the world to come". (Matt. 12:32).

He further said that:

"He that rejecteth me, and received not my words, hath one that judgeth him; the words that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day. (John 12:48).

The Israelites and the Jews in particular rejected the Lord and His words, and for that, they were destroyed almost at the point of being exterminated from the surface of the earth. Those that were left settled in various parts of the world. Therefore, Christianity is not practised in Jerusalem or in Rome. These were the people who rebelled against the Lord and His words. There is no man anywhere who is capable of teaching you the truth except the Holy Spirit as promised by God. One may like to ask, what did the people gain when they killed Him? If the Israelites and in deed the whole world, had known that He brought salvation to mankind, would they have killed Him? The Jews have continued to be plagued with wars, deaths and various other problems for rejecting Him and His words.

### THE EVERLASTING GOSPEL:

What you have now is the EVERLASTING GOSPEL, the grand final of all gospels. The various church denominations and faiths are not to blame for whatever doctrines they now profess and their attitudes towards the children of God. Christ had revealed through Paul when he told Timothy:

"I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the

truth, and shall be turned  
unto fables. (II Timothy 4:1-4).

**Christ also spoke through Paul that:**

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

How can one go to war unarmed and expect to conquer? The rest of the church denominations have failed because they are unarmed; they have not put on the armour to enable them withstand the storm in wartime. This is a spiritual warfare (Armageddon war) that no ordinary human eye can see.

### AN ILLUSTRATION:

Once, there lived a certain man who had a vineyard and employed the services of labourers to keep watch over the farm. When the owner of the vineyard sent his messengers to go and harvest the farm, the attendants killed them. The owner of the farm sent another group of messengers, the attendants also killed them. Finally, the man sent his only begotten son to the farm and he was also killed by the attendants. Our Lord Jesus Christ who gave the illustration asked what would happen to those attendants, if the owner of the vineyard finally arrived at the farm. His adherents answered that, the man would destroy all the attendants and appoint the people of His choice. He said further that, the kingdom would be taken from them and given to another people who would bear good fruits. The lucky people were not mentioned but these are those who obey Him and do His will. Have you produced good fruits?

The fundamental teachings of Christ centre on diligence and obedience. Christ was born into a large and extended family but did not allow the extended family system to stand on His way to serving God diligently. If He had not done so there would not have been any gate through which the world would be saved. As He was preaching to the people in a certain place, somebody intimated Him of the presence of His biological family - mother and brethren, desiring to have audience with Him. He said:

"Who is my mother? and who are my  
brethren? And he stretched forth

His hand toward His disciples,  
and said, Behold my mother and  
my brethren. For whosoever shall  
do the will of my Father which is  
in heaven, the same is my brother,  
sister and mother". (Matt. 12:48-50).

In another instance He declared that not all those that call Him Lord will inherit the kingdom of God but only those that do what was pleasing to His Father. The kingdom of God therefore, belongs to the obedient and hardworking ones. Your work is to go out and preach the gospel and practise same to the people. Those who refuse to listen to you, shake the dust off your feet before you leave, to serve as a witness. Such stubborn people should expect calamity either in their house or in the city. That is the reason why it is said in our lesson that whoever sins you forgive, shall be forgiven and those whose sins you retain shall also be retained.

### YOU ARE JUDGES:

You may not realise that you have been made judges. It is for this reason that Christ asked the people the reason for taking their cases to the worldly judges for settlement instead of taking such problems to the knowledgeable and wise ones in their midst. See excerpt below for a confirmation:

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DARE ANY of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints? Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the smallest matters? Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to his life?".  
(I Corinth. 6 : 1 - 3).

any person that accepts you and is ready to be baptised stands saved but whoever rejects you is condemned. One person planted and another watered but God provides the growth watered to enjoy together with those who harvest. Christ shed his precious blood for the salvation of mankind. You have instead preferred the world and its various professions to the service of God. You should lay to yourself treasure in heaven where thieves will not break into and moth both corrupt

### SECOND LESSON: MATTHEW 28 : 19 - 20

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baptizing them in the name of the Father,

and of the son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

### THE CHILDREN OF GOD:

The children of God are scattered all over the world, and except one goes in there to preach the gospel, to sound the last trumpet to them, it will be difficult to get them gathered into one sheepfold. Can you really accomplish this task now that you are so attracted into materialism? Your work is basically that of soul-saving.

### THE GOSPEL OF ONENESS:

Our work has nothing to do with healing, money-making, or vision but to preach the gospel of liberation and repentance. Preach the gospel of oneness - one love, one God, one destiny, one currency and one kingdom. This kingdom has nothing to do with men, money, food or anything mundane. Brotherhood of the Cross and Star is not a church but the kingdom of God. A new wine has to be put in a new wine skin. Whether you are a Reverend Father, Bishop, Elder, Millionaire, Professor or Scientist; none of the above have anything to do in this kingdom. What is important in this kingdom is righteousness. As the Father had sent Him, so has He sent you all to go into the world and make all persons His disciples. That is the charge.

When some adherents after listening to the gospel, asked the Apostles how they would be saved, Peter replied:

"Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost..."  
(Acts 2 : 38 - 39).

It is written that as many as received Him, to them gave he power to be sons of God and even those that believe on his name. He has anointed you with a charge to go into the field and preach the gospel, making all nations His disciples and baptising them in the name of the Father and of the son and of the Holy Ghost. It is also prophesied in the scripture that:

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams".  
(Acts 2:17)

Have all these promises not fulfilled in this kingdom? Has the Father not endowed you with the spirit? You should therefore, go into the world fearlessly and preach the gospel for He is with you always even to the end of the world. Whoever perishes, his blood will be upon his head. Everybody should be reminded of the inspired statement of Paul as recorded in I Corinthians 7 : 29 - 31

" But this I say brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none; And they that weep as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not; And they that use this world, as not abusing it; for the fashion of this world passeth away."

Accordingly, this is not the time to seek for money, wife, husband, children or other mundane things.

A certain man accepted to follow Christ but would wish to go and bury his father, first. Christ told him to allow the dead to bury their dead, that he should go and preach the gospel. Even here in this kingdom, I serve as an example in the sense that, I have been in this service since 1956 full time without travelling to my home town. You should always put the gospel of God above everything in your life, for His promise will not fail to fulfil in you. You should not carry anything along with you into the vineyard for He has promised never to leave you comfortless and will be with you always. He knows that a labourer is worthy of his hire.

### THE FUTURE OF THE WORLD:

The calamity that awaits the world is so great. I have nothing to do with the world nor its glory. I am your leader and the Sole Spiritual Head. I do not put on shoes, wrist watch, hat nor do I drive in a car. Do you think I do these

things because I am crazy? The world is plagued with famine, diseases, wars, and various calamities. All these are mere indications of police action, the preliminaries of the main thing to come. During the civil war in Nigeria, and indeed in every other country, all cultural, religious, economic and social activities are grounded to a halt. At such times, burial ceremonies and rites were never conducted. People were only after their dear lives. Unfortunately, man is quick to forget about the past and to make nonsense of himself in the future. You should now wake up and live! Go out and preach the gospel. It is erroneous for anyone to think that none resembles Our Lord Jesus Christ in performing the works that He did. This is the right time for anyone who cares to fight for his salvation.

GOLDEN TEXT: JOHN 14 : 12

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FOLLOW THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST:

For those of you who are still awaiting the second coming of the Lord, what do you expect Him to come and do? Has he not made it clear in our golden text that, the works that He did would you do also? The question is, what work did He do? Whenever He healed the sick, or raised the dead He would warn them to desist from their former acts lest worst things will happen to them. Those who went back to their former sins either died or suffered from worst ailments. This is because they did not repent nor mortify the flesh. Today, more wonderful works are performed in Brotherhood of the Cross and Star because, the children of the fold believe in Him, do His will and in turn, the Holy Spirit abides in them.

Whoever believes in the Lord has nothing to do with idolatry, magic or medication of any form. Many people testify to the fact that there is power in Brotherhood but that the source of the power is a mystery. Is that not foolishness? If the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost are here with us, why should we not do greater works than them?

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

It is said that, heaven and earth shall pass away but no jot of the word of God will pass away without being fulfilled



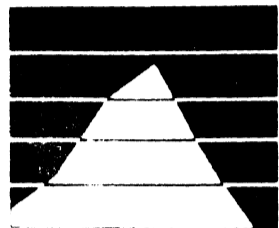
Can you not realise the manifestation of His statement that whoever believes in Him would perform even greater works than He Christ did? The work which the Holy Spirit is doing on earth has never been performed since the world was created. The members of Brotherhood of the Cross and Star therefore, enjoy special privileges and are beyond human destruction. Whoever refuses to serve God has no excuse to give. The Holy Spirit has taken over both the world and its activities. He has now installed His rulership on earth.

Christ rightly pointed out that, no man can plunder the house of a stronger man except he is first bound hands and legs. If mankind were not humiliated, would any person accept God? All the pestilences and deaths in the world are the handiwork of God to subdue man and force him to accept Him. Man boasts of his academic qualifications, his money, his wife, husband or estates. With all these things around him, man would never worship God at all and would even deny His existence. But if man loses all his wealth, power and position, he will promptly turn to God. The only way to bring salvation to the world is for you to go into all parts and preach this gospel to the people. All those who accept you, have received the Holy Spirit and are saved from every problem. There is no distinction between the blacks and the whites. This is the era of oneness; the period human beings should love one another. He has promised that all knees must bow to Him and every tongue sing praises to Him. Any president, Governor, Prime Minister or even nation that accepts Him shall enjoy prosperity, good health and eternal life.

The words of Christ have now fulfilled. He said that, whoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it. Equally, all those who deny the things of this world and follow after Him shall have them a hundred fold. The kingdom and glory of God have been made manifest today but, where are the witnesses to go out and tell the story to the world? The Father has crippled the entire people of the world and rendered their knowledge and power useless. It behoves you to go into the world and fish out all the other children of God so that they will be saved. May God bless His Holy words. Amen.

Thank you Father.

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