

EVERLASTING GOSPEL DELIVERED

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THEME: - BEFORE GOD NOTHING IS EVIL

First Lesson: Romans 11:11-12

"I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy. Now if the fall of them be the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fullness?"

Second Lesson: Romans 5:20

"Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:"

Golden Text Romans 8:28

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Brethren, from what you have heard you can now realise what is going on. I don't intend to take you that far, but I want to point out to you that there is nothing evil. Whether the rain falls for the period of one year it is not bad; whether the sun shines for a period of five years it is not evil. It is said that the children of God takes everything to be good. If you have this kind of wisdom you will have no problem.

Our first lesson says" Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid; but rather through their fall Salvation is come unto the Gentiles", If the Israelites did practise the word of God do you think God would have been yours now? We use to call Him the God of Israel, the God of Jacob, God of Abraham, God of Isaac, and so on; if these persons had accepted the word of God and practise it, would you have owned God today?

If the Ethiopians have practised the word of God, how then would the word of God have found its roots in this part of the globe? The Americans uphold that on the second coming of Christ that he will surely rest in America, because they believe that they have money, buildings and riches, hence they tag America "God's own country". If they were to practise the word of God, would you have had the opportunity to have the word of God today?

If the Catholics were to practise the word of God, would you have had the word of God travelling all the way down here? If all the church denominations that replete the whole world were to practise the word of God, then how would you have had the word of God, talkless of practising it? Who would have known you in the first place?

You have heard what our second lesson says that "the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:" People are crying that things are so tough and the going is bad. Others argue that people can hardly make ends meet; and yet you say that God is here on earth. Yes! God is here on earth that is why things are the way they are today. People ask you "if God is here on earth why then are things so tough and deaths everywhere?" that is true. It is the calamities and predicaments you experience that bring much grace and goodies to you.

Somebody may tell you that from 1950 to 1989 his business was moving smoothly; but now things have gone hay wire, the

business crumbled, temptation everywhere and that he has no money to keep life going. And I ask, if that person was not faced with what he calls temptation would he have known God? Then if it is through temptation, sickness, lack, hardship, or tribulations that befall us and we come to know God, is there anything bad about that?

This gospel is intended that all evil thoughts and mix feelings should be removed from your minds. Do not pray that God should take away any situation, happening or anything whatsoever. Whatever you see is planned and executed by God and the same is good.

GULF CRISES: A BLESSING TO NIGERIA

Do not criticize God any longer. Do not ask why God should allow one thing or the other to happen. Whatever happens (whether you call it good or evil) brings to us good things. Consider what goes on in the secular arrangement and you will realise that everything that happens worketh for good to them that love God. For instance the recent Gulf crises has become a blessing to Nigeria, because of the short supply of crude oil in the world market. Arising from that many countries now approach Nigeria to purchase oil. And Nigeria is enjoying an era of oil boom. The problem in the Gulf has brought prospects to Nigeria. Can you see God's arrangement. If Nigeria did not benefit from the squabble in the Gulf where would this country have had the money to finance the problem in Liberia. And because of Nigeria spearheading the peace move in Liberia, Nigeria is mentioned all over many countries of the world. But for the crises in the Gulf, and Nigeria directly benefitting from it, Nigeria would not have been so buoyant.