

THE SERMON DELIVERED BY THE HOLY FATHER ON 30TH
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THEME: REWARD

- 1st Lesson: John 17:7 *"Now they know that everything that thou given me is from thee"*
- 2nd Lesson: Gal. 6:7 *"Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap"*
- Golden Text: II Cor. 9:6 *"The point is this: he who sows sparingly will reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully"*

CHAPTER I

YOU CAN NOT DECEIVE GOD

1. Brethren that is our gospel tonight. If you are a ruler, poor or a wise man and deceive others, you can not deceive God
2. A wife can deceive her husband, and vice-versa, but none of them can deceive God
3. You pray that God should not cast you away among His elects. How will he not cast you away since you do not obey him. Don't you remember that obedience is better than sacrifice?
4. When he sent you on a message you refused to go and prayed after that he should forgive you. That is a willing sin which needs no forgiveness.
5. If you do not surrender your heart to Him, He will not dwell there. Do not forget that "Blessed are the poor in heart; for they shall see God".
6. Paul was the most active one, although he was not among the Twelve (12) disciples. Right from the day God called Paul he became a

changed and devoted Christian. He surrendered completely to God. He used his turban to heal the sick and perform wonders. Since you were called into Brotherhood of the Cross and Star till date you have not changed from your former acts. What is your gain?

YOU WILL REAP WHAT YOU SOW

7. Once you commit fornication, adultery, or steal you are far away from God and must get your reward.
8. During the launching if you give one penny you will receive same as your gain, if you give £5.00 you also receive same. That means if you give £1,000.00 you are rewarded same. If you plant yam, you will reap yam and not cassava. A goat cannot give birth to a Cow.
*Nor a dog give birth to a rat.
You can not reap if you did not plant except you are a thief.*
9. When you attend prayer once in a year, same also you will receive the blessing. Jesus Christ said that the Kingdom of God is by struggling, he who wins the rest shall own it. You should not be weary in well-doing throughout your-life time.
10. Most of you were good healers, visioners, etc but today the father has taken the gift from you and give to another person. This is because you did not make good use of the gift given to you by Him. That is why the bible says, that the first shall become the last and the last become the first.
11. God knows you when you recognise Him. That was why Christ said, at the last days he will say depart from me, you the workers of iniquities. There is no room for sinners here.
12. If you do God's work in a tricky way, you will depart here empty. Something, if you do His work whole-heartedly you will receive abundantly. Because whatever a man soweth same shall he reap. That is why the second lesson says "Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap".

COPY NO ONE

13. You continue drinking, fighting and quarelling and then claim to be a Pastor. What does that mean? I advise you not to copy anybody but

God Himself because the Pastor will get his reward according to his work.

14. God does not teach you to steal, commit fornication, adultery and stop attending prayers because whatever you sow that you will reap.
15. Whoever does not surrender himself and househole to God does not know God, because a house divided against itself can not stand.
16. *Whoever fail to pay tithe to God will pay to satan and get the satanic reward which is punishment and death.*

REWARD

17. Take good example with Cain and Abel. God accepted the sacrifices of Abel but rejected that of Cain. That is why up till today Cain is lamenting over God's refusal of his offering. But in the case of Abel, God is blessing him continuously.
18. What is the reward Cain received from God today who did God's work in a cunny way? What will also be your reward?
19. Right from the creation of the world who had *ever deceived God?*
If you practise the word of God you are His friend.
20. Solomon was beloved of God but since he did not depart from the idolatory woman he finally offended God by following her way. That is the same problem most of you are facing today.
21. God does not promote or demote anybody but your hand work promotes or demotes you. Whatever you sow same shall you reap, be you a thief, juju worshipper a liar or a peacemaker.
22. If you want to receive blessings from God avoid committing sins, because whoever commits sin is a servant to it.

THE REAL CHILD OF GOD

23. Your wife is suffering because you do not care for her rather you care for another woman outside, you are a blind man. You are the one that washes outside the cup so that people may see.
24. You claim to be a man of God but on the way you see a man with

problems, rather than helping him you drive off with your motor. But a murderer stops and help the person. The murderer is then a child of God and he shall be saved. Do you not remember the Good Samaritans?

25. Do you remember the two robbers, one was saved. That was the penitent one who rebuked the other when he was saying that, Christ should save Himself and both of them. Christ said to him "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in my Paradise". This was as a result of the request made by the penitent robber.
26. You who continue to sin and hope that you shall be saved like one of the robbers, why were both of them not saved?
27. Do not look at Pastor, Evangelist, Bishop or any person but God alone, because whatever you sow same shall you reap. God is not a respecter of any person. He has nothing to do with your post but your good hand work.
28. Do not follow God because you want to receive something from Him, but follow so that you may do His work, because whatsoever you sow same you will reap. God is not a respecter of any person. He has nothing to you do with your post but your good hand work. I repeat.
29. Have you seen the reason one can not deceive God? God knows everything, in so much that when you give a little, you will also receive a little and when you give more, more shall you receive.
30. Out of the ten (10) lepers that were clean one of them went back to thank God. Because of his action Christ pronounced that he had been well. Since the one leper submitted himself, God raised him above the rest. That is why God said that whatever a man soweth same he shall reap.

THE EVIL THAT MEN DO

31. When you do evil, you do no one, but yourself.
32. When you do good, you to no one, but to yourself.
33. If you are a thief, thieves shall be stealing your properties. If you are a liar, people shall be telling you lies. What about if you take a wife

from her husband or a husband from his wife? Same shall be done unto you. This gospel should be written down in your record books for future revision.

34. Have you forgotten what our Lord Jesus said about this point? "Judge not so that you shall not be judge; condemn not so that you shall not be condemned and with the measure you mete, it shall be measured to you again."
35. Why are you annoyed when people speak evil against you, and those who are speaking against you, others too shall speak evil against them. No fasting, feasting nor prayers can take this away.
36. All the evil you do to others are waiting for you. And all the good things you do are equally waiting for you. God is no respecter of any person. That is why the bible says that whatsoever you wish that people should do to you, do same to others. That is the law of the prophets.
37. Everyone has to carry his own burdens because at the last day you will give account of your work on earth.
38. That is why in doing God's work there is no young nor old persons, as you do same you receive.

REPENTENCE

39. *If you have been committing sins withdraw and repent when it is not too late, because whatever you sow same shall you reap, wether good or bad.*
40. *I will not keep you long, those who have ears let them hear, May God be with you. A m e n*

Thank You Father

CHAPTER 2

A MAN REAP WHAT HE SOWS

“Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap, for he who sows to his own flesh will reap corruption, but he who sows to the spirit will from the spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary in well-doing for in due season we shall reap, if we do not lose heart”.

There was a certain King who had a farm. He invited some people to go and work in the farm. On his invitation three men went and worked there. They were to level the ground. The first person went with a spade, the second with matchet and the third with a fork. They all did this not knowing that they will reap what each of them sows.

When the owner of the farm visited the farm with the aim of supervising how the work was in progress. He then discovered that some of them were joking. He stayed with them and after sometimes he bid them farewell, and departed. At the close of the day's work the workers went to the owner of the farm to collect their pay. Mark you, before they went to work there was no settlement of how much the man will pay the workers nor how much the workers will collect. When the man welcomed them from the farm and asked them that whatever implement each of them used in working shall be used in collecting their pay. On hearing this they were surprised for the first time. Before then, the owner of the farm had put coins in one room until it filled the beam. The man called on the first worker who was using spade in working at the farm. The man answered the call with a spade in his hand as instructed before. He then used the spade to collect the money out of the room, while the man who used matchet in working also used it in carrying the money (coins) from the room. Don't forget that whatever a man sows that he will also reap. Which of the three do you think had received the highest pay? The man with fork tried but not even a coin agreed to stay on the fork nor the fork itself agreed to carry it. He decided to use his hands to collect some coins but the owner of the farmland disagreed the action, and told him that the implement (fork) he used in working should be used in receiving his pay. The man finally went home with nothing. He has reaped what he soweth. That was number one.

The man with matchet managed to carry only a very few coins. Even though he carried few however his own was better than the man with fork who carried not even a coin. The man who used spade in working was the hardest worker who had the gospel that says "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows that he will also reap. . . ." He had successfully carried more coins from the room because whenever he dig in the spade inside the coins the coins would answer his call. He went home with smiles. Right from that day he became a very rich man in his town and his people decided to make him a king.

You are very lucky to be called into this kingdom but whenever there is launching you run away and hide yourself. You are hiding yourself and not that of another person. Most of you do not pay the full-time workers maintenance, you don't attend men, women, general, Elders, etc fellowships. You have less interest in whatever other members do in the Bethels this is because you do not practise the word of God that says that whatever you sow same you will also reap. Or do you think that this word is in vain? Repent because the time is too short.

CHAPTER 3

THE WAGES OF SIN

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal Life through Jesus our Lord".

There was once a Synod attended by a few higher dignitaries in the Church. Those in attendance were of the rank of a Bishop and above. They were more than two thousand in number. The meeting was very important and the first of its kind. At the end of their meeting and as usual, one of the Bishops was asked to serve others with Holy communion. The Bishop who had the call was very happy because of what he nursed in his heart. He went inside a room and got the communion prepared. During the time of preparation he poisoned the communion without the knowledge of others. Do not forget the saying of Jesus the Christ to Peter "Put your sword back into its place; for all who take the sword will perish by the sword."

When he was going outside the room to serve the communion, a wonderful thing happened. What was that? The thunder struck around the table and the serving Bishop. The table, wine and bread scattered. The

Bishop himself was half-dead. All these happened because the said Bishop had secretly planned to kill all those who attended the meeting by poisoning the Holy Communion. Mark you it is called Holy communion. The Bishop did not think of the gospel that says "for wages of sin is death. . . ." "For whatever a man sows that he will also reap. . . ."

Before the wicked Bishop gave up he confessed many wicked acts he had earlier committed and above that he told the members of the Synod how he poisoned the communion. And that he deserved the death he underwent. It was then the spirit of the Lord got into his heart and he quoted "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord". Immediately after his confession he died on the spot.

Brethren, if you want to have eternal life you should from henceforth refrain from all bit of sins.

CHAPTER 4

WHATEVER YOU DO, YOU DO TO YOURSELF

"Do not be deceived; God is not mocked for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."

There was a very poor man in a certain town. In that town was also a very rich man who became the king. The poor man had lost his father and mother when he was very young.

The poor man who had no food to eat even once a day became a beggar. Everyday he used to go to the Kings' house for his daily bread. Each time the king would order his servants to prepare food for the poor man. When the poor man finishes eating the food he would greet the king "Whatever you do, you do not do to me but to yourself". One day when the poor man had left, the rich man's neighbour called him (king) and asked if he had not been hearing the insulting words the poor man do tell him after eating his food? The king said "No" He told the king that the poor man used to curse him saying "Whatever you do, you do not do to me but to yourself". The king was very angry and promised to do something about it when he will hear it by himself.

On the following morning the poor man went back to the Kings' house

and begged for his normal food. As a laid down instruction, the food was given to him. After eating, he greeted the king as usual "Whatever you do, you do not do to me but to yourself." When he left, the King called his neighbour and told him of the poor mans' greetings; and promised to reward him because of the 'greeting'.

Reward 1

The king went and bought acid and other dangerous drugs and mixed them together. He poured it inside one supper-leaf bread and put it inside the waterprove and kept it for the poor man.

When the poor man went there the next morning, the king told him that there was no food in the house except a loaf of bread which he handed over to him. The poor man took the bread and thanked the King in his normal way "Whatever you do, you do not do to me, but to yourself". He went away with the bread instead of eating it at the spot as usual.

But all other days the poor man used to eat whatever he is given at the Kings' house. What made the poor man to go along with the bread, is the question.

As a king, he had many wives and children. On his way, the poor man saw the children of the king playing at the playground. They all went and embraced him. He told the children that he has just returned from their father's house and that their father was the one who gave him the bread. He decided to share the whole loaf of bread to all of them. They all took the bread with thanks and ate it. The poor man went his way without eating even a piece of it. WHY? Remember his greetings, "Whatever you do, you do not do to me but to yourself."

Reward 2

At a very short time after the departure of the poor man, all the children of the king who ate the bread died on the playground. This happened without the knowledge of the poor man. When a man of the town was passing-by he saw the children laying down, he went nearer and discovered that they were all the kings' children. He called one after the other and no one answered him. He then touched one after another but none responded. That was the time he realized that the children were all death.

The man went to the Kings' house and informed his servants of the happening. The servants then told the master (King). On hearing the news he could not believe until when he got to the playground. Even then his eyes

could not believe it. People in the town were crying none-stop. What would you think then were the actions of the wives? No one could tell any of them "take heart".

When the King opened and closed eyes, he discovered that the death children were his. A magnetic thoughts visited him and he remembered that it could be the poor man had given the bread he gave to him to the children. He (king) then sent for the poor man for questioning. If he had given the bread to the children. The poorman, not knowing that the bread was poisoned obeyed the call and went to the King. The king asked if he had given the bread he gave him to his (king's) children. The poor man said "YES". At that point the greeting of the poor man visited his mind "Whatever you do, you do not do to me but to yourself".

The King ordered his wives, people of the town and visitors to stop crying and that the event was the reward of his hand work. The king told the people that when he used to give food to the poor man, after eating he would greet him "Whatever you do, you do not do to me but to yourself". How his neighbour advised him that the poor man was cursing him after eating the food and how he poisoned a loaf of bread to the poor man. According to the king "What wondered me mostly is that other days when I gave the food to the poor man he used to eat at the spot. But the poisoned bread, he took it home without any idea that I had poisoned it, and at the sametime he gave the bread to my children instead of eating it himself. It then means that whatever I do, I do to myself. That is why my poisoning the bread to the poor man, I in turn poisoned my children and not the poor man. That means the greeting of the poor man is fulfilled in me. I have reaped what I soweth. I am now advising you all not to listen to friends and copy them. Not to plan evil against anybody because whatever a man sows, same he will also reap", the king declared.

The king set the poor man free because he was innocent of the event while all the blames were on the king himself. The poor man went his way happily, although he wept over the death of his master's children.

CHAPTER 5

THE DISHONEST STEWARD

“He who is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and he who is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much.”

There was a very rich king who married a beautiful wife. The wife had a brother who was an applicant. One day the wife called her husband (king) and requested him to look for a job to her brother. The King accepted her request and promised to help.

On the following day the king bought a very big goat and gave it to his wife's brother, an applicant, to slaughter and cook and that when he finishes he should call his attention. The King did not tell his wife nor her brother that that was an interview. When the boy had finished the cooking he called the attention of the King. When the King inspected parts of the goat he discovered that most of the important parts were missing. He then invited the attention of his wife and reported the incident. The King then told his wife and her brother his intention to employ him as Chief Accountant in one of his companies. He said since the boy was not faithful in a very little thing then he will not also be faithful in much. The King sent the boy away in his compound right from that time. But for the love the husband has for his wife, the man would have sent his wife away due to her brother's dishonesty.

We should be faithful for all what we do because whatever we do, we shall have the reward for good or bad.