

THEME: SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

First Lesson ; Collossians 3 ;2

Second Lesson 2nd Corrinthians 4 ; 18

Golden Text; Matthew 6 ; 33

Brethren what is read out to you constitute the theme of our revelation this morning. What you refer to as Monday which was the second day of last week, and untill the first day of this week which is Sunday all our business days in this kingdom of God. Our first lesson has told us that we should set our affection on things above and not on things on the earth. And our second lesson has told us that, we should not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen, because the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal. And our golden text has told you, to seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all other things shall be added unto you.

THE ISREALITES LEFT EGYPT TO LOOK FOR THEIR NATION.

Have you now realised what is before you, before myself and before all of us? Moses sought for this Kingdom, Abraham, and Jacob and the rest of the patriarchs sought for this kingdom; and this is the kingdom which is before us now. The children of God require their own city because they are oppressed by the world. The Isrealites were in Egypt cultivating the lands, buying and selling and they did everything for their comfort.. What would have caused them to go out of Egypt? It was because they required a nation of their own.. That was why they forsook all what they were doing and looked for a land of their own. If they had not looked for a nation of their own they would not have gone out of Egypt... If you search the scriptures you will realise that God promised this kingdom to Abraham and his children. That is why all of us longed for it. If you find somebody going naked, or find somebody in tattered dress, all what he does is for the sake of obtaining this kingdom.

KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR, DREAMT OF THIS KINGDOM.

Remember King Nebuchadnezzar. As at that time God revealed this kingdom to him. Daniel interpreted the dream for him. Daniel interpreted that kingdoms upon kingdoms shall come. This one shall come and be established. It shall grow beyond bounds and later it shall pass away. Another kingdom shall come and shall grow, the fame shall spread all over the world and later it shall pass away. But at the end a certain kingdom shall emerge, it shall be well established; its foundations shall be unshakeable and that kingdom shall endure for ever. This is that kingdom that was prophesied about. You are told the first kingdom shall come and its fame shall be spread all over and later it shall pass away. Another one shall come and grow and later

pass away. And at the end a certain kingdom shall come, it shall be established, its foundations shall be unshakeable and that kingdom shall endure for ever. This kingdom has swallowed all other kingdoms shall endure for ever. This kingdom has swallowed all other kingdoms of the world. And this kingdom is where lies the hope of all the children of God. It is this kingdom that we are looking for.

THE REIGN OF MAN IS GONE

John the baptist taught his disciples how to pray. Because of that the disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ went to Him and ask Him to teach them how to pray. And our Lord Jesus Christ taught them saying, when you want to pray, say, "Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Realise now that throughout the world, all those who are the children of God, not the children of the world, are seeking after this kingdom. Because it was meant that God shall come and rule by Himself. We are fed-up with the reign of man, and that of the angel, and that of the spirit, and that of the devil, and animals, and that of the trees.. And now is the reign of the Father. It is the time for the Holy spirit to rule. It is the time for God to come down and rule by Himself. The rulership of man and that of angel is worthless. The wisdom of man is useless. The kingdom of this world does not avail any thing it is useless.

THE GLORY OF CHRIST IS FROM GOD.

You have heard it from the scripture that when our Lord Jesus Christ was born Ceaser Augustus was there as the king. There were many other high priests. Many other governors, emperors and kings also existed - like Caiaphas, and Herod, and Pontius Pilate and the rest of them. Upon their fames and influences during that era, have you heard their names mentioned by any person today? It is the name; "Our Lord Jesus Christ the which has spread like wild fire to all nooks and corners of the world today. That is why He declared; I do not receive glory from any man, and I do not seek for any glory except from the hands of the Father. Our Lord Jesus Christ did not seek for the glory of man. He sought for God's glory. He sought that He be glorified by God. That was why when He was to be crowned as the King, He took to his heels. He went into hiding that He may not be crowned. He did not seek for the kingship of this world is temporal. He sought for the glory of God and the kingship of God because such is eternal. And the scripture says, how would you believe in God, you who seek glory from the hands of man? In the secular arrangement in the morning you are crowned, and the in the evening you are dethroned. In the evening as far as the worldly system is concern of you are made a king but in the night you are no more.

But the kingship of God is not like that. This explains why our Lord Jesus Christ said, I receive not glory from the hands of man. You are true witnesses to the fact that if the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ was from the hands of man the Isrealite would not have recognised him. They claim not to know Him. His father, his mother, his relations were not of the levitical priesthood; neither did they belong to the kingship family. Which means that nobody would have crowned Him as the king.

EVERY PERSON SEEKS AFTER THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

This goes in conformity to that statement our Lord Jesus Christ made to that Samaritan woman,. When our Lord Jesus Christ went to that Samaritan woman by the well; He told her to give Him water that He might drink. And the woman in reply said, you know that the Jews and the Samaritans have nothing in common and apart from that, what shall be used in drawing the water from the well? And our Lord Jesus Christ said, is you were to know who is requesting water from you, you will give it to him. because he has a living water which he shall give to you, and you shall thirst no longer. And the Samaritan woman on hearing that dropped her container and moved to Christ. She said to him that she has been coming to draw water from the well everyday, and that if Christ could give her water which she shall thirst no longer that she wants such water. She clung to Christ to give her the living water. There is no person who does not seek after this kingdom. If you do not look for this kingdom I am looking seriously for it . Brethren, you can now realise that every person seeks after this kingdom. Every person is looking for what shall not change and what is eternal. That is why Christ passed through Paul and said many things.

ABRAHAM WANDERS TO A STRANGE LAND AT SEVENTY-FIVE

Abraham agreed to move out of his birth place to where he will have his own city. The children of God are looking for a city of their own. At seventy - five years old, Abraham was instructed by God to leave his land of birth and wander to a strange land which His promise will be made fulfilled in him. And so at seventy-five years old you can imagine Abraham leaving his land of birth He left his birth place and wandered to a strange land He did not steal. He did not commit any evil act, but he left his riches and all his riches and all his wealth, because of his search for a place where God will rule supremely over us where God's promise will be made fulfilled in Him. But today you find yourself engaged in one act of trade or another; in farming, and you have business ventures etc. What you own is what God does not rule over. You want to be in a nation of your own is what God Himself remains the ruler for eternity. Psalm 127 says, except the Lord builds the house the builder labours

but/in vain; and except the Lord watches over the city, he that waketh does that in vain. All of us seek after a city of our own. We look for a nation of our own whereby God rules over.

THIS KINGDOM IS THE HOPE OF ALL THE CHILDREN OF GOD.

It is against this background you and I have been enjoined to set our affections on things above, and not on things on the earth. It is pertinent we should seek after spiritual things, things of God, things above, not things on earth. A lot of people regard you and your actions as foolish, when they find that you do not drink, or eat meat and fish, or commit fornication or indulge in preparation of concoction and adultery or seek for chieftaincy titles. They will argue with you how foolish you are in your father's family that you are the next chief, why not come and be crowned? They will regard you as a demented fellow. But what has Christ told you and I? He said, except your righteousness exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and the Pharisees, ye shall not also enter. You have been told, and except your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the Scribes and the Pharisees ye shall not enter into that kingdom. This kingdom is the hope of all the Children of God. If you find somebody going naked it is for the sake of this kingdom. People were beheaded for the sake of this kingdom. Peter and other apostles were tortured and killed for the sake of this kingdom. This kingdom does not consist in money, or wife, or husband, or children, or house, or wealth, or riches, or any carnal things. The kingdom is the hope of all the children of God.

MOSES AND PAUL SUFFERED FOR THE SAKE OF THIS KINGDOM.

Remember that the first daughter of Pharaoh adopted Moses. And Moses was accepted as the son of King Pharaoh, who could have succeeded him (Pharaoh) after his death. But what could have caused Moses to leave the land of Egypt and wander to a strange land. It was for the sake of this kingdom that he fled from the palace. He forgot completely about what he will become. He suffered many things for the sake of this kingdom. We are all seeking for this kingdom. You have to seek for it. But the facts remain that if this kingdom is not revealed unto you by God, you will ever be eluded of same. Because this kingdom is not that which somebody will tell you lo, it is there, or lo, it is here, or lo, it is inside a secret chamber. But behold this kingdom is in your midst. What do you think would have caused Saul, who later became Paul, as a prominent lawyer to let go his law profession and stop going to court. He let go the glory of the world. He took to preaching the word of God. He suffered all things. He was not paid and he accepted to suffer. For the sake of this kingdom.

IT IS NOT EASY FOR A RICH MAN TO ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

When people begin to argue that it is only those who are poor that go to brotherhood to become rich. or that those who are sick go so that they could be cured. This is not true. Don't you remember that rich man who went to Christ and asked, master, what is the commandment that should be observed? Christ told him, honour your father and your mother, thou shall not steal, thou shall not commit fornication, thou shall not commit adultery, thou shall not steal. The man said he had accomplished all these. And he asked, what is left to be done. And Christ told him, you were lacking one thing. If you want to be perfect go and sell all what you own and distribute them to the poor and come and follow me, and you shall be rich in heaven. Because he was a rich man, and loved the things of this world, he was sorrowful and left without coming back. This is why he said, how difficult it is for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God; but it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle. If this kingdom is hidden to any person, it is that person who has been blinded by the god of this earth. But for us to whom the kingdom is revealed to, we are untiringly seeking after it. You are told, set not your affection on things on the earth, but things above. And you are also told that to be carnally minded is death but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. You are a true witness to the fact that right from the second day of last week (Monday) until the first day of this week. (Sunday), we have not spoken about money, or deliberations are not centred around wealth, or motor cars, or riches, or houses, or children and all other ephemeral things. But we are talking about God's kingdom. And today you are told that you should not set your affection on things on the earth but things above you. You should at all times seek after the kingdom of God.

THE GREAT REWARD.

Remember when Peter asked our Lord Jesus Christ, "Master we who have forsaken all these things to follow after you, what shall be our reward?" and Christ said to him, during the age of regeneration, when the Son of man shall sit on the throne of his Father's glory, all of you who followed after me will sit on twelve thrones and Judging the twelve Tribes of Isreal; whoever forsake land, or house, or wife, or children, and other things shall be given a hundred fold and he shall inherit eternal life in addition to that It is for the sake of this kingdom that all the children of God do not think of any mundane things The world passeth away with its lust and affections. But the kingdom of God alone shall endure. Jehovah God and His Christ has come to rule and He shall rule forever and ever. And Christ told them, whoever wants to follow me let him carry his cross and follow after me. What shall it profit a man to gain the world and losť his soul. What can somebody give as

recompense for his soul. And he said, if you deny me before the people of this adulterous generation, I will deny you before my Father and His angels. It is pitiable to note that a great many of you here and even those outside do not have need for this kingdom. If you were to seek after this kingdom you will not set your affections on things on the earth.

ONLY THE CHILDREN OF GOD CAN EMBRACE THIS KINGDOM.

At the end of every preaching He said those who have ears let them hear. Who are those that have ears to hear? They are those whom God had revealed this kingdom to. And they do not set their affections on things on the earth. They have nothing to do with the things of the world. They don't seek after the positions or glory of the world. It is very simple for those to whom God has revealed this kingdom to. Because they have no problem in embracing it. And there is nothing that can obstruct them from embracing this kingdom. Money, clothing, wealth, children wife, husband house, and landed property do not hinder the children of God from embracing the kingdom. And they have no occasion of stumbling in their ways. They walk boldly to any where they go. That is the narrow path you have been hearing when you are told to walk along the narrow path. The narrow path leads to God's kingdom. The wide path leads to perdition. Those who perceive the narrow path are not many. An so brethren, I shall not be tedious unto you, let our first lesson be read.

FIRST LESSON COLOSSIANS 3 : 2

**"Set your affections on things
above, not on things on the
earth".**

THE PATRIARCHS OF OLD WERE ELUDED OF THIS KINGDOM.

Our discussion centres around this point. You are told to set your affections on things above and not on things on the earth. Because the things on the earth are unprofitable. Let us think about the things of God's kingdom, and about that of Jehovah God and His Christ. Let us think about His reign and rulership, His glory and the promise he had made for us. Because our Lord Jesus Christ had said, heaven and earth shall pass away but not a single word of mine shall pass away until it is fulfilled. Abraham hoped for this kingdom but he did not enter. Isaac did not enter into this kingdom but he hoped for it. Jacob, and Moses, and John the baptist and the rest of them hoped for this kingdom but they did not enter into it. That is why a day like this has been set aside by God; that today when we hear His voice we should not harden our hearts.

WE ARE WAITING FOR A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH

You have heard also as written in the book of Peter, that we hope for a new heaven and a new earth, according to his promise, wherein dwelleth righteousness. Every person is awaiting the new heaven and new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness. All the mundane things are transitory. But when people begin to worry you, come so that you may be chosen as a king, or elected a president, or governor, or chief, or the head of the family and whatever they think of. Such positions are ephemeral. They are carnal. There is nothing in this world. The world is empty. We have only one Father. We have one Lord. All of us are brothers and sisters. We are all brethren. Because of this let us seek after the kingdom of God and not the kingdom of this world. You are true witnesses to what has been happening here in Nigeria day after day ever since Nigeria became a Republic.

ALL THINGS THAT WERE NOT PLANTED BY GOD SHALL BE ROOTED UP.

We should get ready to embrace God's kingdom. Because the husbandman has come to judge every person and give to every person according to his reward. As our Lord Jesus Christ had spoken when he said, leave them unto themselves for they are blind leading the blind. If a blind leads a blind they will fall into a pit. He also said, all things that are planted which were not planted by my Father shall be rooted up. God's rulership the reign of Jehovah God and His Christ is to come and it shall endure for ever. And all the things that are planted, which were not planted by God shall be rooted up and scattered. It seems that a lot of you here do not believe in these words; and the inhabitants of the world do not believe in these words. That is why you continually look for carnal things. When you read St Matthew 24, St Luke 17 and 2nd Peter 3 you will see all these things which must come to pass accordingly as spoken by God. It means that all these things are fulfilled and we have to seek for the kingdom of God.

FIRE SHALL CONSUME YOU AND YOUR EVIL WORKS.

It is said that there is no other foundation stone apart from our Lord Jesus Christ. And if you regard any other thing like gold or silver, diamond, etc. as your stepping stone fire shall be used to judge your works. What shall be used to judge the works of the inhabitants of the world is fire. And if the fire consumes your work, it shall consume you. What manner of a man are you? Because all the things you find in the world - heaven and earth, the seas, the oceans, animals and what have you, shall be consumed by fire. And who do you think you are that fire will not consume you.

You go and commit murder to get money. You commit fornication and adultery in order to get money. You go and steal in order to get money. You extort things from people, you tell lies, you indulge in preparation of concoction and diabolism in order to get money. You maim, you castigate others you are at all times ready to do any thing all in the name of getting money. But you are told that fire will consume your works, and fire will also consume you. And if it is so what does it profit you. Fire shall consume aeroplane. Fire shall consume sea-plane. Fire shall consume the seas, Because the sea is like fuel. Fire will consume everything on earth. What do you think that exist which fire shall not consume? Because our God is a consuming fire. You are true witnesses to the signs of the time. Even at America the astronuts went to the moon with the rocket. The rocket did not return. It was not seen any longer and the crew did not return also. Sometimes you are told that Aba market is set ablaze, or that one at Onitsha is set ablaze, or another one at some where is burnt down. Who do you think has been responsible for this fire outbreaks? What you acquired through stealing, or by bullying another person or by killing somebody, or deceiving somebody, or cheating God, in order that you may get them. You have now realise that within seconds, millions upon millions worth of goods you have gathered over years are consumed by fire.

WE SEEK TO ACCOMPLISH THE WILL OF GOD.

You are told to forsake all the carnal things because the time is finished. The time is at hand. There is no other time left. It is said if the owner of the house had known when the thief will come he would have kept watch. Watch in the morning, watch at 10 O'clock, watch at twelve O'clock, watch at four O'clock, watch at six O'clock, and watch at night, because he shall come when you least expected. If you watch carefully you will realise that the situation in this kingdom of God is that we do not give regard to money, we don't give regard to houses, we don't give regard to children, we don't give regard to motor cars, we don't give regard to any transitory thing at all; we don't give regard to man. But what we give regard to, is the will of God. We are at all times seeking to accomplish the will of God. Because any child, who walks circumspectly shall kill what had killed his father but the child who does not walk circumspectly, what killed his father shall kill him.

ADAM AND EVE DISOBEYED GOD.

History, sometimes is good. On the other hand it is not good. The reason why I say that history is good is that, our father, Adam, was given the order to eat of all the fruits of the trees in the garden excepting one, and that of he shall eat of the forbidden fruit he shall die. Because it is the tree of the knowledge of the good and the evil. And when the evil one (lucifer) came, he asked them. has God told you to eat of all the fruits in the garden?

And they replied, yes, he has said that but excepting the tree in the middle of the garden we should not eat of it. That the day we shall eat of the fruit of that tree we shall die. The evil one told them, you shall not die. The fact is that God does not want you to be wise as Himself. And Eve said if that is true then she must eat of it. Now, have you realise the situation of things. This explains why you are told not to set your affections on things on the earth but on things above. Because of that Eve ate of the forbidden fruit and gave her husband to eat also. They wanted to be as wise as God. And now I ask after eating of the forbidden fruit were they wise? Did they become wise as God? That is why our second lesson says, while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen, because the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal. Let our second lesson be read. Listen attentively.

SECOND LESSON: 2ND CORINTHIANS 4 :18

‘While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal’.

AS IT WAS IN THE DAYS OF NOAH, SO SHALL IT BE IN THIS AGE.

Have you heard that? The things which are seen are temporal. They shall pass away. But the kingdom of God does not come in the manner where men will say lo, there or lo, here. But behold the kingdom of God is here with us. And it shall endure for ever. You have heard and it was prophesied before now that all former things shall be destroyed and that everything shall be made a new in a new world. You have also heard that all things that do not give glory to God shall pass away and the kingdom of God has descended from above to dwell with men. It is said as it was in the days of Noah, they bought and sold they cultivated the land, they married and gave in marriage and the flood came and swept through the entire surface of the earth, so shall it be in this last generation. As it was in the days of lot. That two cities (Sodom and Gomorrah) they farm they bought and sold they ate, and drank they married and gave in marriage they build houses and did everything. But at the end fire descended from above and consume them; so shall it be in this last age. Before the sight of God one thousand years is like one day. And one day to us is a thousand years before God.

GOD IS MERCIFUL SO THAT WE MAY CHANGE FROM OUR EVIL WAYS OF LIFE.

But a thousand years before God is like a day to us. The Lord does not slack as we think in accomplishing His will. But He is longsuffering so that we may refrain from our evil ways, and that we may not perish. That is

why this time has been extended for our own good. That we should refrain from eating meat and fish, we should refrain from committing murder and fornication, and adultery, we should not backbite, or begrudge or bear malice against any person, we should not kill or hate, we should not do all the unseemly things. We should show the expression of love; and mercy and patience, we should be gentle, and meek, and humble. We have to get ourselves prepared for the kingdom of God which has arrived. Do not steal any longer if you were a thief. If you have been extorting, or indulging in preparation of concotion, or drinking, or doing anything which God forbids forgo all these behaviours so that we may be worthy in this kingdom.

IN A SHORT WHILE PEOPLE WILL GIVE UP THEIR WEALTH.

It will not be long from now you will see that wealthy people will denounce their money and forsake it completely. They will leave their money in bags and call on people to come and take. Those who have estate will forsake their estates. They will declare that people should come and take them. Then it shall be too late people will forsake their children and riches and call upon people to come and take them. The kingdom of God you have been waiting for has arrived. That is why you are told to refrain from stealing, from fornication adultery hatred and all vices. It is against this background that this Holy week and change over 'Period has been set aside so that we may change from our evil ways in order that we may qualify to come into this kingdom

AN INDIAN CAME FOR SALVATION

I have been telling you to come to 34 Ambo to see cinema for yourself. Many of you have been ordering talisman from India. But this morning an Indian testified here. He came all the way from India. He had problems of which all attempts made for such problems to be taken away at various places proved abortive. And finally he was brought here. He testified that when he arrived here all his problems and difficulties were gone. And so he has received peace now. I want you to understand that if an Indian has come all the way from India to this place to testify. What do you think about yourself? Are you not ready to receive this kingdom.?

A VILLAGE CALLED KEBRE FALL FOR BROTHERHOOD

Last week a testimony also came that there is a village in Rivers State which is called Kebre. And as events went on it rose to a climax that all the eleven chiefs were summoned by the town crier to gather at one place. The eleven chiefs gathered and moved to one brother who is called Sami and told him that he should bring them down to Calabar that they went to come and see the Holy Father. These were the same chiefs who did not want to hear

anything about brotherhood. Do you think this is a child's play. They came here last week. Because of the norms of this kingdom nobody can come into God's kingdom without being born of water and spirit. You don't walk into this kingdom without fulfilling this noble cause. These chiefs when they were told that they need to baptise before they could be worthy of this kingdom. They accepted baptism wholeheartedly. They were all baptized in spite of the fact that many of them belonged to other church denominations. Some were members of the Obon cult, the Ekpe cult, and the mermaid cult, and the rest of the cults, the Indian Baptised, yesterday. And the Father told him that he should forsake all sins. He was told to withdraw his membership from societies which he belonged. He was also told not to worship the gods he has been worshipping because over there people have different gods they are worshipping. Now he is a child of God.

MANY COULD NOT COME INTO BROTHERHOOD BECAUSE OF THE SINS THEY REFUSE TO FORSAKE

We are seeking after this kingdom. That is why you are told to refrain from preparation of concoction fornication adultery, stealing anger and hatred. You are advised to forsake the affections of this world. Because all the things you find in the world are unprofitable. Let us comply so that we may enter into this kingdom. A lot of people argue continually I would have gone to brotherhood, but they are enjoined not to eat meat and fish, not to drink not to snuff not to attend parties and discos, not to indulge in societies and cultural organisations, not to go to social gatherings not to be members of secret cults etc; Because of that let me remain where I am since all churches are the same. Let me continue to drink and eat meat fish. Remain where you are continue to eat your meat and fish and drink like a bee and do whatsoever you think you are doing. But this is the kingdom of God and we are seeking after it. We have a dictum which says, look for the black goat when it is not for you to find it

DISMISSED POLICEMEN CAME FOR BAPTISM

Many of you were here last night must have heard that policeman who testified here that he was transferred from Imo State to Akwa Ibom State. But when resume duty those who were held under custody just one minute to twelve o'clock they managed and broke the door of the custody and fled with fetters in their hands. The policemen who were on duty ran helter skelter to catch them. But it was to no avail. All of them fled and none of them was caught. When the officers came it was ordered that the policemen on duty that day be dismissed. Because this man was dismissed with others he went to brotherhood and was baptized. After baptism he came to Calabar to see the Father with his police uniform. He came along with others. When they were told to put off their police-uniform they

decried such advice, and said that they would rather come with their uniforms and see the Father. The situation now is that the Father has become their Father.

GOD'S KINGDOM DOES NOT CONSIST IN CARNAL THINGS

That is why you are told to seek after this kingdom first. This is what is meant for the entire world. It does not consist in seeking for landed property or position as royal highness or paramount ruler or seeking to become a governor, or president, or millionaire or what have you. We have a task before us and that is to seek first after the kingdom of God and its righteousness and all other things shall be added unto us, I shall not be tedious unto you. Let our golden text be read so that you may know where lies your faith. Because hitherto you have been confronted with such questions as, where is your car, where is your estate or wealth? When you say you don't have you will be ridiculed. The kingdom of God does not consist in those things. We are seeking for the kingdom of God. The kingdom of the world will pass away with its lust and affections. But we are seeking for the kingdom of God. Listen attentively and hear what is before you. Because it is against this truth that the "Holy week and change over" week has been set aside for us to observe.

GOLDEN TEXT: ST. MATHEW 6 : 33

But seek ye first the kingdom
of God, and his righteousness;
and all these things shall be
added unto you."

THE KINGDOM OF GOD SUFFERS VIOLENCE.

What says the spiritual chorus: it says the kingdom of God suffers violence, work seriously so that you may receive salvation. The Christendom seek after this kingdom. The whites seek after this kingdom. The blacks seek after this kingdom. All the children of God seek after this kingdom. There is only a monolithic kingdom which exist. The kingdom is not two. And it is this same kingdom I am seeking for. The Christ student Natural Choir will render that spiritual chorus; "The kingdom of God suffers violence work seriously so that you may be saved". And "the kingdom of this world has become the throne of God, Olumba and His Christ shall reign for ever (2 times). It is said that one stroke of the scane is sufficient to teach the wise. I am consulting my oracle with a life turtle and not a dead one. It is said when you see the dead person tears will roll down your cheeks. The leader of

different church denominations preach on the pulpit and after preaching they will tell their adherents, do what I am saying and not what I do. This is what they preach. But here is somebody who tells you to do exactly what He is doing But you have refused to hearken to this instruction given unto you. You are told that the kingdom of God suffers violence. But you continue to fiddle for the little things you find in the world.

WHY DO YOU SEEK FOR REJECTED THINGS

Have you seen me with any wrist- watch; have you seen me with rings in my fingers; have you seen me with hat on my head; have you seen me with any flamboyant dress; have you seen me with a pair of shoes or slippers? Where is the bicycle or motor car that you are told is my own; where is the house that you are told is mine? where are the properties and things that belong to me? All these things I am on top of them. I own them all. But you continue to fiddle for all these insignificant things that have been thrown away. Are you in your correct senses? Do you think you are sane at all? Why do you look for what I have rejected? If you are looking for what has been thrown away by me, who then is a fool.

POSITION OR WEALTH DOES NOT GIVE ANY PERSON ENTRY INTO THIS KINGDOM

Have you now realise your height of foolishness. Because when you request that God should give you a wife and when He gives you one nobody will see you again You pray that God should give you money and when He gives money to you, off you go and nobody sees you again. You pray that God should give you children or husband or house and when you are given you don't come back here. After getting what you request from God you stop coming here. How will you enter into this kingdom. The Christ student Natural Choir rendered in one of their Anthems how we will manage to enter into this kingdom Is this not the war which is waging so hard? That is why this week called a Holy week and change over' has been set aside so that you may be told how you will walk into the kingdom. But you refuse to come and receive these teachings, Who then is to be blamed? Whoever has money does not enter into this kingdom. Whoever has children does not enter into this kingdom. Whoever has wife, or husband, or wisdom, or whoever is a chief, or clan head, or paramount ruler, or royal highness, or king or queen does not enter into this kingdom. It is not wealth that qualifys somebody to enter into this kingdom. It is through faith one enters into this kingdom. The teachings that I give unto you, that you should refrain from eating meat and fish, from fornication, and adultery from hatred and anger from drinking and snuffing; that you should be gentle, kind, loving and humble. All these are the virtues of God that give you the qualification into

this kingdom. Apart from that you cannot come into this kingdom. You were waiting for the new heaven and new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness. That new heaven and new earth has arrived. It is only righteousness which is required in this kingdom. If you are not born again you cannot enter into this kingdom.

WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT YOU TO GAIN THE WORLD AND LOSE THIS KINGDOM?

Nicodemus went to our Lord Jesus Christ in the night to ask him how one can again entry into the kingdom of God. But Christ told him that except a man is born a—new of water and spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Whoever comes into brotherhood to look for money or wife, or house or estate or motor car etc such a person is demented. That is why you continue to steal, tell lies, cause confusion and trouble here, and scramble for feasts, just because you do not seek for this kingdom, you come in here so that you may win elections. And when it is conducted you win and after two or three years you are no more in power. In this case what are you going to do ? You come in here so that your court case might be squashed. You have come in and the Father has discharged and acquitted you. What about the other judgement? You come in here so that your sickness will be cured. And your sickness is healed. What about your state of poverty? Because you don't have money, how are you going to eat? You come in here so that God may bless you with money. And at the end money is given to you. What about entering into this kingdom? You don't have entry into it. What does it profit you to own money then? This is a mental arithmetic I am giving unto you now. Go and work it out at home and have the answer for yourself. What shall it profit you to own money, cars houses, wealth, riches and everything in the world and lose this kingdom?

OTHERS SURRENDER THEIR WEALTH FOR THE SAKE OF THIS KINGDOM.

Right now you are told tht you should not set your affections on things on the earth. But on things above. And if we set our affection on things/above, if we refrain from all sins it shall be very possible for us to enter into this kingdom of God. Where ever in the world have you heard or seen somebody get up in any of the church denominations and declare whole heartedly to work for God, or use his money to do one thing or the other to promote the work of God? But in brotherhood you have seen that somebody gets up and put up this edifice Another person gets up and build another structure for God. Another person gets up and do one thing or the other for the promotability of God's work. Go to Surulere in Lagos State and see things for yourself. A cathedral and Guest house has been erected

there by one person. The cathedral is almost as big as this hall. This is done by somebody in order that he may gain entry into this kingdom. All those who are going from place to place stealing five naira (₦5), forty naira (₦40); two thousand, or ten thousand naira respectively and even those who continue to extort money from people, I charge you to go to surulere in Lagos State, and Ibadan in Oyo State and see things for yourself. It is only one of my children who has done this. You need to go and see what he has done in Ibadan. What does he seek for? He is looking for a way he could gain entry into it. This is the violence we are talking about. And when you are asked, why are you spending such huge amount of money? You will reply, I want to gain entry into the kingdom of God.

THE KING OF KINGS AND THE HOLY QUEEN MOTHER'S VISIT TO LAGOS STATE AND GHANA RESPECTIVELY.

You have heard the testimony of that brother who arrived from Lagos few days ago; that when the king of kings, visited Lagos, nothing flap its ugly wings. The head of State and every other person keep seal lips. For the King of kings to have visited Lagos, there is peace and tranquility there. Go and see what is happening at Ghana now. Great testimonies are coming from there. Do you think this is a child's play? There is no joke in what you are seeing now. Struggle seriously so that you may gain entry into this kingdom. Right now how you and I will manage to enter into this kingdom - is the war which is waging hard. Have you forsaken sins? Have you refrain from committing fornication and adultery, have you refrain from eating fish and meat, do you give up pride, arrogance, anger, strife, stealing, and indulging in preparation concoction and diabolology? Have you refrain from taking court action against people? It is against this point that the Holy week and change over, week has been set aside so that you may be changed. The week is not observed so that you may get money or motor car. Is motor car of importance to you in this case? The Holy queen mother's visit to Ghana has caused a stir in the world. People have travelled from India, America, and all other parts of the western world influxing the country of Ghana. There is not many from Nigeria to Ghana as compared to other places. Every person is seeking for this kingdom. This kingdom suffers violence. Now there is a vision that the Holy queen Mother shall take a trip to London. The day this trip will be undertaken, it will be first of its kind. The one of London is undoubtable because the people there are anxiously waiting for such an opportunity. You have heard what happened when the youth fellowship went there. While they were there, the news of their stay was broadcast on V.O.A. everyday and their activities were also announced over the radio. But here in Nigeria such publicity would not be given brotherhood captivity. They gave a wide publicity because they were waiting for this kingdom.

THE KINGDOM REQUIRES RIGHTEOUSNESS

If you don't hold steadfast to this kingdom they will snatch it from you. And you retort, God Forbids. But this does not stop things from happening. You are eating meat and fish, you are fornicating, you are still angry. Why do you then say may God forbid this? If you are not serious it shall be taken away from you. The great patriarchs were waiting for this kingdom. You bluntly refuse to change. You always claim that you are changing gradually. Continue to change gradually until it is too late for you. What shall you speak to save yourself. You are to seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness. Righteousness constitute love, patience, mercy, humility, peace, lowliness of the heart, goodness, and all good virtues. That is all what the kingdom requires. It does not require any other thing than these virtues.

Right now, anything that is done in any part of this state and others. If brotherhood is not invited, it could not work. And so brethren what you are seeing now is the beginning of things. That is why you hear a lot of people argue, why is it that brotherhood fails? This is done so that you may be purified; Because it is said, all those who hoped on this kingdom purify themselves. Because we hope in this kingdom, we have to sanctify ourselves. This does not consist in money, or wealth or riches nor does it consist in academic wisdom, or how fluent one speaks English language. But what is required is sanctify and celibacy.

IF IT REMAINS YOU ONE SIN YOU SHALL NOT ENTER INTO IT.

You are told to be blameless and spotless before the sight of God. And if remains you a dot of sin you shall not enter. Ask yourself that question whether you have forsaken eating fish? If you have forsaken eating fish, forsaken snuffing and all other vices. But you are still eating meat. because of these you don't enter. What shall it profit you? Or you have forsaken meat and it remains you fish. You are still eating fish. You have forsaken fornication, anger, fastidiousness and other things. If it remains you fish you will not enter into it. What is the usefulness in doing this. You have refrain from fornication, adultery, eating meat and fish, snuffing, etc., and it remains anger. You are still infuriated. Understand that you will not enter into it what shall it profit you in this regard. You can now realise the theme of our lesson for today. It hangs on seekings after this kingdom and no other thing.

The people of the world love stealing, and diabolism, and killing, lying, deceit, craftiness, gossiping, and all the unseemly acts. But this kingdom does not admit any of these. For the sake of this kingdom of God this week, "the Holy week and change over" has been set aside so that we can change and pass into the new world. The war we are waging all these years is how we will be able to gain entry into this kingdom. Between now and the year 2,000 we are striving to gain entry into the kingdom of God. All these things shall be fulfilled before the close of this age. Because our Lord

Jesus Christ has said this generation shall not pass away until all what is written is made manifest. The people of the world argue until Christ come back. But your case is different. Because you have seen this kingdom that is why you go bare foot. You don't eat fish you don't commit fornication, you don't hate, and you have refrain from sins because you want to enter into the kingdom of God. When you drink, if you commit fornication, if you are angry, if you quarrel, you shall be ejected from this kingdom. If you do any of the unseemly things you shall not enter into this kingdom.

PENTECOSTAL CENTRES ARE SCATTERED ALL OVER THE WORLD.

From 1960 65 we had one pentecostal centres. But right now we have twenty pentecostal centres in Akwa Ibom State. We have many pentecostal centres at Lagos state and other states. If you go to other countries where brotherhood has been incorporated you will find pentecostal centres there. I am asking you, where do you expect to keep people.? It shows to you that every person was waiting for this kingdom. Shortly you will find the whites in their numbers. It shall be that before you come here the house is filled to capacity and you will stand outside and stretch out your neck to see what's happening only to note that the whites have occupied the whole house. If you make any attempt to come in here you will be debarred, and told to shut up your mouth. Then will you realise what you have been toying with.

THE WHITES ARE TROOPING INTO THIS COUNTRY BECAUSE OF THIS KINGDOM.

Right now those of you here in Nigeria, your problem is money wife husband. But those at London their problem is how they can get into this kingdom. You have been seeing how they have been flying from London to Nigeria by air to attend the pentecostal assembly. Why are they coming? It is for the sake of this kingdom. They are coming here as somebody going to the market. When the whites will be coming here it shall be a matter of aero planes trooping into this country because they want to inherit this kingdom.

And so brethren, one stroke of the cane is sufficient to teach the wise. We shall not be tedious unto you. Who ever has ears let him hear. May God bless his Holy words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER