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INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw how anointing can be carried by words of the anointed to remove the “buts” in any life or to inflict punishment on sinners. We shall now continue our study by examine two different life situations in II Kings 6. May the Lord bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. ANOINTING IS THE GREATEST INSURANCE AGAINST DISASTER

Anointing has its' own problems, but they are good problems Luke.1:37; II Kings 6:1-7. Those who solve the problems of the anointed are solving their own problems too I Kings 17:8-16; II Kings 4:8-17. Moreover, those who know the value of anointing never stay afar from the anointed because anointing is the greatest insurance against disaster Ps. 34:5; II Kings 2:2-6.

2. THE ANOINTING HAS AN UNSEEN BODYGUARD

The anointed is endowed with supernatural audio-visual powers, which frustrate the plans of the enemy II Kings 6:8-13; II Kings 5:26. This is one of the reasons why the devil respects the anointed Judges 15:11-16; Heb. 13:5-6. Moreover, anointing can make the blind see and the seeing blind II Kings 1:9-14; John 9:40-41; Acts 13:8-12; also the anointing has an unseen body guard John 1:45-50; John 14:16.

Further Readings: Matt. 8:41-45; I Sam. 22:1-2.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series we saw that the anointing can make iron swim i.e. make the impossible. We also saw that the reason why the anointed is always cool is because he can see what others cannot see; his fiery bodyguards. Today as we continue our study may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. IF YOUR WAYS PLEASE GOD YOUR ENEMIES WILL BE AT PEACE WITH YOU.

It is unusual for the devil to try to turn every situation against the anointed, II Kings 6:24-27, 30 but God always frustrates the devil's plans in fact II Kings 18:17-18, if a man's ways please the Lord Prov. 16:7; Heb. 11:6. He will cause his enemies to be at peace with him Luke 7:50; Matt. 9:22; Matt. 9:29; Rom. 3:3-4. Moreover what you receive by faith is what you get while your doubts cannot make God a liar.

2. THE WORD OF GOD WRITTEN OR SPOKEN BY HIS ANOINTED IS SETTLED

God can use anybody to achieve his purpose and to bring his word to pass II Kings 5:1-4; II Sam. 17:1-4. He controls both the seen and unseen forces to bless one and curse another with them I Sam. 24:24-42; II Sam. 17:27-29, He will not let his Word written or spoken by his anointed fall to the ground I Kings 17:8-16; II Chro. 20:22-25; Isa. 55:10-11.

Further Readings: Exo. 3:5; Matt. 21:21; Heb. 3:18-19; Isa. 55:12-13.

INTRODUCTION:

For weeks past we had been looking at the life and ministry of Elisha as a case study in double anointing. In this concluding part of the series, we wish to look at the death of Elisha and the lessons we can learn from it. May the Lord bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THE SECURITY OF A NATION IS ACTUALLY IN THE HANDS OF THE ANOINTED WITHIN THAT NATION

Any child of God, anointed or not, can go home to heaven in either of two ways; by rapture or sleeping in the Lord II Kings 13:14-21; I Thess. 4:13-17; II Kings 2:11; Deut. 34:1-8. But as long as the anointed lives, his personal bodyguard will ensure the security of his nation II Cor. 4:7; Psalm 34:7; Psalm 68:17. And any ruler who cooperates fully with the anointed in his domain will have a successful reign II Chro. 20:1-24; I Sam. 13:8-14; I Sam. 15:22-28.

2. THE MINISTRY OF THE ANOINTED NEVER ENDS.

The usefulness of the anointed does not end with his earthly life. Infact once anointed, they remain useful for all eternity. Matt. 17:1-3; Rev. 11:1-2; II Kings 2:13-15; II Kings 2:9-12; Acts 10:38; John 14:12.

Further Readings: Gen. 5:24; II Tim. 4:6; II Chr. 32:7; Ps. 55:18.

INTRODUCTION:

An Idolatry is not an occasional sin. It is something that rules us, and makes us its slave. Christ doesn't personally destroy the sin of idolatry and self within us. Rather, He points to them. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus mighty Name. Amen.

1. THE IDOL OF LUST

Sin committed in the sanctuary and outside it will be punished. Exodus 25: 1-13, Exo. 34: 12-14; II Thess. 2: 3-4; Rom. 6: 23. There should be no relationship with the ungodly. Disobedience to God's word will bring sudden destruction. God will only make covenant of peace with any one who would destroy the idol II Cor. 6: 16-17 James. 1: 15; Isaiah 52: 11; Pro. 29: 1, I Cor. 5: 11-13; II Chr. 36: 15-16; Mal. 2: 4-5.

Further Reading: Psalm. 106: 30

INTRODUCTION:

When God shows us an idol within us, we must demolish it completely. We can not secretly harbor the slightest intention of ever using the idol again. Today we want to sturdy about the idol of rebellion and pride. May the Lord bless us, as we study at His feet in Jesus most powerful name. Amen.

1. THE IDOL OF REBELLION AND PRIDE.

Rebellion goes hand in hand with witchcraft. It makes you to disobey God and also doubt Him Deut. 9:7; Numbers 16:28-33; 11Sam. 18:9-14; Exodus 15:24; 1 Cor. 10:10. It involves disrespect for leaders and the death penalty is different from the common death, murmuring is the danger sign Gal. 3:1; Numbers 14:9-12; It will turn God to be your enemy.

Further Reading: 1 Sam. 15:23; Gal. 5:7-8

INTRODUCTION:

The Bible teaches that there are kinds of people or “Vessels” in any great house. Some of these vessels are unto honour and some unto dishonour. II Tim. 2: 20. To be a vessel unto honour is a costly endeavour, but a very worthwhile one. As we study the life of Esther, may we find grace to become vessels unto honour for God in Jesus name. Amen.

1. THERE IS A QUEEN ONLY BECAUSE THERE IS A KING: THERE ARE CHRISTIANS ONLY BECAUSE THERE IS CHRIST

Ahasuerus reigned over a large kingdom and was very wealth Est. 1, Ps. 24: 1. But there is a king above all kings, who reigns over all and owns all Ps. 19: 1-3; Hag. 2: 8; Isa. 55: 1. His name is Jesus Christ. Queen Vashti was free to enjoy as much as she wanted provided she remembered that she was queen because she belonged to a king Rev. 19: 7-9; Ps. 34: 10; John 10: 10; Ph. 4: 13, 19. Every Christian is free to alive life more abundant provided he/she puts Christ first John 15: 5; Dan. 4: 28-33.

2. WATCH AND PRAY

We must realize that all gifts are from God and are to be used for Him James. 1: 17; John 3: 27; Rom. 13: 7. Consequently, we must always have time for God because honour must be given to Him unto whom honour is due Ph. 2: 9-10; Isa. 15: 22-28; I Sam. 16: 14; Luke 14: 11; John 15: 2; Mk. 13: 35-37; Thess. 5: 6. The enemy is also constantly looking for an opportunity to strike and displace a vessel unto honour II Tim. 4: 5. Watch and pray.

Further Reading: Rom. 12: 10; John 10: 10.

INTRODUCTION:

In the 1st part of this series, as we studied what happened to Vashti the former queen of king Ahaseurus, we saw how God wants the Christian to enjoy life to the full provided he puts God first all the time. We also saw the need to watch and pray constantly. In this second part, we are introduced to Esther proper. May God bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THERE IS NO ROOM FOR A VACUUM IN NATURE PHYSICAL OR SPIRITUAL

When one queen fell, there was soon a suggestion for a replacement. This is because there is no room for a vacuum in nature Est. 2:1-18; Matt. 12:43-45, I Sam. 16:14; Ps. 51:11; John 1:11-12; Rom. 11:11-21; Eph. 2:5; Rom. 9:15; I Pet. 5:5; I Sam. 15:22; John 15:16; Jere. 1:4-5; Isa. 49:1; Ps. 75:5-7; Matt. 23:12; Acts 15:18. Esther found grace and favour with everyone because she was humble, Obedient and submissive Heb. 13:5-6. Consequently, God who always respects the humble and is a help of the helpless promoted her Ps. 46:1-3.

2. MANY ARE CALLED, FEW ARE CHOSEN

Many virgins were invited, but only one was chosen and the chosen one was the excellent one Matt. 20:16. However, God can turn a slave to a queen and give victory to whomsoever, pleases Him I Pet. 2:9; I Cor. 9:24. that is why those who remained vessels unto honour forever are those who remained obedient to God forever I Cor. 9:24; Ps. 113:7-8; Ecc. 9:11; Deut. 8:10-14; 17-20.

Further Readings: Rom. 9:16; James 4:6

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we learnt that there is no room for a vacuum in nature, when one queen fall another one rose to take her place. We also saw that the statement of our Lord that many are called but few are chosen had always been true. Today as we study chapter 3, and 4 of the book of Esther, we begin to see some crucial characteristic of a vessel unto honour. May you be a vessel unto honour in Jesus name.

1. GOD MUST COME FIRST ALL THE TIME

There are occasions when children of God may have to disobey the orders of the Government i.e. when those orders contravene the higher orders of the King of Kings Acts 3:4; Acts 5:27-32; Exo. 1:15-21; Dan. 3:13-18. While we must give honour to whom honour is due, the one who knows the end from the beginning must have pre-eminence in all things at all times Dan. 6:7-10; Acts 15:18; Eph. 5:18; John 14:1.

2. VESSELS ARE MADE TO BE USED: TO LEAD US TO SERVE

Vessels, whether unto honours or not, are made to be used I Sam. 16:11-16; Rev. 2:10; Matt. 10:39; John 12:24-25; Mark 2:18-20. He who would lead must be willing to serve and to lay down his life if need be I Sam. 15:1-3. If a chosen vessel fails to perform, God, who has a thousand ways to solve a problem, will arrange for a substitute I Sam. 17:45-47; Jude 6:11-16; Exo. 3:7-12; John 15:16; I Kings 17:8-16; II Kings 4:11; Matt. 3:9; Matt. 19:37-40; I Sam. 2:27-31.

Further Readings: Act. 4:18-20; Jos. 1:1-6.

INTRODUCTION:

THE COUNSEL OF THE WICKED SHALL NOT STAND
After Esther had proved her submission to the king beyond all doubts, she rose up boldly against the enemy and the enemy was on his knees begging for mercy.

Est. 7, James 4:7; Isa. 54:17; Ps. 68:1; Ph. 2:10; Ps. 5:7; Pro. 11:8; Isa. 43:3-4; Ps. 7:15; Ps. 9:15-16. Within a short time, the enemy had fallen into his own pit Dan. 6:24; Ps. 37:35-36.

Further Readings: Psalm 20:7-8; Pro. 11:17.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw the counsel of the wicked against the righteous cannot stand and how instead the enemy will end up in the pit he dug for the righteous ones. As we continue our study, we find Esther and Modecai trying to undo what Haman had done. May the Lord use us to undo what satan had done to our people in Jesus name. Amen.

1. THE WEALTH OF THE WICKED SHALL BE SPENT BY THE RIGHTEOUS

The house of late Haman was transferred to Esther who put Modecai in charge Esther 8, Pro, 13:22; Pro. 12:7; in the hands of Haman now rested securely in the hands of someone who would use it for beneficial purposes Pro. 11:28; Pro. 13:21; Ps. 49:10; John 1:11-12. Jesus is the RING of the Almighty God and is the secret of the Power of the Christian Rom. 8:32; John 14:14.

2. THE VESSEL UNTO HONOUR DOES NOT LIVE FOR HIMSELF: HE LIVES TO SERVE OTHERS.

The principal concern of every vessel unto honour is the well being of his people Mark 16:17-18; Acts. 3:60B; Acts 8:5-8. That is why every believer, armed with the name of Jesus must spend his live undoing what Satan had done to his people, thereby restoring their joy Jer. 8:21-22, Rom. 8:31; I John 3:8.

Further Reading: Isa. 3:10-11; Pro. 11:31.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw how wealth of the wicked is stored up for the use of the righteous. We also discovered that JESUS is the Ring (i.e.) Power of God and we can use his Name to undo whatever Satan had done to our people and us. As we go part of this series, may the Lord confirm us as vessels unto honour into the concluding in his hands in Jesus name. Amen.

1. A VESSEL UNTO HONOUR IS A SOLDIER OF THE CROSS

The Jews led by Esther and Mordecai went about destroying their enemies ruthlessly. A vessel unto honour is not a civilian, he is called to be a soldier of the cross Est. 9:10, II Tim. 2:3-4; James 4:7. He must fight ruthlessly against Satan and his hosts I Pet. 5:8-9; Exo. 3:7-10; Matt. 28:18-20; Jos. 14:6-12; Judg. 14:5-15; Judge. 15:9-13; Judge 15:9-13; Judges 15:14-15; I Sam. 17:44-49.

2. NEVER GIVE THE DEVIL A BREATHING SPACE

The Jews did not strike at their enemies only once Isa. 54:17; II Kings 13:15-19; Judges 2:1-3; I Sam. 17:4; Jos. 11:21-22; Eph. 6:11-13. They kept striking until all the enemies were either dead or they become Jews; the vessel unto honour must never give Satan a breathing space. Keep firing I Thess. 5:16-18; Ph. 3:12-14.

Further Reading: John 16:24; I Tim. 6:12

LESSON 312

INTRODUCTION:

To overcome the battle of life we should not use the wrong sword instead, we are to use the weapons that are not carnal II Cor. 10:3-5. May the Lord bless us richly as we study at His feet in Jesus mighty name. Amen.

1. WE NEED GOD'S HELP IN TIMES OF BATTLE AND WHEN THE BATTLE IS OVER.

Many a times we fight the world battle with great inspiration, power and spiritual victory only to become carnal fleshly and defeated, when another battle arises I Sam. 21:1-15; Joshua 7:3-4; Matt. 26:40-43; John 18:10-11; Luke 18:1; Isaiah 40:31; Zech. 4:6; John 15:5; Acts. 12:5; II Cor. 1:11; Eph. 6:18. Therefore we should take heed I Thess. 5:17; I Cor. 10:11-12; Rom. 10:21; II Cor. 10:5.

2. THE END RESULT OF BACKSLIDING

When a child of God backslide's fear enters the heart and is quickly followed by confusion and depression Prov. 29:25; Psalm 27:1-3; II Sam. 1:27; Rev. 21:27. We are tempted to twist the truth and tell lies. Our testimony, may then become so blemished, that the worldly people laugh at our folly, and madness John 8:44; John 8:32; Judges 16:24-25.

Further Reading: Rom. 8:15; I Sam. 17:47.

INTRODUCTION:

Sanctification, holiness and consecration are synonymous terms, justification, deals with the quiet and condemnation of sin. Sanctification deals with power of indwelling sin.

In sanctification there is both (i) Instantaneous and (ii) Practical and progressive experience. May the Lord bless us richly as we study at His feet in Jesus most powerful Name. Amen.

1. POSITIONAL AND INSTANTANEOUS EXPERIENCE

There is a sense in which the believer is sanctified instantaneously, set apart for God and clothed in the righteousness of Christ I Cor. 1:2; II Thess. 2:1-3; John 17:17; Heb. 13:12; I Cor. 1:30; I Pet. 1:2; Acts 15:9; Rom. 4:20-24; Acts 10:15-28.

2. PRACTICAL AND PROGRESS EXPERIENCE

The believer walks with God, he becomes more and more conformed with the likeness of Christ Heb. 12:14; Gen. 39:9; Luke 23:42-43; Gen. 5:24; Heb. 11:5; II Cor. 7:1; Rom. 1:7; Matt. 5:8; Lev. 11:44. He dedicates himself to the services and worship of God Rom. 12:1-2; II Tim. 2:21; Rom. 6:22; I Cor. 6:19-20.

Further Reading: I Pet. 1:15-16; I Thess. 5:23.

THE LAW OF HARVEST

LESSON 314

INTRODUCTION:

Life time is sowing time, each of us by thought, word and deed is constantly planting for future reaping. We want to look into the rules of sowing and reaping. May the Almighty God bless us richly as we study at his feet in Jesus mighty Name. Amen.

1. RULES OF SOWING AND REAPING

Though the seed may be sown secret, the harvest can not be concealed but will be open for all to see Gal. 6: 7-8; Judges 1: 6-7; James 2: 13; I Sam. 15: 33; Rom. 2: 16; Luke 8: 17. Sometimes the fruitage may not be completely viewed in this world, a time is coming when every hidden and secret things shall be revealed in the judgement Ecc. 12: 14; II Cor. 5: 10; II Cor. 9: 6; Jere. 17: 10. There is always a time of waiting between the sowing and the reaping, but the harvest never fails Prov. 20: 12. The harvest will always be greater than that which is sown Jere. 32: 19.

Further Reading: Psalm 62: 12; II Kings 5: 26: 27.

INTRODUCTION:

Every precious thing costs money, time, energy, effort, etc. and the more precious a thing is, the more costly it is to obtain it. Without doubt the anointing that comes from God is very precious indeed. We pray that as we study tonight, God will give us the grace to pay the cost of obtaining His anointing in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. ANOINTING CANNOT BE BOUGHT WITH MONEY, YET IT COSTS.

Divine anointing only comes after genuine repentance, Godly sorrow over sin and fervent prayers Joel 2: 15-29; Acts 8: 18-23; Ps. 34: 18; Isa. 57: 15; Isa. 66: 2; Joel 2: 13; II Cor. 7: 10; I Chr. 16: 11; Ps. 65: 2; Pro. 8: 17; Isa. 8: 8; II Chr. 20: 13; Deut. 24: 5; I Cor. 7: 5. These rule does not have any exceptions: it included both children and the newly wed. if you want the anointing, you must pay the price Acts. 2: 1-4.

2. WHEN YOU MEET GOD'S CONDITIONS, HIS ANOINTING WILL FLOW

God is merciful and he will gladly release his anointing on anyone who is genuinely repentant. Any genuine seeker who is sold out to God and a life of holiness will receive from God joy, divine compassion, prosperity deliverance, preservation and anointing. Ps. 126: 5-6; Ps. 103: 13; Isa. 63: 9; Exo. 23: 25; Matt. 6: 33; Ps. 9: 1-3; I Cor. 10: 13; II Tim. 4: 18; Heb. 1: 9.

Further Readings: I Pet. 2: 9; Ps. 51: 17

ANOINTING IS FOR CONQUEST

LESSON 316

INTRODUCTION:

Last week we discussed the preparations necessary for anointing to flow freely. This week we wish to discuss the purpose of anointing and how to guard spiritual power-failure. May the Lord bless us tremendously as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. ANOINTING IS FOR CONQUEST

One of the primary purposes of anointing is for conquest I Sam. 17:34-37; Ps. 18:16-17; Ps. 63:7; Ps. 77:11; I Kings 17:17-22; I King 18:40; II Kings 2:19-22; II Cor. 1:10; II Tim. 4:17-18; II Kings 4:1-7. Anointing is given to deal with lions, physical and spiritual; to clear giant obstacles out of the way; to conquer even death and to execute deliverance from demonic influences, curse and poverty Judg. 14:5-6; John 10:10; I Pet. 5:8-9; Judge 15:14-15; Lev. 26:8; Jos. 23:10.

2. HOW TO AVOID SPIRITUAL POWER FAILURE

Like electricity, anointing can be interrupted by fuse blowing, short-circuiting, Wrong connection and disconnection II Kings 3:13-14; Jos. 7:1-5; I Sam. 16:14; Judge 16:16-20. Fortunately, each one could be prevented or rectified II Kings 3:15; Jos. 7:10-12; Jos. 7:24-25; Jos. 8:18-21; I Sam. 16:23; Judge 16:22; 28-30.

Further Readings: Eccl. 7:9; John 10:10.

THE POWER OF THE ANOINTING

LESSON 317

INTRODUCTION:

The church is to be a vehicle, the body through which a flow of life and anointing can be manifested. The anointing is the secret of deliverance the breaking down of barriers and the eliminating of sin in lives. May the Lord teach us as we study at his feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. ANOINTING IN THE WORD AND THE SPIRIT

The anointing is always associated with the spirit, the word is quickened and made powerful because of an anointing or unction Psalm 107:20; II Cor. 3:6-8; II Cor. 10:3-5; Matt. 8:8; Rom. 8:2; Hosea 4:6. The anointing can be felt spiritually, mentally, physically through one or all of these channels. Heb. 4:12; Jere. 23:29; Matt. 4:3-4; Acts 8:5-8; Acts 14:8-10; Ps. 119:33-34.

2. ANOINTING DESTROY'S THE YOKE

Christians are to rejoice in the midst of all their troubles for the yokes, that Satan will put upon them are already broken through the anointing, they should calm their possessions, because whatever the bondage may be, the anointing of Jesus is different Gen. 13:15; Isa. 10:27; Matt. 11:28-30; I Cor. 2:12; Isa. 14:25-26; Isa. 37:35-38.

Further Readings: John 6:63; Isa. 54:17.

OUR THOUGHTS AND THE GOD OF PEACE

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LESSON 318

INTRODUCTION:

The thoughts lay the wires, which presently convey the message, as you think so you are almost without it. In this study we are going to talk on two aspects: (i) The importance of thoughts and (ii) The secret of the indwelling presence of God of peace. May the Lord bless us richly as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR THOUGHTS

To bring the blessed dove to brood in the nest of our souls, our thoughts must be right. Thought is important because it has a reflex effect upon the whole character and because we naturally pursue our ideals. Phil. 4:7-8; Act. 8:19-21; Pro. 15:26; Isa. 55:6; Matt. 15:19-20; I Cor. 6:19-20; Rom. 1:28-30.

2. THE SECRET OF THE INDWELLING PRESENCE OF THE GOD OF PEACE

Allow the six angels (i.e.) True, Honest, Just, Pure, Lovely, Good report to come into your soul, give the entire control of your nature up their scene, God abides where the heart is kept free from evil thoughts Phil. 4:8; Pro. 12:19; Mal. 2:6; Deut. 25:15; Rom. 12:17; Col. 4:1; Deut. 16:20; Psalm 24:3-4; Matt. 5:8; Heb. 13:1-3.

Further Reading: Rom. 12:10; Heb. 11:1.

LESSON 319

INTRODUCTION:

Within 2 years, the first century church covered the world with the Gospel. How did they do it? Can we use the same methods or weapons today? That is the purpose of this new series. May the Lord bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THE GOSPEL REACHED THE FIRST CENTURY WORLD IN SIX STAGES

The human author of the Book of Acts is Dr. Luke and the correct title is "Acts of Apostolic men Acts 1:1-3; Luke 1:3; Acts 6:7. The name of the recipient, Theophilus, means, a lover of God. The Book of Acts shows us how the Church spread from (i) Jerusalem, to (ii) Palestine, to (iii) Antioch, to (iv) Asia Minor to (v) Europe, and finally to (iv) Rome, the headquarters of the world. So that the world was reached in six stages Acts 9:31; Acts 12:24; Acts. 16:5; Acts 28:31.

2. THERE IS A POWER SUPERIOR TO POLITICAL POWER

Whenever God promises anything, it will surely come to pass Acts. 1:4-5; Ps. 119:89; Num. 23:19; I Sam. 15:29; Acts 1:6-7. And He has promised every believer something superior to any political power; that is spiritual power, the power that the Holy Spirit alone can give Zech. 4:6; I Sam. 16:4-5; I Kings 17:1; II Kings 6:21-23; II Kings 13:14-17. You can receive that power today Acts 1:8; John 14:6; Matt. 24:35; John 14:14.

Further Readings: Acts 19:20; Ps. 119:89.

INTRODUCTION:

In the 1st part of this series, we saw how the Gospel reached the then world in 6 stages and that there is a power superior to political power. In this 2nd part we wish to examine that power more closely and take a look at another important promise of the Bible. May the Lord bless us as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. MIRACLES ARE ESSENTIAL TO EFFECTIVE EVANGELISM.

The reason why we need power from on high to witness effectively is that unbelievers must see signs and wonders to convince them of the reality of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For example, each time a miracle occurred in the early Church a lot of conversion followed.

2. THE KING IS COMING AGAIN.

The ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ was a crucial necessity for us Christians. He had to go far for several reasons Acts. 1:9-11; John 16:7; John 16:12-14; John 14:15-18; Heb. 7:22-27; I John 2:1; I Tim. 2:5; John 14:1-2. However, far more important still is the fact and certainty that He will surely come again Rev. 19:5-9; John 14:3; Acts 1:11. May we be ready when He shall come. Amen. Eph. 5:25-27; Matt. 24:40-41; Heb. 10:38-39.

THE TRUE WORSHIP

LESSON 321

INTRODUCTION:

We should understand what it is to live in the temple of worship, performing every duty as to the Lord, most of our worship is mechanical in outward posture and routine, whereas we ought to worship the Father in the Spirit & Truth John 4:24 May the Lord bless us as we study at his feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. THE ACCEPTABLE WORSHIP

True and acceptable worship can only be done in the heart and mind of a regenerated believer; God cannot accept the worship of an unsaved person Phi. 3:3; John 4:21-23; Acts. 10:4-6; I Cor. 2:14-16; I Cor. 1:18; II Cor. 3:14; Eph.4:18; Heb. 5:14; Rev. 14:7; Psalm 96:9; Matt. 4:10.

2. THE MODE OF TRUE WORSHIP

Jesus Christ should be our heart's love and praises in our worship. Believers should be conscious of what Christ did, remembrance of his atoning sacrifice, resurrection, ascension, and his priestly intercession should fill believers heart, the flesh should not be allowed to mar the sacred moments of spiritual worship. I Cor. 1:29-31, I Pet. 2:9, Ps. 9:11, Isa. 42:12, Romans 8:1-2, 5-6, I Cor. 6:15, I John 2:16.

Further Readings: Heb. 13:15, I Chr. 16:29

ACTS OF THE APOSTLE

PART 3

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LESSON 322

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we learnt that one of the reasons why we need the of the Holy Spirit is because miracle are essential to effective evangelism. Furthermore, we also learnt that probably the most important fact for all Christians is that Christ is coming again. Today, as we look at the rest of the 1st chapter of Acts, may the Lord quicken our understanding as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THERE ARE CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED IF YOU WANT DIVINE GUIDANCE

The Apostles wanted to fill the vacancy created by Judas Iscariot. But they sought guidance the wrong way and chose the wrong man. Amen Acts 1:12-26; Ps. 25:9; Isa. 30:21; Isa. 42:16; Mic. 7:8; Luke 1:78-79; Ps. 48:14; John 16:13. Anyone who wants Divine guidance must satisfy certain conditions according to the Scripture Job. 22:21-28; Prov. 4:18.

2. THERE ARE CRUCIAL LESSONS TO BE LEARNT FROM THE FALL OF JUDAS ISCARIOT

There are some crucial lessons to be learnt from the fall of Judas Iscariot. Several things led to this fall, principal among which are avarice, hypocrisy and treachery. Every Christian must flee these things in order not to end up as Judas did Matt. 26:14-15; Amos. 2:6; John 12:4-6; Ecc. 12:14; Luke 22:47-48; Pro. 26:27; Ps. 50:17-22; Ps. 49:16-20.

3. THE HOLY SPIRIT HAD BEEN ACTIVE ON EARTH BEFORE THE DAY OF PENTECOST

The Holy Spirit is God and as such He is eternal, that is He has no beginning and not ending of days. On several occasions in the Old Testament, we can see the Holy Spirit in operation. However, something very special happened on the day of Pentecost; the dispensation of the Holy Spirit began. Gen. 1:1-2; Gen. 6:1-3; Judge 13:24-15; Acts 16; Acts 7:51; Acts 28:25; John 14:15-16; I Cor. 3:16.

Further Readings: II Cor. 5:20; John 14:15-16.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series we saw the folly of choosing first and then asking the Holy Spirit to bless your choice. We also learnt a lot of lessons from the fall of Judas Iscariot. Today, as we move to the next chapter of the Book of Acts, we pray that God will bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GIVEN FOR THE HARVESTING OF SOULS

The feast of Pentecost is held from 6th to 13th of June after the harvesting of wheat Acts 2: 1-4; Acts 2: 41. This shows clearly that the Holy Spirit choose this day of Pentecost to come because the principal purpose of the Holy Spirit is to harvest souls and to separate the wheat from the tares John 16: 7-13; Exo. 32: 26-28.

2. THERE WAS A PURPOSE BEHIND THE TARRYING OF THE APOSTLES TOO

Some of the reasons why the Apostles had to tarry long in the upper room before the Holy Spirit descended on them are to have time to (i) pray (ii) repent thoroughly (iii) meditate (iv) surrender and (v) obey. II Chr. 7: 14; I John 1: 9; Rom. 13: 8; Ps. 66: 18; I Cor. 1: 20; I Cor. 1: 25; Ps. 73: 21-24; I Sam. 2: 3-4; Ps. 73: 26; I Cor. 1: 27; Ps. 73: 27-28; Rom. 6: 13; John 4: 34; Acts 5: 32; Matt. 18: 19; Jer. 29: 13.

Further Readings: Acts 1: 8; Eccl. 9: 16-17.

INTRODUCTION:

Last week we learnt that Holy Spirit was present in the Pentecost because power giving to us is to reap some soul and to separate tears from wheat. Today, as we study in the book of Acts 2: 1-4 may the Lord bless mightily in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. BODY OF CHRIST IS ONE

Jesus the head of the Church is one so also your bodies, if it is some parts belonging to the body Acts 2:1-4; Rom. 12:4-5; I Cor. 10:17; Gal. 3:28; I Cor. 1:10; Eph. 4:3; I John 4:17; Psalm 119:63. Still those who will be worthy to be part one body must be separated from some certain things because just as head is like wise is the body I Pet. 1:15-16; I Pet. 2:26; I Pet. 3:8; Phil. 1:27; Matt. 18:19.

2. DIVINE FIRE IS A SIGN REVEALING FROM ABOVE

A lot of special Divine Happening comes suddenly, because of this lesson every Christian must be prepared fully every time. When the Holy Spirit is Eternal, He came like a fire. In other to realize kind of power that is supernatural or superceded any kind which person have known or person which we have seen before. Mal. 3:1; Matt. 24:27; Act. 9:1-3; Mich. 3:8; Zech. 4:6; Psalm 50:3; Isa. 66:15; Num. 11:25; Num. 24:1-9; John 6:34; I Sam. 10:10; I Sam. 19:20; Act. 2:38.

Further Readings: Psalm 91:3; I John 1:7.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that there should be no division in the true body of Christ, that the great happening of God are always sudden and that Divine fire is always a sign of Divine presence and power. Today as we look at Acts 2:5-13, we pray that the Almighty will bless us more than ever before, in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. WHEN HEAVEN CAME DOWN, NOISE FILLED THE CITY

On the day of Pentecost, heaven came and brought its joyful noise with it. Like those in heaven, those of us who have tasted or seen the miracles of God, those who are expecting His wonders and even those who think they had lost a miracle should still shout for joy. Acts 2:5-13; Rev. 19:5-6; Rev. 19:7; Isa. 6:1-4; Rom. 8:37; Ps. 66:1-4; Jos. 6:16-20; Rom. 8:28.

2. THERE IS AN EARTHLY WINE AND A HEAVENLY WINE ALSO

Children of God are for signs and wonders to the world, especially when they are filled with the new wine of the Holy Spirit. Because just as there is an earthly wine, so also there is a heavenly wine. Ps. 71:7; Acts 3:6-10; Ps. 78:32; Dan. 6:25-27; Rev. 22:11-12; John 4:13-14; John 7:37-39; Isa. 55:1; Isa. 35:4-7.

Further Readings: Ps. 47:1; Eph. 5:18.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that when Holy Spirit came down, the joyful noise of heaven came down too. Some were amazed and some mocked. Today, as we continue our study, may the Holy Spirit fill us to overflowing in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THE HOLY SPIRIT KNOWS THE FUTURE AND CAN REVEAL IT THROUGH PROPHECY.

Paul exhorts believers to covet the gift of prophecy because he knows that is one way they could know about the future Acts 14:18; I Cor. 14:39; Jer. 1:9; II Sam. 23:2; Acts 19:6; Acts 21:11. Also, it is also one way by which they could detect false prophecies, since prophecies could come from various sources, even from evil and lying spirits I Kings 22:20-22; Isa. 8:19-20; Matt. 8:29; Acts. 16:17; Jer. 23:31-32; II Chr. 7:14; Rev. 19:10; Matt. 23:37-39. Every believer should be able to detect false prophecies promptly, particularly in the last days.

2. THE HOLY SPIRIT CAN ALSO REVEAL THE FUTURE THROUGH VISIONS AND DREAMS.

A vision is a direct illumination from God, at times given to those who are too busy to hear the small still voice of God Exo. 3:1-4; Acts 9:1-4; Jos. 5:13-65; Jud. 6:11-21; Acts. 16:22-24; Luke 1:26-38; Act. 10:9-20; Exo. 3:1-10; Acts 10:1-8; Acts 9:10-16; Isa. 6:1-5; Dan. 5:1-5; 25-30; Gen. 20:3; Gen. 11:25-32. Dreams are more gentle and subtle means of learning about the future. As in the case of prophecies, both visions and dream must be properly checked against the settled word of God. Dan. 7:1, 9-11; II Cor. 11:14; Gal. 1:9; John 15:12.

Further Reading: Jer. 23:16; Acts 16:9-20.

THE DANGER AND CURE OF BACKSLIDING

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LESSON 327

INTRODUCTION:

There is always a danger when a believer is no more interested in his Lord, because God is not happy with those who left their first love and zeal for him Rev. 2: 4-5. May the Lord bless us richly as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. DETERIORATION OF BACKSLIDING

It is possible for a saint to backslide if he is not watchful and prayerful. Sinners are better than backslider, because a backslider is like an animal and a fool. II Pet. 2:20-22; Matt. 26:40-41; II Tim. 4:10; II Tim. 2:17-19; Heb. 10:37-39; Matt. 12:43-45; Luke 11:26; Luke 12:47; Matt. 26:23-24; John 17:12; John 6:70-71; John 13:27; Pro. 26:11; Exodus 8:15.

2. HOPE OF REAL RESTORATION

God promises to heal backsliders on condition that they repent and their heart are washed. You need a contrite and humble spirit before you can restored. Jere. 3:22; 4:14; Isaiah 57:12-21; Ezekiel 18:30-32; Isa. 66:2; Isa. 57:15; John 1:9; Luke 22:31-34; James 4:7-11.

THE UPPER ROOM EXPERIENCE

LESSON 328

INTRODUCTION:

We are well aware that what we need today is not power of this world, but the power of God i.e. the Upper Room experience which is the Holy Spirit. May the Lord teach us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. STEPS TO THE UPPER ROOM EXPERIENCE

The lental worship of God, in the Old Testament shows the step (i) the trespass offerings for committed sin (ii) the sin offering for sanctification, heart purity (iii) and the glory of God upon the high priest typifying the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Lev. 8: 10-14; Lev. 6: 4-7; Acts 1: 4-8; Matt. 3: 11-12; John 14: 17; Acts 2: 1; John 17: 17; Acts 1: 12-14; Luke 24: 49.

2. THE EXPERIENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Your faith should stand in the power of God. You need the comforter to protect you from error.

I Cor. 2: 5; John 14: 26; John 16: 7; John 16: 13; Acts 2: 4-6; Acts 46: 47; James 3: 13-18.

Further Readings: Zech 4: 6; Acts 2: 39.

THE SOUL IS ETERNAL

LESSON 329

INTRODUCTION:

The soul is eternal and shall never, never die. The real us is our soul (i.e.). Man is an eternal being, that will live forever either in hell or in God's presence for ever and ever. May the Lord teach us today as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty name. Amen.

1. BODY OR THE OUTWARD MAN MORTAL

The outward-man is mortal. It was made out of the dust, given natural food to sustain it, and natural work to perform, also matrimony was instituted Rom. 8:11; Gen. 2:7; Gen. 3:19; Gen. 1:29; Gen. 2:15; Gen. 2:24; Matt. 19:5; The body is our earthly house.

I Cor. 6:16-18; Mark 10:7; II Pet. 1:13-14; II Cor. 5:1.

2. SOUL OR THE INWARD IMMORTAL

We shall be like angels after the resurrection. No marriage, no death; our inward man is renewed day by day, no body can kill the soul. The soul of the ancient prophetess are still living I Cor. 15:53; Luke 20:35-36; II Cor. 4:16; Rom. 12:2; Matt. 10:28; James 4:12; Matt. 22:32; Deut. 34:5-16; Matt. 17:1-3; Acts 7:59; II Cor. 5:8; John 17:24. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. There is punishment from the souls that sinneth. Ezekiel 18:4; Luke 16:23-31; Eccl. 12:7; John 5:24-29.

Further Readings: Rev. 20:15; Gen. 1:27-28.

SELF EXAMINATION

LESSON 330

INTRODUCTION:

We ought not to stay till day of temptation. Before the time, we ought to prepare and examine it by ourselves. What is the reason for examining ourselves? Area to examine we will expose in this topic, may the Lord bless us as we study under His feet in Jesus Mighty name. Amen.

1. WHAT ARE THE REASON OF EXAMINATIONS GOD

In assurance, To know whether we measure to God's standard. If not so, for us to judge ourselves and bring back to married what is not normal and also have assurance of being in faith. II Cor. 11:28-32; I Cor. 13:5; II Cor. 4:10-11; Gal. 2:20; Jere. 3:40; Ps. 1:19-50; Jere. 24:7; Hosea 6:1.

2. SOME AREAS TO EXAMINE

Is Holiness life living. Is prayer a problem or blessing. Did you have companion or condolence for sinner who is going to hell? Heb. 12:14; Acts 17:28-31; Acts 20:31; Matt. 26:41; Gen. 32:26-28; Mark 16:15; Act. 13:7-12; Jer. 7:23; Rom. 2:3; Deut. 11:8-9; Luke 16:10-12; I Sam. 3:9-10; Acts 27:23-25. Did you obey the Lord in all area of your lives? How faithful are you, did you hear a voice from the Lord? Do you normally give thanks? Rom. 1:21; Acts 12:23.

Further Readings: Matt. 5:8; Gal. 6:4.

ELISHA: A STUDY IN DOUBLE ANOINTING

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LESSON 331

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that the anointing can make iron swim i.e. Make the impossible possible. We also saw that the reason why the anointed is always cool is because he can see what others cannot see his fiery bodyguards. Today as we continue our study may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. IF YOUR WAYS PLEASES GOD, YOUR ENEMIES WILL BE AT PEACE WITH YOU.

It is usual for the devil to try turn every situation against the anointed but God always frustrates the devil's plans and make the enemies to be at peace with him. Moreover, what you receive by faith is what you get while your doubts cannot make God a liar. II Kings 6:24-27:30; I Kings 12:17-18; Ex 2:5-10; Pro.16:17; Luke 7:50; Matt 9:22; Matt 21:21; Heb 10:35-39; Heb 11:6; Heb 3:19-19.

2. THE SWORD OF GOD WRITTEN OR SPOKEN BY HIS ANOINTED IS SETTLED.

God can use anybody to achieve His purpose and to bring His word to pass II Kings 5:1-4; I Kings 17:8-16; I Sam 21:24-42; II Sam 17:10-14, He controls both the seen and unseen forces to bless one curse another with them II Sam 17:27-29; II Chr.20:22-25; Isa55:12-13. He will not let His word written or spoken by His anointed fall to the ground.

Further Readings: Rom 3:3-4; Isa.55:10-11

THE DANGER OF FALLING INTO SIN

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LESSON 332

INTRODUCTION:

It is far worse to sin after receiving Christ's Salvation, than to sin before knowing the power of God to deliver us from sin. In this study we shall talk on: (i) the cause of sin, (ii) The inevitable punishment of sin. May the Lord teach us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty name. Amen.

1. THE CAUSE OF FALLING INTO SIN

Through the tempter i.e. The devil, pride leads to disobedience, Satan is standing against you, lack of knowledge about what is called sin. IChr.21:1-4; IIChr. 11:3; Gen.3:4; Matt.4:3; Pro. 13:10; Pro. 11:2, Isaiah 50:8; Rom. 10:3; Eph. 4:18.

2. THE INEVITABLE PUNISHMENT OF SIN

God punishes sinners whether it is the king, his most anointed, the poorest servant, because God uses you does not mean God will permit you to sin. When one backslides He often has to pay very dearly for his sin, even though he repents. Rom. 6:23; James 1:15; Acts 10:34-35; Ezek. 33:13-16; Matt. 7:21; Joshua 7:24-25; II Kings 5:26-27; II Sam. 12:7-10.

THE CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

LESSON 333

INTRODUCTION:

To achieve the crown of righteousness, you must abide with certain conditions, i.e. (i) Fighting a good fight, (ii) Course must be completed and (iii) Keeping the faith. May the Lord teach us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. HOW TO WIN THE CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

The Christian should contend for his faith in Christ, the weapons for the faith is made available, the course must be completed, i.e. preaching the gospel and living to please Jesus II Tim. 4:7-8, Jude 3, Daniel 3:16-18; Eph. 6:10-13; I Thess. 5:17; Rev. 12:11. The battle continues, therefore, faith must be kept in order to overcome, and there should be no compromise. I Sam. 17:37; Acts 1:8; 16:17-18; Ps. 40:9-10; Matt. 5:14; Rom. 2:1; Rom. 8:37-39; Rom. 6:1-2; Matt. 24:12.

Further Readings: II Cor. 6:14-17; Rev. 2:11.

INTRODUCTION:

We have discussed about visions, dreams and prophesies inspired by the Holy Spirit. Today we wish to continue our study of the Book of Acts by looking at Acts 2: 17-21. May the Lord bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THERE ARE SOME DAYS THAT ARE GOOD WHILE OTHERS ARE BAD:

A notable day is unforgettable. It is either one of great joy or sorrow. There had been many such days in the scriptures beginning from the time of Adam till the New Testament days. Acts 2:17-21; Gen. 3:22-24; Gen. 27:30-34; Gen. 7:13-16; Exo. 15:1-11; I Sam. 16:10-13; II Kings 2:9-15; II Kings 5:20-27; Dan. 4:31-34; Luke 2:d25-32

2. THE NOTABLE DAY OF THE LORD WILL SURPASS THEM ALL

The notable day of the Lord will surpass the other previous notable days because (i) it will affect the whole world (ii) it will be a day of final revelation and separation (iii) it will be a way of eternal joy for some and eternal sorrow for others (iv) it is the day when night will meet day, etc. Rev. 1:7; Isa. 21:11-12; Matt. 27:22; Acts 1:10-12; Dan. 7:9-10; 13-14; Zec. 14:4.

Further Readings: Mal. 4:1-3; Matt. 25:31-32.

INTRODUCTION:

Joy and sorrow. Particularly we explain that the day of recording of the Lord will be a day of eternal joy likewise it be a day of eternal sorrow for other people. Today we pray that God will bless us as we continue in this lesson in Jesus Name.

WHO IS JESUS

God will establish a kingdom in the world Gen. 3: 15; Gen. 9: 1-3; Gen. 15: 1-4. Who will be the king? God announced or informed us in the Garden of Eden through Shem, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob Gen. 17: 18-21; Gen. 22: 15-18; Gen. 26: 19-24; Gen. 28: 10-15. After that Jacob bare twelve children. Which of them among the twelve that will take up the throne? And what is the reason?

Further Readings: Gen. 12: 1-3; Acts 2: 22-36.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we traced the history of our Lord Jesus Christ from Adam to Joseph and Mary. We saw clearly why He is properly, "the son of David". Today, we wish to look at the effect of Peter's first sermon after Pentecost on the hearer and what followed. May the Lord Jesus bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. CHRISTIANITY IS A MATTER OF THE HEART NOT OF THE INTELLECT.

It was the hearts of the hearers, not their brains, that were pricked by the sermon of Peter Acts 2: 37-47. The word of God, which is a two-edged sword, cuts at the hearts of men causing pain and Godly sorrow leading to repentance and salvation. Then there will be the joy of salvation. Then there will be the joy of salvation on earth and in heaven. Heb. 4:12; II Cor. 7:14; Isa. 55:7; Eze. 18:21; Matt. 5:4; Luke 15:7; Matt. 5:14-16.

2. GENUINE CHRISTIAN HAVE CERTAIN CHARACTERISTICS.

Genuine Christians are always steadfast in doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer. They normally share everything, visit one another and are happy people. Gal. 5:1; John 14:6; Eph. 4:14; John 15:18-19; Matt. 18:18-20; Acts 20:35; Pro. 11:25; Isa. 58:10; Luke 6:38; Neh. 8:10.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that Christianity is a religion of the heart and not of the intellect. We also saw that genuine Christians have certain peculiar characteristics. Today we want to see the Holy Spirit begin actions in a new dimension in the lives of the Apostles. May He begin actions in our own lives too in Jesus name. Amen.

1. ALL THE BEAUTIES OF GOD ARE REVEALED IN HIS HOUSE

No matter how poor a church building may be, if God's presence is there, it will be beautiful. The lame man, sitting outside the beautiful gate of the church is a type of the miseries of a sinner and the goodness of the Almighty Saviour. Acts 3:1-6; Luke 4:16; Ps. 122:1; Col. 1:16-17; Rev. 21:21-22; James 2:14-18; Ps. 51:5; Eccl. 2:26; Isa. 59:1-2; Isa. 57:20-21.

2. IF YOU HAVE JESUS, YOU HAVE EVERYTHING

Peter told the beggar that he had neither silver nor gold. But surely he had something far more precious than gold. If you have Jesus, what else can you ever need? Matt. 6:31-34; Ps. 23:1; Isa. 45:22; John 3:14-15; Ph. 4:19.

Further Readings: Matt. 11:28; Phil. 4:13.

ETERNAL JUDGEMENT

LESSON 338

INTRODUCTION:

God demands an account of the past which we must render hereafter, he demands an improvement of the present and this we must render now. In this study, we shall talk on (i) God's judgement in History (ii) Judgement of the wicked. May the Lord teach us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. GOD'S JUDGEMENT IN HISTORY

The sin of one caused the curse of God to come upon many thousands of their descendants, later God warns them that, He will hold historical judgement. Exo. 20:4-6; Jer. 32:18; Ezek. 18:1-4,20,24; Eccl. 11:3; Gen. 19:24-25; II Pet. 2:6; Ezek. 16:49; Acts 5:1-10.

2. JUDGEMENT OF THE WICKED

Every work and idle words will be judged, the sheep will be separated from the goats, the place where the wicked will be slaved. Heb. 9:27; Eccl. 12:14; Matt. 12:36-37; Matt. 25:31-46; Rev. 14:11; II Pet. 2:9; 3:7-10; Jude 14-15; Luke 19:27; Eccl. 8:11.

Further Readings: Heb. 9:27; Eze. 18:1-4.

AWAKE THOU THAT SLEEPEST

LESSON 339

INTRODUCTION:

By sleep we mean the natural state of man, the deep sleep of the soul that insensibility of his real condition. In this study we shall look into (i) The type of sleep (ii) The blessings for those who are awakened. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THE TYPES OF SLEEP

It is a state of utter darkness, full of disease, but he fancies himself in perfect health. An enemy of God who is satisfied in his sin, he is dead unto God. Eph. 5:14; Isa. 5:20-21; Matt. 6:23; Acts 26:18; Jere. 6:14; Eze. 13:9-10; II Kings 9:22; Rev. 3:15-17; Luke 13:4-5; Rom. 6:1-2; Luke 18:11-12; Matt. 23:25-28; Gen. 2:16-17; Pro. 8:36; Deut. 30:15; Matt. 26:41-43; Matt. 25:5-7; I Cor. 6:19; Amos. 6:1.

2. THE BLESSING FOR THOSE WHO ARE AWAKENED

God hath bound Himself to give thee light, you will receive the crown that fadeth not away and there shall be no more death, continuously you will be shining for your Lord. Isa. 60:1-3; John 1:5; Matt. 6:16; I Pet. 5:4; I Thess. 2:19; II Tim. 4:8; Rev. 2:11; Rev. 20:14-15; Rev. 21:8; Dan. 12:3; II Cor. 4:4

Further Readings: I Cor. 9:25.

CHRISTIAN IDENTIFICATION

LESSON 340

INTRODUCTION:

Christian identification was sealed with Holy Spirit in the Kingdom of darkness and also to be the candidate of heaven. In this lesson we will know the reason why we are sealed. May the Lord teach us as we study at His feet today in Jesus Mighty name. Amen.

1. REASON WHY WE ARE SEALED.

God want Christian to be without spot that everyone will be worthy of the Kingdom of God. He sealed them in order to show that they are His own. Sealed also talk about authority that was given to Christian. Eph. 1:13; I Pet. 1:5; Eph. 4:30; Eph. 1:14; John 18:6-9; II Cor. 1:22; II Tim. 2:19; John 10:14; Nah. 1:7; Gen. 41:42:44; Mark 16:15-18; Acts 28:3-6; Luke 10:19; Acts 3:4-8; Matt. 27:66; Rev. 20:3.

Further Readings: Nah. 1:7.

BLESSING OF OBEDIENCE

LESSON 341

INTRODUCTION:

As we all know obedience is holiness, and to receive anything from the Holy God, we must be obedient. In this study we are going to look at (i) Keeping all the Commandments (ii) The result of obedience. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. KEEPING ALL THE COMMANDMENTS

God demands perfection not almost, there is no small sin, we should be hearers and doers of the word; even in a strange country we should not defile ourselves. Deut. 11:8-9; Matt. 5:8; James 2:10-12; I John 3:4; II Cor. 10:4-5; James 1:23-25; Daniel 1:8, 11, 13, 15.

2. THE RESULT OF OBEDIENCE

Your strength will be redeemed and all the blessing of God shall come on thee. You will live long, because there will be no sickness for you and above all you will not miss heaven. Deut. 11:8-9; Ps. 27:1-3; Zech. 4:5; Is. 40:31; Is. 1:19; Deut. 28:1-4; Ps. 91:15; Eph. 5:2-3; Ex. 15:25; I Thess. 4:1-3; John 17:17; Ps. 24:3.

Further Readings: Matt. 5:48, Heb. 12:14

SELF EXAMINATION

LESSON 342

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series; we saw that all the Glory of God is revealed in His house and that if you have Jesus. You have all things. Today as we study in the second sermon on Peter after the Pentecost, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. THERE ARE TWO SIDES, GOD SIDES & MAN SIDES

The man that was healed enters the temple and praising the congregation divided into two groups Acts 3: 6-26; Ps. 100: 3-5; Acts 3: 6-26; Ps. 100: 3-5; Matt. 5: 1-6. The Apostles on one sides, and the other at the other sides. You must be one among the sides available, either you belong to God sides or man sides Mark. 16: 17-20; Eph. 4: 22-24; I John 2: 15. There is no room for Lukewarmness. James 1: 5; John 15: 5; John 15: 2; John 15: 8; John 15: 4; Col. 3: 4.

Further Readings: Rom. 12: 2; Eph. 4: 27.

STUDIES IN ACTS

PART 12

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LESSON 343

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that there are only two sides to be on: either God's or people. There is no neutral ground. Also, while the sinner has to repent, the important thing for the Christian is to yield. As we continue with our studies, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. WHENEVER THERE IS A GREAT MOVE OF GOD, THE DEVIL ALWAYS TRIES TO RESIST, BUT SATAN IS ALWAYS A LOSER.

Act 3 closed with the Church triumphantly winning souls by the thousands, healing the sick and performing miracles Acts 4:1-12; Eph. 5:12; Jere. 17:9; Ps. 57:4; Heb. 13:5; Heb. 2:10; I Pet. 3:18; Matt. 5:11-12; Deut. 20:1; Exo. 14:14; Rev. 3:4. And if there is anything the devil hates, it is to see the Church prosper. So he began a swift counter-attack. Soon, Peter and John found themselves among "lions" But the devil lost again.

2. SALVATION IS IN JESUS NAME.

The greatest Name in the whole universe is the Name JESUS. It is the name that is sufficient for all needs: physical, material and spiritual II Tim. 2:4; Rom. 13:12; Acts 4:12; I Sam. 17: 45. Moreover, there is salvation in none other than in Jesus alone.

Further Readings: Phil. 2:9-11

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series we saw the reaction of the Church Leaders to the second sermon of Peter and his wonderful statement that only Jesus can save. In this part, we wish to examine their remarkable observations about the persons of Peter and John. May God bless us richly as we study in Jesus name. Amen.

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANY TRUE CHILD OF GOD NOT TO WITNESS

When Peter finished his sermon, his accusers noted 3 things: (a) His boldness (b) His lack of formal education and (c) That he had been with Jesus Acts 4: 13-22; Deut. 31: 6; Isa. 12: 2; I Cor. 1: 25-27; Phil. 4: 13; Job. 5: 8-15; Jer. 20: 9; Amos. 3: 8. Reluctantly, they admitted that Jesus is unique. Still they asked the disciples not to preach in His name anymore. But it is impossible to silence any true, spirit-filled child of God.

Further Readings: John 7: 37-38.

LIFE AFTER FREEDOM

LESSON 345

INTRODUCTION:

God wants us to keep our freedom or else the freedom will not continue. In this study we are going to look at how to keep our freedom. May the Lord teach us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

HOW TO KEEP OUR FREEDOM.

Remember the day of your freedom and how you became free, there shall no leavened bread be eaten i.e. Sin will put poison into your system. Exo. 13:3; Deut. 5:15; Exo. 20:8; I Sam. 17:37; II Peter 1:12-15; 3:1; Gal. 5:1; John 5:14; Rom. 6:1; I John 3:8; Matt. 16:6; Luke 12:1-3; I Cor. 5:7-8; and Lev. 2:11.

Further Readings: Psalm 103:1-4.

STUDIES IN ACTS

PART 14

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LESSON 346

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw how to pray house-shaking prayers. Today, we wish to discover the secret of the power of the early church and learn a lesson from their consecration. May God bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

LOVE AND UNITY: UNBEATABLE PARTNERS

The disciples were of one heart and one soul. They were united Acts 4: 32-37; Acts 2: 1-4; Matt. 18: 19; Deut. 32: 30; Gen. 22: 1-3; Gen. 22: 15-18; I Kings 17: 8-16; Phil. 3: 76-11; II Tim. 4: 7-8; John 15: 13; John 15: 12; I John 4: 19-21. This is the secret of their power. They willingly surrendered all to God and shared all they had. This is because of the love they had, first to their common Lord and through Him, to one another. No wonder they were unstoppable.

First Readings: John 3: 16.

LESSON 347

INTRODUCTION:

The characteristics or marks of the Church are five in numbers i.e. Joy, Holiness, Truth, Mission and Unity. These should manifest in the life of every member of the church of Christ. May the Lord teach us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

1. MARKS OF THE CHURCH

Joy is the first thing we notice in the life of those who come to faith in Christ John 17:13-22; Matt. 11:28; Phil. 4:4; Rom. 14:17; John 15:11; Col. 1:13; II Cor. 7:1; Acts 15:9; Gen. 17:1; Acts 15:9; John 8:32; Hosea 4:6; Ps. 119:142, 151; Acts 1:8; Luke 10:1-2; I John 2:15-17; I Cor. 7:31; Acts 4:32:33; Acts 5:12; Rom. 15:6; II Cor. 13:11; I Pet. 3:8; I Cor. 13:1-2. They should be sanctified by the Truth, and carry out the great commission with Unity and Love.

Further Readings: I Pet. 1:15.

THE CHRISTIAN LAW OF LIBERTY

LESSON 348

INTRODUCTION:

To live a victorious Christian life, a believer must know the strategies of the enemy concerning our divine liberty. In this study we shall spell out the enemy strategy. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

ENEMY STRATEGY

Satan is not only a roaring lion, he is also a subtle snake, and every victory that the Christian won in his personal life in an invitation for a full-scale attack by the enemy Joshua 9:3-15; I Pet. 5:8; Gen. 3:15; II Cor. 11:3; Gal. 1:8; Eph. 6:13-14; Matt. 4:10-11; Gen. 3:15; I John 4:1; Jer. 29:8-9; II Tim. 3:6-7; Titus 1:10-11; John 8:44; Eph. 4:27; I Thess. 5:17; Luke 11:9-10; Isa. 40:31; Matt. 19:5; I Cor. 7:12-13, 16; II Cor. 5:14-15; John 15:5. A really committed Christian is not going to be trapped by an open front attack, the Gibsonites have crept into church life, Christian life, business and home, neglect of prayer always lead to trouble. You cannot break the alliance of marriage.

Further Readings: Eph. 6:13-14.

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Further Readings: Eph. 6:13-14.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last study in this series, we discover the secret of the early church: love and unity. Likewise we saw the joy of total separation, Today we want to notice the danger that is the something that is smaller to total separation as we continue in act of Apostle (Act. 5:1-11) may God bless us tremendously as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. IT IS VERY DANGEROUS TO SERVE GOD N HALF-HEARTED.

The story of Anania and Saphirah teach us three special lessons. Acts. 1:11; Rom. 6:12. 10:31; Joshua 11:21-22; Judges 2:1-3; I Sam. 17:4-14; II Kings 13:14-19; Heb. 10:38-39; II Tim. 4:10; Acts 12:25; Acts 13:13; Acts 15:30-40; II Tim. 4:11; Col. 4:10; I Kings 19:19-21; II Kings 2:1-15; II Kings 13:20-21.

- a. Grace is next to the privilege to commit sin.
- b. It is very dangerous to be hypocrite nor lie against the Holy Spirit.
- c. It is very dangerous to serve God half hearted. In the way that make someone prosper, through His grace that make us do something, it is impossible to serve Him with all our heart till the end.

Further Readings: Heb. 10:31.

INTRODUCTION:

Members of this church should look back and see what the Almighty God has done in the last decade; when our father in the Lord resumes office. Today we are going to praise and worship Him. May the Lord bless us, as we give Him the glory He deserves. Amen.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

God has given us victory over our Philistines, therefore we should give Him the glory with the fruits of our lips: I Samuel 7: 10-12; Heb. 13: 1; Matt. 15: 18; Joshua 7: 22-24; Acts 2: 21-23; Isaiah 48: 11; I Cor. 10: 31; Ps. 95: 6, kneeling down before our maker.

Further Readings: Psalm 48: 1-2; Exo. 15: 2

INTRODUCTION:

Can we rely on God? Is it true that He is righteous? He is faithful today as before? These are the little questions that we hope to answer as we study about the life of Joseph. May the Lord bless us as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. GOD IS FAITHFUL AT ALL TIMES

The story of Joseph resembles the story of our Lord Jesus Christ Gen. 37: 1-18; Gen. 44: 14; Deut. 7: 9; Rev. 19: 11; I Kings 8: 56; Ps. 89: 1; Ps. 105: 8; II Tes. 3: 3; I Pet. 4: 19; I Cor. 1: 9; Heb. 6: 18; Heb. 6: 11-12; II Tim. 2: 13; Heb. 2: 17; Heb. 10: 23.

In so many ways, he is the beloved of his father, he was hated and forsaken by his brothers, they lied against him and so on. But more than everything his story shows that God is faithful to everyone that is faithful to him till the end.

Further Readings: Rev. 19: 11.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we learnt that the promises of God will come to pass even it stay long and also that His promises have two meaning. Today, as we proceed in our study, may the Lord Bless us tremendously in Jesus name. Amen.

1. UNBELIEVER WORKS ARE KEPT FOR THE RIGHTEOUS

When the Israelites got to the land of Egypt God gave them the best land there Phil. 4:19. This is because, it is God who has everything, and it looks like it is in charge of sinners now. It shall be return to the righteous one day. What was true in Israel of those days is still true in Israel of nowadays in God. Gen. 47:1-12; Gen. 24:1; Prov. 13:22; Isa. 61:6; Isa. 45:3; Pro. 10:3; Pro. 11:28; Prov. 11:31; Isa. 49:23; Psalm 2:8.

2. THERE SHOULD NOT BE A CURSE WITHOUT REASON LIKEWISE THE OTHER SIDE

Jacob blessed Pharaoh, as we shall see in our coming lecture Gen. 47:18-20. The blessing comes to pass but Pharaoh has done something in order to bring the blessing to come pass. Pro. 26:2; Prov. 11:24; Pro. 11:25.

Further Readings: Gen. 27:1-4; Isa. 1:19.

INTRODUCTION:

The dreams of Joseph showed that the blessings that his father Jacob received from Isaac are being transferred to him Gen. 37:5-11; Gen. 27:22-29; I Cor. 10:23-24; Rom. 15:1-3; Rom. 14:19; I Cor. 3:9; I Cor. 13:12. Joseph was definitely in touch with God but he was insensitive to his family.

SHARE TO BLESS NOT TO BOAST

He was self-centered. We must be careful in our sharing: we must share to bless and not to boast. Even sharing must be done in love.

Further Readings: Phil. 2:4-5.

LESSON 356

INTRODUCTION:

We must always remember that we are just pilgrims on this land, we are only passing through as we move towards home. In this study we want to study the Spiritual High-Way Code, may the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

SPIRITUAL HIGH-WAY CODE

Worldliness should be avoided because everything in the world is designed to side track us from our ultimate goal. Always stay in direct communication with your guide the Holy Spirit. Heb. 12:2; Ps. 119:11; Ps. 107:20; Exodus 33:14, refuel only at His "rest stops". I Pet. 2:11-17; Ps. 39:12; I John 2:15-17; Matt. 4:8; Acts 4:31; I Kings 13:8,14; I Cor. 10:12; Matt. 14:30 Keep looking unto Jesus and study your spiritual high-way code.

Further Readings: II Tim. 3:16.

WALK IN THE PERFECT WAY OF GOD

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LESSON 357

INTRODUCTION:

When God did not walk according to our way, our decision is that it will be very good if there is quick solution, but the result of this will be problems and calamity. In this lesson, we are going to the time of God. May the Lord bless us Mightily as we study at His feet in Jesus Name. Amen.

PROBLEMS OF PATIENCE TO GOD'S TIME

Those types of children will be slaves. Children of illegal wife will do contrary to the will of God. God will choose another person very soon they will forsake God. God will choose another person very soon they will forsake God. Gen. 15: 13-14; Gen. 21: 10-12; I Sam. 13: 12; I Sam. 13: 8-13; I Sam. 8: 5-7; Eccl. 3: 1-8; Isa. 48: 8; II Cor. 5: 2; Rom. 13: 11; Eph. 5: 14-16.

Further Readings: Isa. 40: 31; Ps. 37: 5.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw how the plans of the enemy against a child of God can only push the child of God along the road to the fulfillment of God's promise. Today, we want to see how what happened to Joseph fulfilled the law of harvest in the life of Jacob. May God bless us richly as we study in Jesus name. Amen.

1. PART OF THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD IS DEMONSTRATED IN THE LAW OF HARVEST

The history of Jacob is full of deception, fraud and causing others sorrows Hos. 10;12. How the deceiver is deceived and he who caused others sorrow now had sorrow caused him, this is because the Lord who made the law of harvest is a faithful Lord. Gen. 37:29-36; Gen. 27:18-38; Gen. 30:25-43; Gal. 6:7; Job. 4:8; Hos. 8:7.

2. IT IS BECAUSE OF THE LAW OF HARVEST THAT RESTITUTION IS SO CRUCIAL

Salvation brings forgiveness of all previous sins Acts 7:57-59. However, it is restitution that uproots the evil trees planted in the time of sinful living thus preventing them from bringing forth evil fruits for harvesting. Paul's case is a classical example that the law of harvest still holds true even after conversion. Acts 26:20; Acts 8:3; Acts 9:1-2; II Cor. 11:23-27; II Cor. 12:7-9.

Further Readings: I John 1:7; II Cor. 9:6.

INTRODUCTION:

PROMOTION IS OF THE LORD: MEET HIS CONDITIONS AND HE WILL PROMOTE YOU. The Lord was with Joseph in Egypt because He led him there in the first place Ps. 1: 1-3. Potiphar was blessed because the presence of a righteous man in his house focused the attention of God on his estate. Meanwhile, Joseph obtained favour and rapid promotion because he satisfied certain conditions. If you too satisfy the conditions of the Lord, He will surely promote you because He is the promoter.

Ps. 37:24-25; Pro. 3:33; Ps. 5:12; Pro. 10:6; Pro. 28:20; Pro. 12:2; Ps. 75:6-7; Job. 17:9; II Chr. 26:3-5; II Chr. 31:20-21.

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Further Readings: Ps. 37: 25-34.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that everything that God allows is for a purpose, that sufferings always bring out the best in every person and that promotion is of the Lord. Today, as we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. ADULTERY AND FORNICATION: THE DEVIL'S NO. 1 WEAPON

Joseph was tempted sexually, as it was then, so it is now Heb. 13:4. Satan know how much God hates adultery and fornication, that is why he uses them as his number one weapon against growing Christians. Today, he has many "brothers" and "sisters" who are nothing but agents of the devil himself around. Gen. 39:7-12; Exo. 20:14; I Thess. 4:3-7; Pro. 5:15-21; Pro. 5:3-5; Pro. 6:27-29; Pro. 6:32; Eph. 5:3; I Cor. 6:9, 15-20

2. KEEP YOURSELF PURE

Joseph refused to yield to the temptress Eph. 5:27. He refused to take the sugarcoated poison. Adultery and fornication are very potent poisons. Don't take them. Keep yourself pure and unspotted. James 1:15; I Pet. 2:11; Matt. 5:22; Ps. 24:3-4; James 1:27

Further Readings: I Tim. 5:22; Matt. 5:48.

LESSON 362

INTRODUCTION:

To the successful Spiritually and secularly, we should learn how to be alone with God in prayer, may the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Name. Amen.

PRAYING-ACCORDING TO THE WILL OF GOD

We are what we are by His grace. The only thing men can do without God is to commit sin. Human beings are difficult to control. Discerning Spirit is one of the gift of the Holy Spirit Matt. 7:7. Praying to be used by God gives us greater things than our request.

I Kings 3:7-14; I Sam. 15:17; I Chr. 10:13-14; I Pet. 5:5-6; I Kings 19:14-18; Philip 4:13; Rom. 3:23; Eph. 2:1-3; Num. 20:8-12; Psalm 32:33; Deut. 1:37; I Cor. 12:10; I John 4:1-3; James 4:2-3; Jere. 33:3; John 14:14.

Further Readings: Psalm 51:5; Rom. 8:26-27

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we learnt that adultery and fornication are the devil's number one weapons against growing Christians. We also saw the need to keep yourself pure as the Lord commands. Today as we continue our study of Joseph, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. ADULTERY IS A SIN AGAINST AT LEAST (3) THREE PARTIES: GOD, YOURSELF AND YOUR NEIGHBOUR.

Joseph realized that adultery is primarily a sin against God I Cor. 6: 19-20. That is, why he said "No" to it. But adultery is more than that: it is also a sin against yourself apart from being a sin against your neighbour. No one ever benefits from adultery and fornication.

Gen. 39:7-12; I Cor. 3:16; I Cor. 6:15; I Cor. 6:18; Pro. 11:29; Luke 17:1-2; Matt. 19:19; II Cor. 11:2.

2. THERE IS A WAY OUT OF EVERY PROBLEM

God always provides a way out of every trial and temptation James 1:12. In the case of Joseph, the only way out was to flee when he was cornered by the enemy. There is a time for prayers and there is a time for action, too. I Cor. 10:13; I Cor. 6:18; II Tim. 2:22; Gen. 19:15-22; I Cor. 3:16-17; Pro. 22:14; Heb. 2:18

Further Readings: I Cor. 10:13; I Cor. 6:18.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that adultery is a sin against at least three parties: God, yourself and your neighbour. We also saw that there is a way out of every trial and temptation. Today as we continue our study. May God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. ADULTERERS AND FORNICATOR ARE DOUBLE KILLERS.

The devilish woman, like all adulterers, when she discovered that she had failed to get the soul of Joseph, she tried to get his body destroyed Pro. 6:23-26. Adulterers are automatic liars and double-killers. Stay away from them. And never you lie against your neighbour. Gen. 39:13-23; Pro. 23:26-28; Pro. 30:20; Pro. 26:28; I John 4:20-21; I John 4:8; John 17:3.

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Further Readings: Rev. 22:15.

LESSON 365

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series we discovered why adulterers are doubly dangerous. We also saw that if we wish to reach our goal, we must control our tongues. Today, as we continue our study on Joseph, may the Almighty bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. GOD'S TRAINING PROCESS CAN BE UNUSUAL AT TIMES

If you find yourself falsely accused or the motive of your actions is misunderstood, do not let that weigh you down Gen. 39:13-23; Pro. 18:13; Acts 5:41; Matt. 5:10-12; II Cor. 1:3-4. It is one of ways through which God prepares His vessels unto Honour.

2. IN THE PRIMARY SCHOOL OF GOD YOU MAY WEAR A FANCIFUL COAT; NOT SO IN HIS UNIVERSITY.

Joseph was once wearing a coat of many colours. But that was in his "primary" days. I Sam. 22:1-2. by now he was in the "university" of God and his dress was prison uniform that is God's pattern. Ask Moses, David, Elijah and Others. Joseph stuck it out with God and prospered. You be like Joseph and you will prosper too. Exo. 2:10; Exo. 3:1; I Sam. 16:22-23; I Kings 17:1; I Kings 17:2-6; Acts 8:26-29; Pro. 16:7; Ps. 106:46.

Further Readings: II Cor. 1:3-4.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that God's training process can be unusual with radical changes from the "Primary" to the "University" Level. Today, as we continue with our studies, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. SPIRITUAL GIFTS ARE BEST TRAINING IN CONFINEMENTS

The best place to train in spiritual gifts is in a place of confinement, away from earthly distractions and among a congregation of two or three Matt. 25:23. If we are not prepared to start small, we will never amount to anything for God. Gen. 40; Zech. 4:8-10; Luke 16:12; II Kings 3:11-12; II Kings 2:15; I Sam. 22:1-2; I Sam. 3:1-20.

2. TWO DREAMS, TWO INTERPRETATIONS

Two men had two dreams Rom. 14:12. The result of one's dream was restoration, that of the other was death. To God every man is unique and is dealt with accordingly. Eze. 18:4; Luke 17:34-36; John 3:20; John 7:37-38.

Further Readings: Gen. 40:23; Luke 16:12.

INTRODUCTION:

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1. TWO EXTRA YEARS OF WAITING

Many a times, we think that God is too slow for our liking Gen. 40:23; Acts. 2:1-4; Ps. 90:4; Luke 2:42-52; Luke 3:21-23; Gal. 1:15-19; Gal. 2:1; Acts 2:1-4; Luke 24:49; Exo. 3:1-10; Isa. 49:14-15; Heb. 13:5; Luke 1:5-18; Gen. 16:1-4; Gen. 21:5-7. We forget that His timing is different from ours. The chief butler forget Joseph for two full years, but God did not forget him. God will not forget you too. Just be patient.

2. JOSEPH, DREAMS AND DREAMERS

It was dreams that brought Joseph to Egypt and to prison. It looks as if it is dreams that will get him out now Gen. 18:1-14; Luke 1:26-38; I Kings 17:8-16; II Kings 4:8-17; John 5:2-9; Mark 10:46-52; Acts 3:1-8; Acts 10:1-8. One by one God brought Joseph in contact with dreamers who were to play major roles in his life. God will bring your miracles to you where you are; just be sure catch them as they come.

LIFE AFTER CONVERSION

LESSON 368

INTRODUCTION:

The character of a Christian is known by the way he lives in agreement with the standard of the Bible. May the Lord reveal Himself to us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

BELIEVER'S MOVE OF LIFE

Good conscience is the fruit of genuine conversion. Matt. 5:16. Testimony is to show what God can do; days after conversion should be lived for Christ. Gospel presentation should be done wisely.

Acts 23:1; I Tim. 3:9; John 4:16-18; Gen. 3:9-11; I Tim. 4:2; II Cor. 1:12; Acts 26:16; John 14:27; Joshua 1:5; Phil. 4:19; I Tim. 4:12; Phil 1:21; Acts 11:26; Matt. 10:16; Acts 2:36-38; Rom. 16:19.

Further Readings: Rom. 8:31.

HOUSE DIVIDED AGAINST ITSELF

LESSON 369

INTRODUCTION:

Marriage is an institute ordained by God and He is not the author of confusion. In this study we want to know the causes of division in the home. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

THE CAUSES OF DIVISION IN THE HOME

Arguments and fights make marriage unbearable Eph. 5:22-24. The sex of the baby if female, lack of courtesy in the home, the problem of in-laws, failure to many according to God's will. Mark 3:25; Pro. 27:15-16; Pro. 26:21; Matt. 19:3-4; Gen. 1:27; Mal. 2:15; I Pet. 3:5-7; Pro. 14:1; II Cor. 10:4; Jer. 1:10, Gal. 3:20; Phi. 2:5-7, Matt. 19:5; Ps. 37:5; Judg. 14:2-3; Matt. 6:26-27; Gen. 28:1-3.

Further Readings: Eph. 5:31-33.

MORE THAN CONQUERORS

LESSON 370

INTRODUCTION:

We can overcome because the devil has been overcome. It is for us to enter into the already won victory of Calvary. In this study we shall know, how to be more than conquerors. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

HOW TO BE MORE THAN CONQUERORS

Establish a good defense. Leave no room for the devil. Remain on constant watch, you cannot be too careful, take up the cross daily I Thess. 5:22. Always use the authority of the Holy Spirit to pull down strong hold built by satan.

I John 4:17; John 19:30; Eph. 4:31-32; I Pet. 5:8-9; James 4:7; Luke 9:23-24; Gal. 2:20; Luke 4:18; Acts 10:38; II Cor. 10:3-5.

Further Readings: Rom. 8:37.

THE TWO TREES

LESSON 371

INTRODUCTION:

The two trees in the Garden of Eden typify two deep principles, the divine and human, you are free to choose either the tree of life or tree of the knowledge of good and evil. May the Lord teach us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty name. Amen.

THE MEANING OF THE TWO TREES

The tree of life is God and the fruit is Jesus Christ which is life in the Spirit and absolute dependence of God. John 15:5. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil is a natural lines apart from God showing self sufficient being. Gen. 2:9; Rev. 22:2; I Cor. 15:45; John 6:57; John 6:33-35; Rom. 8:1-2; I John 3:9; I Cor. 2:13-14; II Cor. 3:5; Rom. 7:22-23; Matt. 26:56; Acts 17:28; Jos. 24:15; John 11:25.

Further Readings: Rev. 20:15

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw how Joseph had to wait two extra years in prison because God has His timetable for everything. We also saw how dreams and dreamers were gradually pushing Joseph on to his goal. Today, as we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. FROM PRISON TO PALACE: FROM BONDAGE TO DOMINION

God sent two dreams to Pharaoh but concealed the meaning Gen. 1:26-28. Because Joseph was now ready to be ruler of the world. He had learn that God is All in All at last. He had discovered that he who would have dominion must conquer himself first. Gen. 41:14-57; Rom. 8:28; Pro. 17:2; Pro. 16:32; Pro. 25:28; Gen. 3:17-19; Gen. 25:29-34; Gen. 27:30-40; II Sam. 11:2-27; II Sam. 12:1-19; II Sam. 24:1-17; II Kings 5:20-27; Acts 1:15-20.

2. THE SECRET OF SUCCESSFUL DOMINION: THE HOLY SPIRIT

The role of the Holy Spirit was clearly discerned, in the life of Joseph, by even a heathen King Rom. 8:13-14. The only way to conquer yourself is to let Holy Spirit do it for you. Gen. 41:38; Gal. 2:20; Rom. 8:1-6; II Kings 2:11.

Further Readings: Rom. 8:7-10.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw Joseph moving from prison to palace. We also learn that the secret of a successful life of dominion is the Holy Spirit. Today as we continue with our study may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL

The brothers of Joseph came bowing to him in Egypt Matt. 5:7. Joseph remembered his dreams and his brothers soon remembered that what a man sows he would reap. Sow mercy reap mercy and vice-versa.

Gen. 42; Pro. 21:13; Jam. 2:13; Ps. 109:14-16; Pro. 11:17; Lam. 3:22-23; Rom. 9:16; Eph. 2:4; Ps. 34:6; Ps. 34:17.

2. BLESSINGS BECOME A CURSE IN THE HANDS OF A SINNER

The brothers of Joseph got food and their money back too Pro. 13:21; Isa. 48:22; Ps. 73:12-19; Gen. 12:10-15. And the sight of the unexpected "fortune" filled them with fear. Even blessings become a curse in the hands of a sinner.

Further Readings: Ps. 34:16.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series we saw how the dream of Joseph are gradually moving him toward fulfillment with his brothers coming to bow down to him. As we continue our study today, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. IF YOU DO NOT WANT TROUBLE, CONTROL YOUR TONGUE

It was the talkativeness of Joseph's brother that led them deeper into trouble Prov. 21: 23. It is age-old law: if you do not want trouble in life, keep your words few: control your tongue always. A wholesome tongues is a tree of life! Gen. 43; Luke 19: 22; Pro. 15: 4; James 1: 26.

2. NOT ALL HUNGER IS BAD: THERE IS A GOOD HUNGER

It was a bad hunger that caused Jacob to release his favourite son to an uncertain future matt. 5:6; Jere. 29: 13; Ps. 42: 1; Amos 8: 11; I Cor. 14: 39; John 14: 12. But not all hunger is bad. To hunger after God and thing of God is a good thing indeed.

Further Readings: Ps. 34: 13; I Cor. 12: 31.

BLESSEDNESS OF MILLENNIUM

LESSON 375

INTRODUCTION:

The thousand years to be the duration of a personal reign of Christ from Jerusalem over the Nations of the world, immediately following His second coming. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Name. Amen.

NATURE OF THIS MESSIANIC KINGDOM

A universal theocracy Isa. 9:6-7 i.e. God's ruling through Jesus Christ, world peace, crimeless society, Christianity will be universal religion, enjoyment of divine health, life's span increased, changes in animal creation. Isa. 2:2-4; Isa. 45:22-25; Zech. 13:2; Jer. 31:33-34; Hab. 2:14; Isa. 35:6; Jer. 30:17; Isa. 33:24; Isa. 65:20; Isa. 11:6-9.

Further Readings: Matt. 25:31-46

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series we saw that not all hunger is bad and that those who hunger for righteousness will be satisfied. Today as we continue our study, may God bless us richly in Jesus name. Amen.

1. THE LION OF JUDAH HAS GIVEN HIMSELF IN YOUR PLACE

When Joseph insisted on retaining Benjamin, Judah offered himself in his place I Pet. 2:24. His great Grandson, our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lion of Judah, has given Himself for you too. May His sacrifice not be in vain over you.

2. THE ONLY VALUABLE LIFE IS THE ONE LIVED FOR CHRIST AND HUMANITY

Our Lord, the true Lion of Judah, lived and died for others. Today, His Name is not only above every other name, it is still bringing blessings to others Ph. 2:5-11; I Pet. 2:21; Rom. 15:1-4; Rom. 12:5-10. He is our example. We must follow His footsteps and live for Him and humanity.

Further Readings: Gal. 2:20; II Cor. 8:9.

ETERNAL SECURITY

LESSON 377

INTRODUCTION:

A saved man does not belong to God if he rebels and lives in sin, then if he dies in his sin, he will certainly be lost. May the Lord bless us richly as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

MAN'S PART IN HIS OWN DESTINY

God is no respecter of persons; the wages of committing and living in sin is death Eze. 18: 4. A saved man has the same power of choice as he had before he was saved. I Sam. 2:27-35; Eze. 18: 24-32; 33: 13, 18, 20, 31, Gen. 3: 17-19; Rom. 6: 23; James 1: 14-16; Rom. 6: 1-2; 12-13; Gal. 6: 7-8; James 5: 19-20; II Tim. 4: 10; Ps. 51: 12; Heb. 6: 4; Exo. 3: 6.

Further Readings: Joshua 24: 15

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw that our God is a God of purpose and that everything He does is for a purpose. Today we continue on the same theme and pray that God will bless us richly as we study in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THE PURPOSE OF GOD SHALL STAND

To fulfil His purpose, God usually chooses someone Gen. 45:4-8; Gen. 37:3-4; Gen. 37:23-27; Gen. 39:1-4; Gen. 39:20-21; Rom. 8:37; Gen. 41:39-40; Gen. 39:7-9; I Sam. 2:30; I Sam. 13:13-14. The chosen one may have problems, but God will not forsake him. He will over-come in each and every trial provided he does not offend God, he will reach the goal that God had set for him.

2. GOD CAN CHOOSE ANYONE, EVEN YOU

The chosen one does not have to be the eldest or youngest I Pet. 2:9. It could be anyone. It could be you. And if it is you, His purpose for you is clear. I Sam. 2:26; I Sam. 16:11-12; Exo. 2:1-4; John 15:16; Exo. 19:5-6.

Further Readings: Rev. 5:8-10; I John 4:4.

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INTRODUCTION:

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1. GOD'S PROMISES SHALL BE FULFILLED EVEN IF IT SEEMED DELAYED.

God promised Israel that He would bring Him up again from Egypt Gen. 50: 12-13. It took some 400 years for that promise to be fully fulfilled, but it was fulfilled. Only lack of faith can rob someone of the fulfillment of God's promise. Gen. 46; Gen. 49:29-33; Gen. 48:21; Exo.13:19; Psalm 90:4; Isa. 40:8; 1 Pet. 1:24; Heb 4:1-2.

2. SOME PROMISES OF GOD HAVE DOUBLE MEANINGS

God promised Jacob (Israel), He was speaking to him as an individual as well as a nation Matt. 16:27-28; Matt. 17:1-8; John 14:16-18; John 14:1-3; Matt. 19:30, At times some promises of God have double meanings. Both shall of course be fulfilled in their times.

Further Readings: Rev. 1:12-18

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we learnt that the promises of God will come to pass even if it stay long and also little of the promises have two meaning. Today, as we proceed in our study, may the Lord Bless us tremendously in Jesus Name Amen.

1. UNBELIEVER WORDS ARE KEPT FOR THE RIGHTEOUS

When the Israelities got to the land of Egypt God gave them the best land there Psalm 2: 8. This is because, it is God who has everything, and it looks like it is in charge of sinners for now. It shall be return to the righteous one day. What is truth in Israel of those days is still truth in Israel of nowadays in God. Gen. 47:1-12; Gen. 24: 1; Prov. 13:22; Isa. 61:6; Isa. 45:3; Pro. 10:3; Pro. 11:28; Prov. 11:31; Isa. 49:23; Isa. 1:19.

2. THERE SHOULD NOT BE A CURSE WITHOUT A REASON LIKEWISE THE OTHER SIDE

Jacob blesses Pharaoh, as we shall see in our coming lecture Gen. 27:1-4. The blessing comes to pass but Pharaoh has done something in order to bring the blessing to pass. Pro. 26:2; Gen. 14:18-20; Prov. 11:24; Pro. 11:25.

Further Readings: Phil. 4:19

LESSON 382

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we discover that Gentiles word is kept down for the faithful ones and also curse will never come without a reason. Today, as we continue in our study in Joseph may the Lord bless us Mightily in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THOSE GOD BLESS OR HIS REPRESENTATION IS BLESSED RIGHTLY.

Jacob blesses Pharaoh, mightily and thing around happen in the live of Pharaoh suddenly. In the same way, when the Lord bless Abraham, things change for him rapidly Gen. 24: 34-35. Some ancient truth is still truth till date that those that God Bless or His representative will have some experience of change to good that great mightily in their times. But there are some undoing that certain.

Gen. 47:10-13; Gen. 12:1-3; Deut. 23:5; Ps. 24:4-5; II Sam. 6:11; Exo. 23:25; Pro. 28:20; Mal. 3:10.

2. NOT ALL BLESSING DID THE BODY NEED.

There are some little blessing from God which the body needs by mere seeing them Pro. 10-:22. Victory over enemies, Mercy, successful children, joy, and so on. Take little out of this blessing.

Ps. 121:8; Isa. 1:19; Deut. 15:10; Deut. 15:6; Ps. 36:8; II Cor. 9:8; Eph. 3:20.

Further Readings: Ps. 128:1-2; Deut. 28:1-13.

RESISTING THE HOLY GHOST

LESSON 383

INTRODUCTION:

We are in the sixth dispensation; this is the time of grace and the Holy Ghost. God communicates to us through the Holy Spirit. It will be wrong of us to disobey our Teacher. May the Lord bless us richly as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

CAUSES FOR RESISTING THE HOLY GHOST

Refusing to yield to corrections and reprove, uncircumcised in heart and ears I Pet. 5:6. Pride is the demon responsible for resisting the Holy Ghost. Selfishness is another open door for the devil.

Acts 7:51; Exo. 32:7-10; Pro. 29:1; Lev. 26:41-42; II Chr. 12:6-7; Pro. 16:18; Obadia. 3 Deut. 10:16-17; Phillip. 3:3; Jer. 4:4; Act. 5:3-5; Luke 22:2-4.

Further Readings: Eph. 4:30.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we learnt that those who are blessed by God or His representative are blessed indeed. And that not all blessings are material. Today, as we continue with our studies. May God bless us richly in Jesus Name, amen.

1. SOMETHING CALLED ANOINTING: IT IS SPIRITUAL ELECTRICITY

There is something called anointing: it is spiritual electricity Acts 2: 1-4. It can make hot things cold and cold things hot. It can produce light and sound. It can cause a fire out-break. It can kill and make alive. The principal source is the Holy Spirit.

Gen. 48 Mk. 1:30-31; Matt. 8:1-3; Matt. 9:27; Mk. 7:32-35; II Kings 1:7-12.

2. INSIDE EVERY BELIEVER IS A DIVINE GENERATOR

Inside every believer is a portable divine generator that produces this spiritual electricity Mk. 16:17-18. Faith is the starter and the hands are the principal conductors Col. 1:27; I John 5:4; Acts 3:1-8.

Further Readings: I John 4:4.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series we learnt something called Anointing types of fighting Spirit and also in every believer there are trace of shrine lighting also be. Today as we proceeding in our study, may the Lord bless us Mightily in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THERE IS ACTING OF THING THAT WE CAN CHANGE AS A RESULT OF LAYING OF HANDS.

We are receiving some healing through laying of hands to the sick from the right person Mark 16: 17-18. This can be so when the faith of the victim is very weak Luke 13: 11-13. Some other things that we can derive from issue of laying of hands is that a command of laying hand also by anointing someone for the mission work, wealth, wisdom and other gift of God and so on. Luke 4: 40; Mark 6: 1-5; Num. 8: 9-11; Num. 27: 18-20; Deut. 34: 9; Acts 6: 1-6; I Tim. 4: 14; II Tim. 1: 6; I Tim. 5: 22.

2. WHEN GOD LAID HIS HAND ON YOU SOME MIGHTY THINGS HAPPEN

When God roughly lay His hand on anybody, all needs will be met in a miraculous way that is greater than human wisdom Ps. 37: 23-24. Wealth or good fortune will be in truth as it look like and in all attitudes in a live living. Ezra. 8: 18-20; Ezra 7: 5-10; II Cor. 30; 12; Ps. 104: 27-28; John 10: 27-28.

Further Readings: Mark 7: 32-35; Neh. 2: 18.

PLEASURE FOR SOME TIME

LESSON 386

INTRODUCTION:

Pleasure of sin is for sometime and does not last forever. In this study we want to know what is eternal pleasure. May the Lord bless us as we study under His feet in the mighty Name of Jesus Christ (Amen).

HOW WE CAN GET ETERNAL PLEASURE

Reject what the world can give. Your choice should be how to live with the people of God Rom. 12:2. You should know that the world of Christ is higher than the pleasure of the world, because the judgement of the Lord is certain on sin.

Heb. 11:24-26; I Tim. 5:6; I John 2:15-17; Matt. 6:24; Dan. 1:8-15; Gen. 39:7-9; Heb. 13:12-12; Gen. 19:17; Mic. 2:10, II Pet. 3:10-12.

Further Readings: Rub. 15:18; Ps. 16:11

THERE IS JOY BEFORE US

LESSON 387

INTRODUCTION:

The only expected goal that is most important for individual is the kingdom of God, which is eternal joy that is prepared before us. For us to get where our joy is, we need to do certain things. May the Lord bless us abundantly as we learn at His feet in Jesus name.

APPROACHING OUR GOAL

For us to get our goal as a believer I Cor.9:24-27, we need to lift the load and sin to one side, we should run the race with humility, by looking unto Jesus who is the author and the finisher of our faith for restoration and rebuke. Heb. 12:1-10; Col. 3:8; Eph. 4:22; Col.3:2-4; Acts 24:26; Acts 23:1; Luke 21:19; Rev.1:9; Rom.2:7 Luke 24:26; I Peter 1:11; Psalm 1:11; Psalm 23:4; Job 5:17; Psalm 94:12; Deut.8:5.

Further Readings: Heb. 6:12; Ps. 37:7

INTRODUCTION:

God was the first Tailor who clothed Adam and Eve and the purpose of clothing them is to cover their nakedness. In this study we shall know how God wants us to dress. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name.

HOW GOD WANTS US TO DRESS

The purpose of dressing should not be for pride and lust for the opposite sex and with inward adorning but according to God's will I Pet. 3:3-5; Isa. 3:16-24; Gen. 3:7;21; Deut. 22:5; I Tim. 2:9; Titus 2:10; Acts. 12:21-23; Ps. 132:8, 16; Isaiah 64:6.

Further Readings: II Tim. 4:13.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part lesson that we treated in this series, we discover that many things can be transferred through laying of hands, especially the hands of God Himself. As we continue in this lesson today, may God bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. UNSTEADINESS WILL NOT EXCEL

Those that are unsteady cannot excel because of inestablished or unsteadiness annoy God James 1:5-8. Therefore He didn't answered their prayers. Truly He didn't want His children to do anything with such a people i.e. unsteady people

Heb. 10:38-39; Pro. 24:21; II Kings 17:33; Luke 16:13; I Cor. 10:21, Luke 9:61-62; Phil. 3:13-14; II Kings 2:1-15.

2. SINNERS CANNOT HIDE FOREVER

Reuben sin against His father many years back Gen. 35:22. He thought that since His father did not do anything concerning it at that time, His sin was hidden nor kept Isa. 1:18-19. But some sin have ways to find out sinners, except those sins that have been washed away through the blood of the lamb.

Num. 32:33; Jos. 7:1 16-26; II King 5:20-27; II Sam. 12:1-10; Matt. 10:26; Mark 4:22; Pro. 26:26; Eccl. 12:13-14.

Further Readings: Heb. 4:13; Heb. 13:9.

THE BELIEVER ARE CALL TO WORSHIP

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LESSON 390

INTRODUCTION:

No one should be unuseful in the kingdom of light. God always call His own children to minister to others. In this lesson we shall examine the call of God for Moses. May the Lord bless us tremendously as we study at His feet in the mighty name of Jesus. Amen.

THERE IS NO ROOM FOR EXCUSES

When God prepared us for special duties, it is something that will not make us to fall back to excuses, because the plan of God is that where He point as way, His hands will supply all our needs Num. 23:19. Don't forget that our duties is not up the power behind us.

Matt. 16:15; Exo. 3:11-13; Ex. 4:1-10; Ex. 4:13; Rom. 11:29; Jos. 1:5; Jer. 1:5-8; John 1:42; Matt. 11:25; Rom. 4:17; Matt. 28:19-20; John 21:15-17; Matt. 20:1-16.

Further Readings: I Cor. 1:25-29

INTRODUCTION**1. DO NOT BEFRIEND AN ANGRY MAN**

Simeon and Levi did not receive any special blessings from their father Jacob because of their fierce anger and cruelty Pro. 14: 17. Cruelty pays but in very bad coins and anger is very dangerous to both the angry one and to the victim of the angry Ps. 37:8. Infact an angry man is also dangerous to his friends Eccl. 7:9. Gen. 49:5-7; Pro. 11:17; Pro. 19:11; Pro. 22:24-25.

2. YOU CAN CHANGE YOUR DESTINY

Jacob said, "I will scatter Levi in Israel" Num. 1:50. Later on, God said, "I have taken Levi for the first born of the children of Israel". What happened in between? What changed the destiny of Levi? His children. You too can change your destiny. Num. 18:3; Exo. 32:26; Ezek. 18:20-24.

Further Readings: Pro. 16:32; Num. 8:17-18.

LIVING SACRIFICE

LESSON 392

INTRODUCTION:

God will only accept a living sacrifice. This means the sacrifice without blemish because he is a living and Holy God. In this study we are going to examine the instrument/tools for a living sacrifice. May the Lord bless us richly as we study at His feet in Jesus Name Amen.

INSTRUMENTS FOR A LIVING SACRIFICE

The lifestyle and the thought of Christian must be in you and you must live a righteous and Holy life Rom. 12:1; Gen. 4:1-4; Phil. 2:5; Lev. 22:19-21; I Tim. 5:6; I John 3:8; Rom. 8:6; Gen. 17:1-2; Amos. 3:3; I Sam. 15:22-23; Gen. 22:15-18. His sacrifice must deal with the obedience and faith in God. Heb. 11:6; Rom. 4:17-21; Ps. 11:3.

Further Readings: Ps. 4:5; Isa. 1:19.

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we saw how anger is such a dangerous thing that we must not only avoid it like a plague but we must not even befriend an angry man. We also saw how the sons of Levi changed their destiny by declaring for the Lord. Today, as we continue with our study, may the Lord bless us richly in Jesus Name. Amen.

1. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST IS THE LION OF JUDAH
Judah was blessed because he was the one who rescued Joseph from his brethren and thus preserved the entire Nation of Israel II Chr. 5:2; Heb. 7:14; Rev. 5:1-6; John 1:29; Luke 1:30-33; Rev. 19:16; John 12:32; Ph. 2:9-11. And all the blessings pronounced on him find their ultimate fulfillment in our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Lion of Judah. Gen. 49:8-12; Gen. 37:26-27.

2. THE LION OF JUDAH IS WORTHY TO BE PRAISED
There are five principal categories of people that men normally praise. There are: -
 - i God John 1:1-14
 - ii A friend I John 1:7
 - iii A benefactor Ps. 103:1-3
 - iv A relation who had done the family proud and Ps. 103:4-5
 - v Someone who is undoubtedly, undeniably great Ps. 107:1-2. Jesus Christ fits into each and every category, surely the great Lion of Judah is worthy to be praised. Gen. 49:8; John 13:1; Psalm 107:8-16; Rev. 5:9-14; Ps. 104:1-5.

Further Readings: John 15:13-15; I Pet. 2:24.

BACKWARDNESS OF THE SPIRIT

LESSON 394

INTRODUCTION:

Few people jump into backwardness of the spirit and they go downward with a step once in a while. What are these steps? They are: - selfishness, proudness, using power in a clumsy ways, enjoying and self love. Saul walk in this ways and end up a failure. In this lesson we are gong to talk about the results of backsliding. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus name. Amen.

RESULTS OF BACKSLIDING

The punishment of Sin will let you fear, the electric power of God will be no vision, dream and prophecy James 1: 14-16. in as much that it will not be convenient for him to be in darkness, he will join the evil gang (evil spirit) I Sam. 28:5-19. The results of this will bring great tribulation, and he will die as a failure.

Rom. 6:23; Pro. 28:1; Jere. 6:25; Pro. 1:27-28; Pro. 1:5; Mic. 3:4; Lam. 2:9; Exo. 28:30; Deut. 18:9-12; Lev. 20:27; Isa. 48:22.

Further Readings: Job. 18: 11; Pro. 5: 11-13.

THE GREAT TRIBULATION

LESSON 395

INTRODUCTION:

Christian shall be expected from the wrath of God because the rapture of the Church is to be before the opening of the first seal. In this study we shall talk about Hell on earth for unbelievers and the Jews alike. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

HELL ON EARTH FOR UNBELIERS AND THE JEWS ALIKE

It is a visitation of the wrath of God upon those who missed the rapture Rev. 3:10. Locust shall be given power as scorpion to torment people without the seal of God Rev. 9:1-12. The shapes of the locust were like unto houses and their teeth were of the teeth of Lions. Rev. 9:6; II Pet. 2:9; Jer. 30:6-7; Luke 21:36; Rev. 6:16-17; Luke 23:30; Isaiah 13:6-7; Job. 3:21-22; Isaiah 2:19; Jer. 8:3; Joel 2:3-4; Joel 1:6; II Pet. 2:4-7; Gen. 5:24.

Further Readings: Num. 23:19; Hosea 10:8.

A SECOND CHOSEN PEOPLE

LESSON 396

INTRODUCTION:

The understanding of a Church a new holy nation" was not in the prophecies. So the old patriarchs of the Old Testament had no idea that there would be a new and living way where God would in dwell the spirits of mankind. In this we shall talk on the church a chosen generation knows her Lord.

May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty name. Amen.

THE CHURCH – A CHOSEN GENERATION KNOWS HER LORD

Not all followers of Jesus know His personality, because flesh and blood cannot reveal the truth about Him Acts 10: 44-46. He is the Chief Corner Stone, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against the Church built on this stone Isa. 54: 17; Matt. 16: 15-18; Matt. 7: 21-23; Luke 6: 46; Eph. 2: 8; I Cor. 2: 14; II Tim. 1: 9; Acts 8: 5-8; Matt. 7: 24; Eph. 2: 20; I Pet 2: 5-7; Ps. 118: 17; Ps. 9: 13; Deut. 10: 15; Isa. 62: 12; Deut. 4: 20

Further Readings: 1 Peter 2: 9-10

RENEWAL IN THE SPIRIT

LESSON 397

INTRODUCTION:

The Christian church should continue to witness a movement of renewal in the Spirit because when we rely on the Holy Spirit we get what God can do. In this study we shall talk on keeping the fire burning.

KEEPING THE FIRE BURNING

- (a) Obedience brings Spiritual renewal and there will be no Lukewarmness. II Chr. 7: 1
- (b) Few of us are big enough to become little enough to be used of God. Matt. 25: 7-10.
- (c) A new sense of sinfulness of sin leads to repentance James 4: 10
- (d) Prayerlessness is the key to spiritual death Luke 18: 1; Exo. 27: 20; Isa. 55: 2-3; Matt. 18: 3-4; I Pet. 5: 6; I Cor. 1: 26; II Cor. 7: 10; Acts 17: 30; Matt. 3: 7-10; Luke 15: 7; Isa. 40: 31; Ps. 103: 5.

Further Readings: Heb. 12: 29; I Sam. 3: 3.

HOME THAT HAS BEEN BROKEN

LESSON 398

INTRODUCTION:

Christian home supposed to be a place that is very near to heaven because we are living in God, and He Himself is dwelling in us. In this lesson we want to know the reason why we have broken home, may the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty name. Amen.

CAUSES OF BROKEN HOME

Home is a place whereby we must be shinning for the Lord, but the indirect is what is happening Gen. 3:16. Because we are unfaithful to our marriage vow, anger is something that is contrary Heb. 13:4, taking family altar for granted, and to be noticing disadvantages or mistake of his partner at all times.

I Tim. 5: 4-8; Pro. 6:26; Gen. 39:7-9; Pro. 6:27-29; 32; Pro. 5:15-18; Mal. 2:4; Pro. 21:19; Pro. 26:21; I John 2:15; Pro. 7:10-11,18,19; I Tim. 5:13; Titus 2:4; Matt. 26:41; Luke 18:1; I Cor. 13:5; Eph. 5:25; I Pet. 3:1.

Further Readings: I Thess. 5:17; Amos 3:3.

PERPETUAL JUBILEE

LESSON 399

INTRODUCTION:

Jubilee is a periodical time of blessings for the Israelites, but for every child of God, it is now permanent blessings and victory over the devil through Jesus Christ our Lord. In this study we shall look into the blessings of Jubilee. May the Lord bless us as we study at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

Believers are to resemble their father by resting, unlike the devil that is always to and fro Gen. 2:2. it is a time of jubilating for divine release from bondages and a time to possess your possession and also a time of new beginning Lev. 25:13; Job. 1:7; Matt. 11:28; Isa. 57:20; Ecc. 2:1; John 14:27; Isa. 30:15; Exo. 9:1; Acts 12:7; Isa. 61:10; John 8:3; John 8:32,36; Isa. 35:3-6; Eph. 1:14; Ps. 23; III John 2; Mark 16:17; Luke 10:19; Exo. 12:2; John 10:10; I John 1:3; Prov. 22:7; John 7:37-39.

Further Readings: Ps. 127:1; Lev. 25:11-22.

NUMBERING THE ANGEL

LESSON 400

INTRODUCTION:

If the devil has some evil Spirit that is in charge of some big cities, universities, likewise our God has some Angels that is in charge of these Angels and they helps us to stand in victory. May the Lord bless us tremendously as we stand at His feet in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE ANGELS

They are the ministers who minister to the children of God. They are more than thousands in hundred folds Heb. 1:14. We should not serve nor worship them Matt. 25:31, They give warning to peoples in the Old Testament, and they destroy evil people – Jesus is coming back with His Angels. Acts 27:23-24; Acts 12:7-10; Matt. 4:11; Luke 22:42; Dan. 6:22; II Kings 6:15-17; Ps. 34:7; Dan. 7:10; Zech. 3:7.

Further Readings: Rev. 5:11

INTRODUCTION:

In the last part of this series, we examined the blessings of Israel on some of his children. In this concluding part of the series, we wish to look at the blessings he pronounced on Joseph and the implications. May the Lord bless us richly as we study in Jesus name. Amen.

1. JOSEPH GOT THE GREATEST BLESSINGS OF ALL:
THE BLESSINGS OF THE BREASTS

Of all the blessings pronounced by Jacob on his children, he reserved the greatest for his favourite son, Joseph Gen. 49:22-26. Not only did he heap on him the blessings of heaven above and blessings of the deep beneath, he also included the blessings of the breasts, which of course Ps. 23:1-2, means the blessing of Mummy's breasts with its deep implications. Jer. 1:4-5; I Cor. 3:21-23; Matt. 6:11; John 14:14; Rom. 8:32; John 16:24; Ps. 103:1-5.

2. MUMMY'S MILK IS INEXHAUSTIBLE

The blessings of Mummy's breasts are inexhaustible Gen. 17:1. included are growth from almost nothing to a big strong man, from a baby on a bloody soaked floor to the throne, from a nobody to a channel of blessing Ph. 4:19, Everything a child needs is in the Mummy's milk. Luke 5:1-7; I Sam 2:8; II Sam. 7:18-20; John 6:5-14; Matt. 1:21; I Pet. 2:24; Ph. 4:13; John 1:4-5; I Pet. 2:2; Isa. 46:4.

Further Readings: I Peters 2: 24; Psalm 103: 1-5.